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Mar 4 - 8, 2024

# Transformative Solidarities

Join us for a week of vibrant celebration featuring panels; film screenings; networking; cultural performances centering climate-vulnerable communities; and knowledge-sharing from local organizations. As part of the SDG Week Canada, let's collectively counter cycles of institutional silences and climate inaction by engaging, bringing together, and celebrating diverse communities across generations, disciplines, and academia.

Unlearn ▾ Learn ▾ Action

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Monday, March 4, 9-11am, BC Hydro Theatre

## Bee the Change You Want to See: Pollinator biodiversity loss and taking climate action

Guest Speaker/Facilitator:  
Aldona Czajewska

Around 75% of food crops depend on pollinators to some extent and their decline threatens our food system and food security. Learn more about our local pollinators, such as bees and butterflies, engage in buzzing activities, and explore the interconnections between sustainable food, climate change, and biodiversity loss to take action.

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Tuesday, March 5, 11am - 12pm, Webinar

## SDG Week Canada: Embedding Sustainability into Teaching Practices

Amidst unparalleled environmental challenges, our world remains confronted with intricate and interlinked global crises. Empowering learners with the required skill sets, knowledge, and experiences for a sustainable future serves as the pathway to effectively address these challenges. As post-secondary institutions in Canada and worldwide acknowledge their evolving roles in confronting global issues, they are increasingly showcasing sustainability commitments throughout all aspects of their operations, research, and teaching. Embedding sustainability into teaching and learning remains a key priority for many of these institutions. Educators within these establishments have embraced innovative approaches to infuse sustainability into their classrooms. This panel aims to facilitate a meaningful conversation between educators on enhancing and exploring practical solutions for integrating sustainability into teaching and learning, with a focus on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).




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Aditi Garg

Aditi Garg is an educational development specialist helping educators design courses and programs that allow students to develop competencies for social, environmental, and economic sustainability and to help meet the Sustainable Development Goals through teaching and learning. She believes it is important to build reflective teaching practices based inclusive and responsive learning. She also helps with curriculum mapping & development and the internationalization of teaching and learning.



Dr. Kshamta Hunter

Dr. Kshamta Hunter is the manager of Transformative Learning & Student Engagement with the UBC Sustainability Hub and an instructor in the Faculty of Education. Her research aims to design responsive and relevant integrative curriculum and pedagogical approaches for the 21st century, through understanding the development of competencies for innovation toward sustainability.



Dr. Jennifer Williams

Dr. Jennifer Williams is the founder of TeachSDGs and the co-founder of the non-profit organization Take Action Global. She speaks, writes, and advises on practices that develop global perspectives and social good through creative uses of technology, and her research interests include innovations in teaching and learning, equity and diversity in education, and social action. As an educator and author of the ISTE book, Teach Boldly: Using Edtech for Social Good, she champions teachers to use educational technology for social good. Connect with Jennifer on Twitter at @JenWilliamsEdU.



Dr. Carolyn Steele

Dr. Carolyn Steele specializes in experiential education, creating innovative humanities courses that help students connect theory with real-world issues. She co-leads the 'SDGs-in-the-Classroom' Curricular Innovation Hub at York University with Sandra Peniston and Tracy Bhoola. This project includes the internationally used 'SDGs-in-the-Classroom Toolkit' and customizable open-source SDG-focused learning modules. These resources enable students and faculty to integrate important global issues into existing courses across all disciplines.

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Monday, March 4, 11am - 1pm, BC Hydro Theatre

## Panel: (Un)learning Pasts to Build Better Futures

This panel will center and invite considerations on how to collectively **UNLEARN** ways of thinking that perpetrate climate inaction and apathy to encourage an open-minded approach to climate solutions.





Dr. Pheroze Unwalla Dr. Jo-Ann Archibald Leighton Gall

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**Dr. Jo-Ann Archibald**  
Dr. Jo-Ann Archibald is a UBC professor in the Department of Educational Studies. She is from the Sto:lo First Nation in British Columbia and has pioneered the advancement of First Nations education.

**Dr. Pheroze Unwalla**  
Dr. Pheroze Unwalla is a professor at UBC in the History department. Dr. Unwalla specializes in the modern Middle East, with a particular focus on memory, trauma, and advancing Middle Eastern pedagogies and perspectives.

**Leighton Gall**  
Leighton Gall is a Métis entrepreneur and professional in the clean energy industry, interested in making scientific information accessible to all communities.

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Wednesday, March 6, 11am - 1pm, Nest Performance Theatre

## Panel: Action Towards a Sustainable Tomorrow: Shaping Climate Solutions with New Perspectives

This panel will invite ways to **ACT** on collective desires to make change through exposure to impactful community partners, scholars, organizers, organizations, advocates, artists, and more.





Nicole Straughan Manvi Bhalla Vinya Nadimpalli

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**Nicole Straughan**  
Nicole Staughan is a climate leader and ocean conservation advocate who has been working with OceanWise to advance ocean literacy and empower youth involvement through programs such as Ocean Bridge, Ocean Pathways and Youth to Sea.

**Manvi Bhalla**  
Manvi Bhalla is an activist-scholar, who founded nonprofits including Shake Up The Establishment and missINFORMED, dedicated to climate justice, political advocacy, and gender inclusivity.

**Vinya Nadimpalli**  
Vinya Nadimpalli is a Sustainability Ambassador, as part of the CAP2030 cohort. Vinya will be a part of the panel as a representative of Threading Change, a youth-led organization aiming to create a future where fashion is ethical and circular.

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Wednesday, March 6, 2-4pm, Policy Labs, CIRS

## El Pueblo Creciente - "The Growing Village": Sustainable Design and Service Learning in Honduras

Guest Speaker/Facilitator: John Sherk

This presentation and discussion examines a sustainable design and service learning initiative that was started at University of Manitoba in 2013. This co-curricular program provides a unique opportunity to complement classroom studies with hands on design and community education in a cross-cultural context. Participating students had an opportunity to design systems in the fall semester and travel down to rural Honduras in the winter semester to construct their designs. Particular focus was placed on cultural relevancy, sustainable approaches to community development and locally sourced materials for design and building initiatives. Participating students were from the faculties of engineering, architecture and nursing. Examined will be the projects that occurred in 2013, 2014 and 2015 in a rural community in Honduras.

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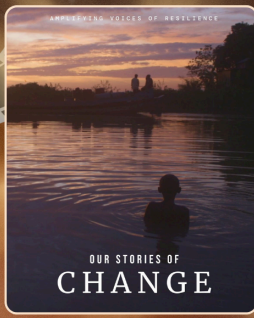
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Thursday, March 7, 12:30pm-2pm, BC Hydro Theatre

## Film Screening + Discussion: Stories of Change

With Lead Filmmaker: Bashar

The *Stories of Change* documentary captures a tale of hope inspired by the most climate-vulnerable communities in the Global South from Bangladesh. The screening will be joined by filmmaker, climate activist, and UBC COP27&COP28 delegate Bashar, who is passionate about storytelling.



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Thursday, March 7, 11am-12:30pm, Hydro Theatre

## COP28: An Interactive Game

Facilitator: Muhammad Huzaifa

Are you a sustainability change-maker, thinker, or taking the side of our planet Earth for our energy transition? If so, join us in promoting sustainability in and around UBC as you compete with friends, test your knowledge, and get a global view on sustainability concepts, their effects, and discussions on a world stage through this fun interactive game summarizing Muhammad's key findings at COP28, the 28th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties in Dubai in late 2023.

Muhammad Huzaifa is a COP28 UBC delegate, with a Master of Applied Science in Chemical and Biological Engineering.



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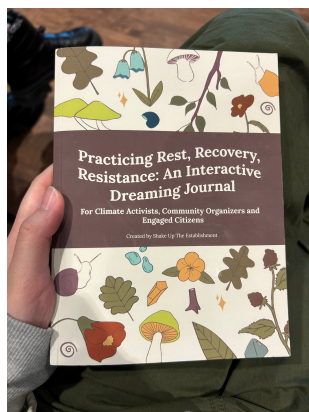
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- Panel: (Un)learning Past to Build Better Futures (Mon, Mar 4, 2024)



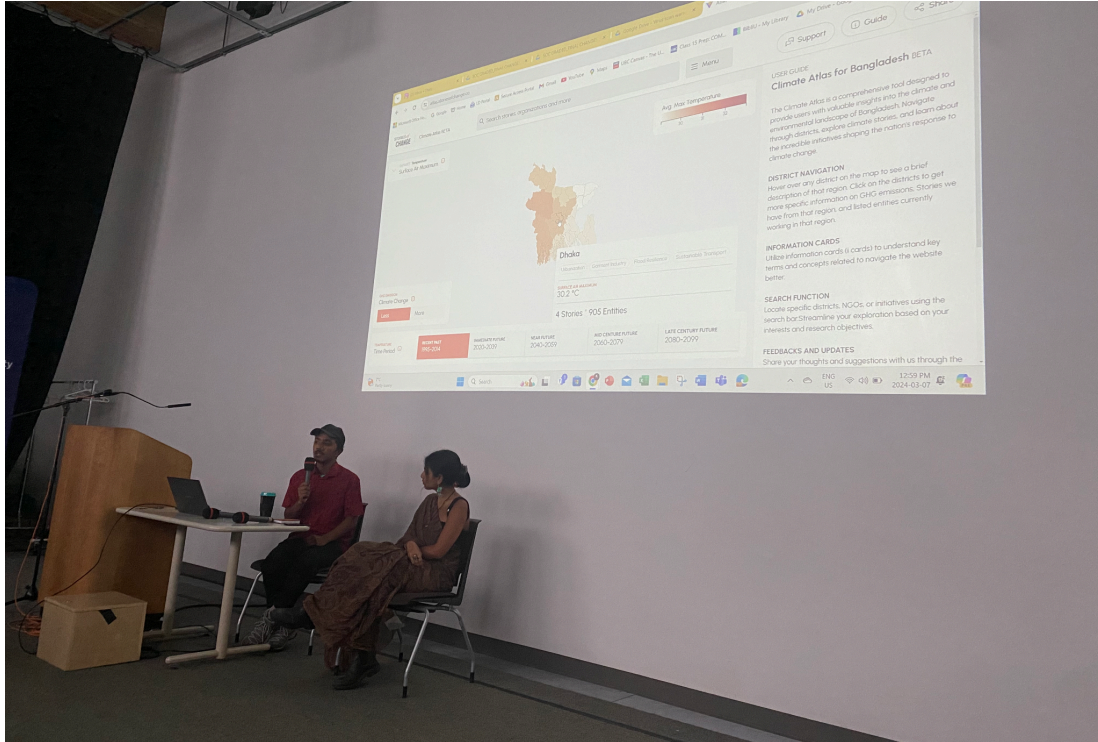


- Panel: Action Towards a Sustainable Tomorrow: Shaping Climate Solutions with New Perspectives (Wed, Mar 6, 2024)





- Film screening + Discussion: Stories of Change



- Legacy of Liberation and Celebrating Global Solidarity

