

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of SLO County** – Designed to build developmental assets in vulnerable children through role models and mentor friendships [www.slobigs.org](http://www.slobigs.org)
- Bright Ice Initiative** – Bright Ice Initiative offers safe, simple solutions to inhibit glacial melting by adding a safe, reflective material to the surface of dirty ice and water to brighten it. [www.brighticeinitiative.org](http://www.brighticeinitiative.org)
- Electriq Power** – Partnering with community organizations to help them reach their sustainability goals. [www.poweredupnetwork.com/solar-and-storage-programs/homeowners/san-luis-obispo](http://www.poweredupnetwork.com/solar-and-storage-programs/homeowners/san-luis-obispo)
- Five Cities Repair Café** – A community wide event where volunteers fix their neighbors' broken items for free and keep them out of the landfill [www.repaircafe5cities.org](http://www.repaircafe5cities.org)
- Northern Chumash Tribal Council** – Promoting establishment of the proposed Chumash Heritage Marine Sanctuary [www.chumashsanctuary.org](http://www.chumashsanctuary.org)
- One Cool Earth** – Non-profit organization that unites communities and schools to create thriving school garden programs that grow successful students [www.onecoolearth.org](http://www.onecoolearth.org)
- Santa Barbara Permaculture Network** – Local to global – an educational nonprofit since 2000 [www.sbpermaculture.org](http://www.sbpermaculture.org)
- SLO Permaculture Guild** – Permaculture in SLO County is a regional initiative to create regenerative and thriving social, environmental and economic systems in San Luis Obispo County, California [www.slopermaculture.weebly.com](http://www.slopermaculture.weebly.com)
- SLO Beaver Brigade** – Dedicated to educating folks in San Luis Obispo County about the benefits of beavers in our rivers and streams [www.slobeaverbrigade.com](http://www.slobeaverbrigade.com)
- Slow Money SLO** – Local network of entrepreneurs, investors, donors and volunteers who support sustainable growth of small food and farm businesses which benefit the local economy and health of SLO County, CA [www.slowmoneyslo.org](http://www.slowmoneyslo.org)
- SLO Mothers for Peace** – San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace is a non-profit organization concerned with the dangers posed by Diablo Canyon and other nuclear reactors, nuclear weapons, and radioactive waste. [www.Mothersforpeace.org](http://www.Mothersforpeace.org)
- SLO Seed Exchange** – SLO Seed Exchange exists to encourage the practice of cultivating and saving seeds [www.facebook.com/SloSeedExchange](http://www.facebook.com/SloSeedExchange)
- Volumes of Pleasure** – A small store with a goal to carry as wide a variety of books, gifts, jewelry, spiritual and holistic supplies as will fit within their walls. [www.volumesofpleasurebookshoppe.com](http://www.volumesofpleasurebookshoppe.com)

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*Belonging without Othering: The Story of our Future*

## Conference Schedule

**8:30** Doors open – Breakfast available

**9:00** Welcome and Introductions

### 2023 NATIONAL BIONEERS KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**9:10** **Jade Begay** – *Strengthening Indigenous Leadership Through Collapse*

**9:35** **Leah Stokes** – *The Future is Electric*  
(Leah's talk will be followed by a presentation by the San Luis Obispo Climate Coalition on local electrification efforts and how you can get involved)

**10:15** **Kim Stanley Robinson** – *What I've Learned Since Ministry for the Future Came Out in 2020*

**10:40** BREAK

**11:10** **Danny Kennedy** – *The Charging 20s*

**11:30** **john a. powell** – *Belonging Without Othering*  
(john's talk will be followed by a presentation by Julie Lyman of R.A.C.E. Matters which works to build a community of belonging by offering artistic and cultural experiences throughout the Central Coast)

**11:50** Performance by Jill Knight and John Madara of their new song "It's A Beautiful Thing"

**12:00** LUNCH

### AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

**1:00** **Dr. Leslie Field** - *Bright Ice Initiative – Preserving Glacial Ice While Doing No Harm*

**1:35** Update by Mothers for Peace on the status of Diablo Canyon

**1:45** **Neil Havlik** – *Future Expansion of the Carrizo Plain National Monument*

**2:15** BREAK

**2:45** **Jan Dietrick and Ron Whitehurst** – *California Beyond Pesticides*

**3:20** **Craig Lewis** – *Renewables-driven Microgrids: The Key to Future Energy Systems*

**3:50** Closing drumming circle with Francesca Bolognini

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