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One Earth, One Humanity, One Future festival – ONE WEEK TO GO!

Global green leaders gather to envision a brighter future

22nd-25th September at Worcester College, Oxford, OX1 2HB

Just one week to go until the One Earth, One Humanity, One Future festival - set to showcase some of the world’s most respected green and social justice speakers - from Thursday 22nd till Sunday 25th September, in the beautiful grounds of Oxford’s Worcester College.

Assembling 50-plus leading global authors, activists, artists and performers, the festival – to be held in partnership with Oxfam, UPLIFT and Network of Wellbeing - will celebrate 50 years of the UK’s longest standing environmental magazine, Resurgence (Resurgence & Ecologist since 2012), and share cutting-edge ideas and insights for building a fairer, more sustainable future.

An exciting launch event on Thursday 22nd September (7-9pm), will include a video presentation from HRH The Prince of Wales titled “A Quest for Harmony”, and talks by film maker Lord David Puttnam (‘The Planet and the People’) and Indian activist Vandana Shiva (‘Addressing the Causes of Climate Change’).

Other speaker highlights over the ensuing three days include US rapper activist Prince Ea; children’s laureate Michael Morpurgo; US biologist Dr Bruce Lipton; Dame Fiona Reynolds; Rowan Williams; poet Simon Armitage; Green MP Caroline Lucas; land artist Richard Long; Nobel Peace Prize nominee Scilla Elworthy; leading environmentalists Bill McKibben (US), Jonathon Porritt and Tony Juniper; environmental writer George Monbiot; author Paula Byrne; TV presenter and green campaigner, Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall; and veteran ‘Peace Pilgrim’ Satish Kumar, former editor-in-chief of Resurgence, who will be making a 50-mile pilgrimage to the festival, arriving in Oxford on International Day of Peace (21st September).

The outstanding line-up also includes CEOs from the UK’s leading green and social justice NGOS, including John Sauven (Greenpeace), Craig Bennett (Friends of the Earth), David Nussbaum (WWF), Helen Browning (Soil Association) and Mark Goldring (Oxfam).

Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall says: “Resurgence magazine has played a pioneering part in the environmental movement of the last five decades, leading debate on a huge range of issues and inspiring many of us to take better care of ourselves and our planet. The One Earth, One Humanity, One Future festival is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate these achievements - but also, of course, to look forward, to ask questions and to generate ideas for the next 50 years and beyond.”

Greg Neale, Editor-in-Chief of Resurgence & Ecologist magazine, says: “We are incredibly excited to see the inspired ideas, activism and arts of Resurgence come dancing to life at this landmark event, celebrating 50 years of the magazine at the forefront of environmental, social and holistic change.
“The festival programme of thought-provoking talks, stimulating debates and lively panel discussions, will be punctuated with stirring performances of poetry, music and Indian dance - all set to ignite people’s passions to take action to create a brighter future for our planet and its people. Please come join us and ‘Be the Change’ you wish to see in the world.”

For more information about the One Earth One Humanity One Future festival visit: www.resurgence.org/R50event

To view the full Resurgence 50 Press Pack visit: www.resurgence.org/R50press

Festival speakers are available for interview

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Notes to Editors

• Information about the One Earth, One Humanity, One Future festival in Oxford, 22nd-25th September – including details re programme & tickets, food & accommodation, are available on the Resurgence website: www.resurgence.org/R50event. A box office will be in operation at Worcester College throughout the event

• To mark 50 years of Resurgence, Satish Kumar will lead a 50-mile pilgrimage from the source of the Thames to Oxford en route to the festival, reaching Oxford on 21st September. To follow the pilgrimage visit www.resurgence.org/R50walk

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