



Hitchcock Center
EDUCATION FOR A HEALTHY PLANET

The Salamander Scoop

A Quarterly E-Newsletter

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Western MA Youth Climate Summit

The Western Mass Youth Climate Summit provided an empowering platform for 40 local high school students to engage in conversations with their peers on the issue of climate change and to discuss actions and goals their team will take to address the problem.



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Julie Johnson Receives 2017 AIA Green Giants Award



Apollo 13 Professional Development Challenge Rouses Educators



Hitchcock Educators Travel to Latin American as Professional Fellows



[Massachusetts Cultural Council STARS Grants](#)

In the Community Gallery

Photography by Alan Hurwitz showing some special aspects of our local natural world. All are of subjects found right here in Amherst - many captured on his Station Road property.

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Upcoming Programs and Events

[Nature All Year Study Club 2018](#)

Open to all who wish to strengthen their naturalist skills. Registration open for 2018.

[Second Saturday Family Science Series](#)

For families with children to explore science and nature together. Saturdays, 10-11AM, January 13, February 10, March 10



[Living Building Tours](#)

Come visit one of the greenest buildings on the planet. First Fridays @ 4PM & Third Wednesdays @ 12PM

[The "Environmental Canon" Book Club](#)

We're reading through some of the classic and books in environmental and nature writing: *A Sand County Almanac*
January 10, 6PM or January 21, 2PM



[Engineer for a Day at the Hitchcock Center!](#)

A Girl Scout Program, January 20, 10AM-12:30PM or 1:30-4PM

[Curriculum Day](#)

When there's no school in Amherst, come play and explore at the Hitchcock Center. Ages 6-9, January 22, 8:30AM-3PM

Announcement:

Our [Winter Adult Community Programs](#) line-up will be available online by January 1st!



Earth Matters: Notes on the Nature of the Valley

Every two weeks, the Hitchcock Center publishes a column in The Daily Hampshire Gazette on compelling natural history and sustainability topics in our region.

[The Case of the Songless Songbird: Cedar Waxwings](#)

by David Spector (12/1/17)



[When do we find our place in the landscape?](#)

by John Stinton (11/17/17)

[In memorium, Elizabeth Farnsworth, writer, illustrator, scientist, naturalist](#)

by Michael Dover (11/3/17)

[How do seeds survive the winter?](#)

by Elizabeth Farnsworth (10/20/17)

In Memory of Elizabeth Farnsworth



The entire Hitchcock community is deeply saddened by the sudden and unexpected death of Elizabeth Farnsworth. We will miss Elizabeth's extraordinary talents, creativity, and compassion for all things living. Elizabeth had a long history with the Hitchcock Center as a board member, fundraiser, educator, and contributor. We are lucky to have had the privilege of knowing and working with her.

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Our Mission

Founded in 1962, the Hitchcock Center's mission is to foster greater awareness and understanding of the environment and to develop environmentally literate citizens.

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