

ESF Outreach E-News

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A regular update on ESF's outreach programs, projects, partnerships and people.



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12th Annual New York State Green Building Conference

March 27th - 28th, 2014 / The Oncenter, Syracuse, NY

The Green Building Conference is noted for bringing together nationally- and internationally-recognized speakers and thinkers with participants who join us from near and far. This year's program is no exception!

Dr. Neil Murphy, Senior Fellow for Environmental and Sustainable Systems (and recent past President) at SUNY-ESF, will join keynote speaker, **Tedd Benson**, founder of Bensonwood for dialogue about sustainable building. Mr. Benson is recognized as a designer and builder of energy-efficient and hybrid high-performance homes and commercial buildings across the US. **Dr. Tony Ingraffea**, The Solutions Project, a collaboration of scientists, business leaders, and cultural influencers will address how to accelerate the transition to a future where we only use renewable energy sources. Join us for 20 in-depth presentations on LEED v4, High Performance Residential, High Performance Commercial, Building Science, Material Science, Case Studies in Higher Education & Healthcare, Living Infrastructure, Resiliency & Biomimicry, Renewable Energy, 2012 Energy Code & Construction Waste Management. And dozens of exhibitor to visit!

To register as a participant, exhibitor or sponsor (and to learn more about professional certification credits): www.nysgreenbuilding.org.

ESF / Syracuse City School District *Environmental Challenge*

ESF students, faculty and staff – and Central New York friends and colleagues: Please join us at SUNY-ESF and the Carrier Dome as a judge for the 2014 [Environmental Challenge](#)! Get involved to celebrate and encourage over 500 Syracuse City School District middle school students' STEM pursuits. 8:30 AM (continental breakfast and judge training) – 1:00 PM **Thursday, March 13, 2014**. [Learn more and registrar](#) (parking provided).

STEM Mentor Nominations and Applications Accepted

ESF graduate students and post-docs: consider making an even greater difference by participating in the Fall 2014 ESF Science Corps **STEM Mentor** program! Be part of the *STEM Mentoring Initiative to Strengthen the Education Pipeline* project, in collaboration with the Syracuse City School Districts, SUNY,

and the New York Academy of Sciences. Nominations and applications are welcome! [Learn more and apply](#).

Summer Session 2014

Join [Dave Eichorn](#) and others - plan ahead to **Make the Most of your Summer!** [Register now](#) for a field, classroom, or online course at SUNY's affordable rates.

Join us for raffles & more during **Summer Session week** at the **Trailhead Café: March 31 – April 4**, in the Gateway Center.

ESF and RadTech International Announce Summer Shortcourses

The Radiation Curing Program (RCP) prepares practicing professionals, along with upper-level undergraduate and graduate students in the science and technology of energy curing, such as ultraviolet (UV) or electron beam (EB) processing. [Learn more and register for one or more fully online courses!](#)

Symphonia and ESF Collaborate to Inspire Young People

Children (and the young at heart) enjoyed an inaugural collaboration between Symphonia (known formerly as the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra) and SUNY-ESF faculty and staff on March 1st in the Young Person's Concert II: *Sound of Nature*.

Symphonia's musical performance was complemented with narratives by ESF scientists who described their related research and teaching inspirations. Congratulations and thanks to Sonya Williams, Victoria King and Heather Buchman (Symphonia), Rick Beal and Maura Stefl (ESF Outreach), Dave White (ESF Office of Communications), and the following ESF Faculty:

- Jack Manno / Environmental Studies
- Peter Black / Forest and Natural Resources Management
- John Farrell / Environmental and Forest Biology
- David Eichorn / Forest and Natural Resources Management; ESF Outreach

Related story: [Symphonia plays for 34,000 fans after rising from bankrupt Syracuse symphony](#).

Announcements

Call for Teaching Fellows for the Graduate Assistant Colloquium on Teaching and Learning

Nominations and applications are being accepted for graduate students to serve as a *Teaching Fellow*. This program features over two dozen faculty, staff, administrators, undergraduate and graduate students that serve as presenters, panelists, and facilitators. Learn more and apply: www.esf.edu/ig/colloquium/fellows.htm & www.esf.edu/ig/colloquium.

ESF Outreach Graduate Assistant: Apply Now

Nominations and applications are being accepted from ESF graduate students for a Fall 2014/Spring 2015 State Graduate Assistantship with ESF Outreach. To learn more and apply, contact Barbara Newman at (315) 470-6817 or bnewman@esf.edu. This position will remain open until filled. Application materials will be reviewed and interviews conducted beginning March 4, 2014.

Upcoming Programs - Register Now!

ESF/Syracuse City School District Environmental Challenge

March 13th, 2014

12th Annual New York State Green Building Conference

March 27th - 28th, 2014

Onondaga Lake Scientific Forum

March 28th, 2014

Solar Power as Renewable Energy (SPARE) Commercial Course

April 4th, 2014

26th Annual Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium

April 6th - 8th, 2014

6th Annual Biotechnology Symposium

May 15th - 16th, 2014

Save the Date

ESF in the High School Environmental Summit Research Symposium

May 28th, 2014

For complete calendar of ESF's Outreach events visit: www.esf.edu/outreach/calendar.asp

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