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Day of Action

Join the Global Rally and March to End Fossil Fuels
Saturday, September 16 at Queen's Park



**CANADA IS ON FIRE.
THE CLIMATE CRISIS IS HERE.
FOSSIL FUEL PRODUCTION IS
GROWING – WITH NO PLANS TO
STOP.**

**SEPTEMBER 16, 2023
QUEEN'S PARK FRONT LAWN**

**MEET BY THE CALL BANNER ALONG THE
MAIN PATH LEADING TO THE LEGISLATURE**

RALLY AT 11:00 a.m. MARCH AT 12 p.m.

As world leaders discuss climate action at the UN in New York, people on every continent will join the largest-ever globally coordinated action to demand that governments end fossil fuels – fast, fair, and forever.

LEARN ABOUT THE GLOBAL ACTION [HERE](#)

We regret the conflict with those observing Rosh Hashanah. The march was timed with the Global March to End Fossil Fuels just before UN Climate Week. If you are not able to attend, here are some alternative actions you could take:

- Call on the Ontario Government for an [end to the gas plant expansion](#)
- Ask MPs to [regulate banks' financing of fossil fuels](#) and [cap oil and gas emissions](#)

Monthly learning meeting

Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom

Guest speakers



Dr. Chris Russill
Carleton University



Dr. Patrick McCurdy
University of Ottawa

What Lies Beneath?

Strategic and deceptive communications on fossil fuel emissions by Canada's oil sands sector

You are invited to join CALL at our September climate learning meeting. Learn how Canada's largest fossil fuel companies are using ad campaigns and other strategies to mislead the public on emission reduction plans.

Our guest speakers are Dr. Chris Russill, Academic Director, Re.Climate and Associate Professor, School of Journalism and Communication and Dr. Patrick McCurdy, Associate Professor of Communication.

Dr. Russill and Dr. McCurdy will:

- Examine the role of strategic and deceptive communication around fossil fuel emissions and net zero in Canada;
- Share examples drawn from the oil sands sector's newest promotional organization, Pathways Alliance – a coalition of the six largest oil sands producers; and
- Discuss the strategies and techniques used to shape climate conversations, political processes, and public engagement.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#): You will receive an email confirmation with your personal Zoom link to join the meeting.

CALL interest group meetings in September

Individual Action Group

individual.action@climatelearners.ca


We learn how to lower personal emissions within our homes, vehicles, the food we eat and the things we do.

Tuesday Sept 12 @ 10 a.m.

Has this summer reawakened your desire to lower your carbon footprint? If so, join the group who are exploring green solutions, with a focus on ideas for those who live in a condo or an apartment. For more information, contact membership@climatelearners.ca

<p>Nature-Based Solutions Group nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca</p> <p>We learn how we can protect, sustainably manage and restore our natural ecosystems to mitigate the effects of climate change. We also meet for guided hikes and other activities in nature.</p>	<p>Wednesday, Sept.13 @ 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. The Nature-Based Solutions group will be showing the documentary “Love Thy Nature” at 35 Boardwalk from 1 – 2:30 p.m. followed by a Nature Walk from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Contact nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca to learn more and to register – space is limited.</p>
<p>Advocacy Action Group advocacy.action@climatelearners.ca</p> <p>We learn about climate change policies that will protect future generations on our planet, and together we advocate with all levels of government.</p>	<p>Wednesday Sept. 20 @ 10:00 a.m. The group will be discussing Ontario’s latest climate plan: <i>Powering Ontario’s Growth: Ontario’s Plan for a Clean Energy Future</i> and how we can advocate for a stronger clean energy plan.</p>

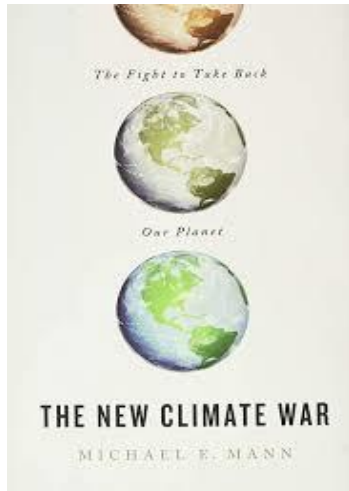
Monthly learning meeting
Upcoming event: Wednesday, October 4 at 10 a.m. on Zoom

 <p>Yuill Herbert Sustainability Solutions Group</p>	<p>Powering Ontario's Future: The future is electric, but will it be green?</p> <p>Learn about the future of Ontario's electricity sector and how the IESO report “Pathways to Decarbonization”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doesn’t explore the potential role of renewable electricity; ▪ Focuses on the electricity supply side over demand reduction; ▪ Doesn’t consider or enable municipalities and the role that they could play; ▪ Could result in stranded assets; and ▪ Results in higher overall electricity costs. <p>Our guest speaker is Yuill Herbert, Director of the Sustainability Solutions Group, a collective of Canada's leading sustainability professionals whose work has included climate and energy plans for Toronto, and many other cities throughout Ontario and Canada.</p>
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CALL meetings in October

<p>Individual Action Group individual.action@climatelearners.ca</p>	<p>Tuesday Oct. 10 @ 10 a.m.</p>
<p>Advocacy Action Group advocacy.action@climatelearners.ca</p>	<p>Wednesday Oct. 18 @ 10:00 a.m.</p>
<p>Nature-Based Solutions Group nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca</p>	<p>To be determined.</p>

Book club discussion on “The New Climate War”



As a follow up to our September 6th meeting on disinformation, join a Zoom discussion on *The New Climate War: The fight to take back our planet* by Dr. Michael E. Mann, an American climatologist.

Dr. Mann argues that the *old* climate war of assault on the basic science of climate change by fossil fuel interests has been replaced by a *new* climate war. The opponents of climate action have different tactics:

- Getting climate advocates fighting with each other so that we don't present a unified voice demanding change;
- Deflecting attention away from the needed systemic solutions or policy solutions to focus instead on individual behaviour.

Join the Zoom discussion on Wednesday, November 22 at 4:00 p.m., [RSVP to \[nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca\]\(mailto:nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca\)](mailto:RSVP%20to%20nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca)

Climate news, studies and reports



Powering Ontario's Growth was released by the Ontario government in July. It incorporates the IESO's latest technical report and outlines the actions the province intends to take to meet the increasing demand for electricity. [Read](#) Ontario's plan in advance of CALL's monthly meeting, at 10:00 a.m. on October 4 with our guest speaker, Yuill Herbert, Director of the Sustainability Solutions Group.

We Don't Have Time

Listen to or read Al Gore's latest TED talk – a sobering exposure of the fossil fuel industry. Note this will be the theme for our October learning meeting. [Listen](#)

CBC News

Ontario government 'exploring' putting protections back on two greenbelt sites. [Read](#)

Canada's National Observer

How a hotter planet revs up our weather. [Read](#)

The Energy Mix

"Hail Mary" on small modular reactors unlikely to succeed. [Read](#)

Energyportal.eu

The potential of white hydrogen as a clean energy source. [Read](#)

Scientific American

Katharine Hayhoe article - One planet, two crises: Tackling climate change and biodiversity in the fight for our future. [Read](#)


NASA





NASA study reveals compounding climate risks at two degrees of warming. [Read](#)

Climate events

September 8 @ noon (online)	Canopy Planet Tree Talks with Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty on Indigenous leadership and climate change. More information and register
September 14 @ 1:00 pm (online)	Green PAC A high level discussion of Canada’s environmental progress on the major challenges we face. More information and register
September 20 @ 7:00 pm (online) 	"Powering Ontario's Growth" - Ford's Energy Disaster" In July 2023, the Ford government released “Powering Ontario’s Growth”. The ‘plan’ locks Ontario into a costly and climate wrecking, energy future. Out of step with much of the world, the Ontario government has decided to push renewable energy to the sidelines as it commits to more fossil gas, more dirty hydrogen and more costly nuclear. Join Ralph Torrie, Director of Research for Corporate Knights, a Toronto based research and publishing company focused on the role of business in the sustainability transition. More information and register
September 25, 2023 – May 21, 2024 (online)	Gresham College (London, England) A series of 11 free one hour lectures on Zoom covering a variety of environment and climate topics. More information and register
November 9 (online)	Building momentum towards net-zero. The third annual pan-Canadian climate conference co-hosted by the Canadian Climate Institute and the Net-Zero Advisory Body . More information and register
November 30 – December 12	Mark your calendar – COP28 in the United Arab Emirates! For the first time, governments will hold a “global stocktake” that will set out the progress countries have made on the emissions reduction commitments known as nationally determined contributions (NDCs), which were made in Paris. More information and register

Podcasts worth listening to

	“Basically a movie”: Inside the deepening Greenbelt scandal. Episode 893 from August 29. Barely two weeks ago, a scathing auditor general’s report sent shockwaves through Ontario’s political class—detailing how acres of greenbelt land were to be handed over to developers who stand to make more than \$8 B from the move. Since then, things have only gotten stranger. Listen
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	<p>Australia’s clean energy outlook.</p> <p>The energy transition is a hot-button issue in Australia. Australia is the world’s largest exporter of coal and its efforts to curb GHG emissions have consistently fallen short of its peers.</p> <p>At the same time, Australia is one country that will benefit from a transition to clean energy. In this episode, Jason Bordoff talks with former Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull about how the Australian government is approaching the energy transition. Listen</p>
	<p>Your carbon footprint should bring you joy.</p> <p>Bloomberg award-winning climate reporter Akshat Rathi talks to Greener Living editor Kira Bindrim on Episode 50 of Zero. Bindrim says “If you are going to do something that is emitting, it better be something that brings you a lot of joy.” Listen</p> <p>Episode 48: Inside the PR Machine that made Climate Denial Work. Listen</p>
	<p>Episode 197: Peak demand set to disrupt oil companies.</p> <p>Journalist Markham interviews Krista Halttunen, a multi-disciplinary energy and climate change researcher based at the Centre for Environmental Policy at Imperial College, London and co-author of “What if we never run out of oil? From certainty of ‘peak oil’ to ‘peak demand’”. Listen</p>
	<p>David Wallace-Wells on 2023 climate crisis and the uncertain road ahead.</p> <p>David Wallace-Wells, New York Times columnist and author of the influential book “The Uninhabitable Earth”, talks about the extreme heat waves, off-the-charts ocean temperatures, massive wildfires, and other climate-worsened disasters that have plagued the first seven months of 2023. Listen</p>

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