

# The Center for Environmental Literacy

Presents:

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### “Regreening the Metropolis: Pathways to More Ecological Cities”



Four-fifths of the U.S. population now lives in metropolitan regions, and nearly half of the global population is urban. As urban regions expand, individual contact with “nature” is reduced and ecological services are degraded. In response, new initiatives are now in progress in many cities and metro areas to preserve, restore, and raise awareness of urban ecology in a broad sense. The Ecological Cities Project, based at UMass Amherst, is conducting research and outreach to document some of the programs and strategies now in progress and to encourage their wider application.

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**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Location:** Gamble Auditorium, Art Museum

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