



# 8TH ACTING LOCALLY FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE WORLD CONFERENCE

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY APRIL 6, 2024

## PROGRAM

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:  
DOUG RUCCIONE

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	TABLE BROWSING
9:30 AM - 9:35 AM	CONFERENCE OPENING INDIGENOUS LAND STATEMENT: DR. MAISA TAHA
9:35 AM - 9:45 AM	CONFERENCE HOST: NORTHEAST EARTH COALITION JOSE GERMAN-GOMEZ
9:45AM - 10:45AM	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MARCUS SIBLEY "OPERATION: JUSTICE"
10:45 AM - 10:55AM	BREAK
10:55 AM - 11:55 PM	FEATURED SPEAKER: DR. JASON GRABOSKY "SHARING SPACE: TREES, PEOPLE, & THE DEVELOPED LANDSCAPES OF NJ"
11:55AM - 1:00PM	LUNCH BREAK



NORTHEAST  
EARTH COALITION

THE NEC WORKS TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND PROMOTE LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY. WE BRING TOGETHER DIVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO IDENTIFY COMMON INTERESTS AND PROVIDE MUTUAL SUPPORT TO BUILD LOCAL RESILIENCE.





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1:00PM - 1:10PM

CONFERENCE HOST: PSEG INSTITUTE FOR  
SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES  
DR. AMY TUINGA

1:10PM - 2:10PM

FEATURED SPEAKER:  
DONNA MERRILL  
"THE POLLINATOR PATHWAY -- BEE ON IT!"

2:10PM - 2:20PM

BREAK

2:20PM - 3:30PM

FEATURED CHANGE MAKERS:

- GREATER NEWARK CONSERVANCY:  
MICHELE ROBINSON
- HACKENSACK RIVERKEEPER:  
CAPTAIN BILL SHEEHAN
- MUNSEE THREE SISTERS FARM:  
DR. MAISA TAHA
- 350 NJ-ROCLKAND: TED GLICK
- MONTCLAIR STATE COMMUNITY  
GARDEN: BRITTNEY PORTES
- NJ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ALLIANCE:  
BROOKE HELMICK
- NORTHEAST EARTH COALITION:  
JOSE GERMAN-GOMEZ

3:30PM

CLOSING

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THE INSTITUTE SUPPORTS RESEARCH AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS THAT GROW MORE RESILIENT COMMUNITIES. THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS WITH CORPORATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS, WE ADDRESS LOCAL AND GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES.

