Day 1, Sat. January 30th, 2016, 9:00AM-1:00PM, Palm Theatre, 817 Palm St., San Luis Obispo, CA Tickets $20, at the door, or www.centralcoastbioneers.org

Drumming by Deb Lane & Afia Walking Tree

Opening Talks by Kenny Ausubel and Nina Simons, Bioneers Founders

Youth Leadership: Junior Walk, Brower Youth Award Winner, on Appalachian resistance to the coal mining industry and mountain-top removal.

SISTER SIMONE CAMPBELL
Community: Healing for the 21st Century
Interior by Reverend Canon Sally Grover Bingham, Interfaith Power & Light
Sister Simone Campbell is a poet, social justice attorney, and one of the nation’s most influential faith-based progressive activists. She led the famous 2012 “Nuns on the Bus” tour to challenge Congressional budget proposals that radically slashed programs for the poor. She shares her vision of how we can heal our divisions and differences, create a renewed sense of community, and build a far more just, peaceful, verdant and compassionate world.

DESTINY ARTS YOUTH PERFORMANCE COMPANY
The beloved Oakland youth dance troupe rocks the house every year.

KIM STANLEY ROBINSON
Rethinking Our Relationship to the Biosphere: A Utopian Vision of A New Economic Paradigm
Introduction by J.P. Harpignies, Bioneers Associate Producer
The coming century requires that we rethink and restructure our relationship with our planet to avoid endangering the integrity of the biosphere and risking the end of human civilization. This means reforming our economic system, which uses a market and trade system that systemically under-prices and degrades both people and the natural world. How can we change that, and what would it look like if we did? One of the great visionary science fiction writers of our era will draw from his decades of work and thinking on this question to sketch a utopian but deeply informed and cogent scenario of a new economy for the coming decades.

PAUL HAWKEN
Project Drawdown
Introduction by Kenny Ausubel
One of the most important thought leaders, activists and entrepreneurs of our era will illuminate the groundbreaking Project Drawdown. It’s the first systematic attempt to do the math on the most effective climate solutions and technologies that already exist, and the impact they would have if they scaled in a rigorous manner over the next 30 years. This coalition of NGOs, academics, scholars, scientists, businesses and government agencies has come together to measure the impact of 100 substantive solutions to mitigating carbon emissions to determine if, when and how we can achieve a year-to-year drawdown in the concentration of CO2 in the atmosphere.
Day 2, Sat. February 6th, 2016, 9:00AM-1:00PM, Palm Theatre, 817 Palm St., San Luis Obispo, CA Tickets $20, at the door, or www.centralcoastbioneers.org


ERIEL DERANGER
Reclaiming Our Indigeneity and Our Place in Modern Society
Introduction by Clayton Thomas-Muller, Idle No More

Eriel Deranger, a tireless, passionate activist for the rights of Indigenous people, Communications Coordinator of The Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation (ACFN), a community of 1,200 people living downstream from the largest industrial project on the planet, the Alberta Tar Sands, has been on the frontlines of the global fight against the ravages of fossil fuel extraction. The ACFN’s resistance is a prime example of Indigenous resurgence in Canada, revealing how Indigenous peoples are shaking up how we do and see things and pointing the way forward for the protection, preservation and future governance of Mother Earth.

SHANNON DOSEMAGEN
Open-Source Development of Tools for Community Science
Introduction by Joshua Fouts, Bioneers Executive Director

Shannon Dosemagen will describe how communities worldwide are being equipped to use new tools to redefine expertise and mobilize local intelligence to protect public health and ecosystems. As co-founder/President of the multiple award-winning New Orleans-based Public Laboratory for Open Technology and Science, she helped launch the Public Lab in response to the BP oil spill. Today it’s a groundbreaking platform and resource for citizen science environmental activism nationally and internationally.

FANIA DAVIS
Restorative Justice’s Promise: Helping Us Re-Invent What It Means to be Human
Introduction by Cameron Simmons, Youth Advocate, Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth

Drawing on her lifetime of social justice activism, Fania Davis depicts the essence of Restorative Justice, an emerging approach that seeks to move us from an ethic of separation, domination, and extreme individualism to one of collaboration, partnership, and interconnectedness. Rooted in Indigenous views of justice and healing, this rapidly expanding global movement invites us to make a radical shift from either-or, right-wrong, and us-versus-them ways of thinking. It seeks to midwife an evolutionary shift beyond domination, discord, and devastation, toward healing, wholeness, and holiness with one another and all creation.

XUHTEZCATL MARTINEZ & ITZCUAUAHTLI ROSKE-MARTINEZ
Youth Activist Hip-Hop Duo Extraordinaire

JASMYN MITCHELL
ACE, Alternatives for community & environment

Building power for environmental justice, Jasmyrn shares a Boston Snow day story with us and introduces us to the ACE Vision of Change: Systemic change means moving beyond solving problems one by one to eliminating the root causes of environmental injustice. ACE is anchoring a movement of people who have been excluded from decision-making to confront power directly and demand fundamental changes in the rules of the game, so together we can achieve our right to a healthy environment.

BEN KNIGHT
Self-Organizing Community Democracy for the Internet Age

Introduction by Matthew Monahan, Namaste Foundation

Emerging in response to the need for a scalable way to make inclusive group decisions during the Occupy movement in 2011, Loomio, an activist-driven tech co-op, developed an open-source tool for democratic organizing now used by 80,000 people in 93 countries. Change-making communities, social movements and organizations have used it to make more than 25,000 decisions. In this digital world, Loomio is on a mission to empower communities and organizations everywhere to weave diverse perspectives into powerful collective action.
Day 3, Sat. Feb 13th, 2016, 9:00AM-1:00PM, Palm Theatre, 817 Palm St.,
San Luis Obispo, CA. Tickets $20, at the door, or www.centralcoastbioneers.org

Introduction by Kenny Ausubel and Nina Simons, Bioneers Founders

Drumming by Deb Lane & Afia Walking Tree

ADRIANNA QUINTERO
Re-Imagining the Environmentalist
Introduction by Kenny Ausubel
Adrianna Quintero, a Senior Attorney at the NRDC and founder/Executive Director of Voces Verdes, says that if we want to have any chance of succeeding in securing a healthy future and a livable planet, it's time to re-imagine the environmentalist. All of us have a connection to nature, and we need to embrace a new vision that reflects the realities of our time and the growing diversity in our country. As the U.S. moves toward being a minority majority nation and the Latino population asserts its very high commitment to environmental concerns, more and more of us need to feel welcomed and a part of the movement—even if we've never been on a hike.

ANDY LIPKIS
Navigating Adaptation and Resilience as Un-Sustainability Hits the Tipping Point
Introduction by Laurie Benenson, TreePeople
Board Member
As founder and President of L.A.'s legendary TreePeople, Andy Lipkis has brought visionary solutions to the once-poster child of municipal environmental dysfunction. Inventing the citizen forestry movement and engaging hundreds of thousands of Angelenos, over decades he has systematically demonstrated how to repair and restore an urban watershed by integrating ecology, economy and justice. As L.A.'s eco-governance model starts to spread globally, he will report from the front lines of the City of Angels and Australia, which has engaged the entire citizenry as watershed managers.

RINKU SEN
Both/And/All: Environmentalism and Racial Justice
Introduction by Nina Simons
Rinku Sen is one of the most dynamic and influential social, racial and gender justice activists of our time, among the nation's most effective voices for inclusion and human rights. She's also a cutting-edge journalist, author and researcher. She will share her vision of how our era demands of us that we simultaneously face and address our completely intertwined ecological and social justice crises, while we learn how to do it without losing our minds, our friends... or our fights.

JENISNE LARSEN with SISTER ZEPH
Crowdsourcing the Feminine Intelligence of the Planet
Introduction by Nina Simons, Bioneers
Co-Founder
World Pulse founder Jensine Larsen and Sister Zeph, an award-winning Pakistani digital crusader for girls' education, illustrates how their global network is harnessing the power of digital communication into a powerful force for change by connecting women from more than 190 countries including those reaching out using Internet cafes and cell phones from remote rural areas and conflict zones. Jensine will share her personal journey building World Pulse from a vision into a network now impacting over 2 million lives. She and Sister Zeph will show us how we can participate in this soulful digital revolution to unleash the true feminine intelligence of the planet.

HENK OVINIK
Water by Design
Introduction by Paul Vosbeek, founder of Real NewEnergy
Henk Ovinik, one of the world's leading experts on sustainable, resilient coastal infrastructure, served as a Senior Advisor to the Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force and is a leading figure in the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment. He will share his vision of how we must change our entire culture to put water back into the center of our hearts and minds if we are to cope effectively with climate change, water crises, biodiversity loss, ecosystem collapse, extreme weather events, and myriad environmental, economic, and sociopolitical crises. He will illustrate how new approaches to design and politics are at the heart of a more resilient future.

Dean Hoaglin (CoastalMiwok), Suscon Intertribal Council, Closing speaker.

Luisah Teish, Closing story
She is an initiated elder (yanila) in the Ifa/Oriisha tradition of the West African Diaspora, and she holds a chieftaincy title (Yeye/Word) from the Fatumisi Compound in Ile Ife, Nigeria. She grew up in New Orleans, LA, and spent many hours along the banks of the Mississippi River, an area rich in folklore, music and mystery. As a child, Teish was surrounded by a community of elders who maintained centuries' old stories and traditions. Luisah soon learned that her intelligence was measured by her ability to decipher proverbs and to glean life-guidance from the content of stories. This influence awakened a creativity that led to her gathering materials, both oral and written. For forty years, Luisah has been a storyteller, writer, and community activist.