Climate Soil Food Health: It's All Connected

IMA Winter Workshop Agenda Feb 21-23, 2020

Friday February 21

5:30-6:45 pm *Main School Lobby* **Registration**

7:00 - 9:00 pm School Music Room

Welcome and Public Talk

Will Brinton, The Mirror Crack'd: Climate, Soil, Food, Health

Respondent: Gidon Eshel

The mirror is broken, how do we connect climate, soil, food, and health? Exploring the nature of soils through the 12 orders of soils, geology, geography, plant life, and agriculture, this talk considers what soil is, how we study it, and whether how we work with it as farmers, gardeners, scientists, and inhabitants of Earth, connects with the health of our climate, food, and selves.

- Audience Q +A
- Closing and Info for Workshop Participants

Saturday February 22

8:30 am School Music Room

Welcome, Introductions, Setting Intentions

Rachel Schneider, Steffen Schneider, Lila Rimalovski

- Why we put together this workshop
- Community Guidelines

Journaling: "Inner Soil"

• Partner Share

9:15

Panel Discussion: The Nature of Carbon in Climate, Soil, Health

What are we talking about when we talk about carbon? Will Brinton, Gidon Eshel, Steffen Schneider Moderator: Rachel Schneider

9:45 Table Talks- Groups of 5 Discussion

10:00 Share Out

10:15 BREAK

10:30

Presentation: Climate Change and Resilient Agriculture Gidon Eshel

11:15 Table Talks

11:40 Share Out

12:00 LUNCH - on your own -

1:00 *Meet outside the main school entrance* **Tour of Hawthorne Valley Farm** Steffen Schneider, Spencer Fenniman, Jill Jakimetz

2:45 BREAK

3:00 School Music Room Interactive Presentation: Sensing and Sorting Soils Will Brinton

5:00

Journaling: "Ecological Soil"

• Partner Share

5:30 - 6:30 pm Visiting Students Program Dining Hall **Dinner: Is this a "climate diet"?**

7:00 - 9:00 School Music Room Public Talk Gidon Eshel, AgroEcology and Feeding Ourselves: Tensions, Promises and Future Potential Respondent: Will Brinton

Agroecology offers examples of solutions to the related crises of climate, soil, food, and health in many localities, but can it offer solutions at the global scale? Considering planetary boundaries such as erosion, topsoil loss and land degradation, how do we scale up local, ecologically minded agriculture? How do we think about the basic conundrum of finite land with rising population and standards of living? Taking the Northeast as a case study, could we feed ourselves while tending to the resilience of climate, soil, food and our own health?

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Sunday February 23

8:30 am School Music Room Good morning and Transition Question After a good night's sleep... what is living in me from yesterday?

• Partner Share

8:50

Presentation: Reviewing the Theme & Showing up for Change Steffen Schneider

9:30

Sensory Walk

Building sensory relationships with carbon, atmosphere, plants, trees & soil Jill Jakimetz

10:30 BREAK

10:45 School Music Room

Journaling: "Social Soil"

• Partner Share

10:50

Group Discussion: Doing Work that Connects Climate, Soil, Food, Health Rachel Schneider, Lila Rimalovski

11:45 Final Thoughts

12:00 Evaluations and Goodbyes Thank you!