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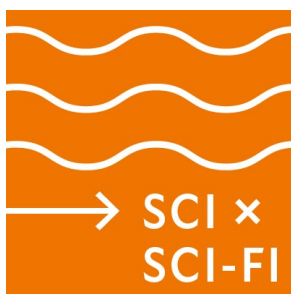
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Sci X Sci-Fi: Join Us for a Week of Events Exploring Positive Futures with Author and Journalist Annalee Newitz



Imagine a future you are excited to live in, that you can't wait to get to. If it's difficult, you're not alone. Dystopian visions of the future dominate popular culture, but what if we empower each other with hope by envisioning positive futures? From March 31 through April 3, Sci X Sci-Fi will invite a new conversation between world builders, innovators, and inventors. We're excited to share that [the closing panel and reception](#) will take place at the New Haven Free Public Library! [Read the Yale News article about the series.](#)

YPS Doctoral Fellowship: Leadership Training for the Complex Challenges of Tomorrow



Applications are now open for the Yale Planetary Solutions Doctoral Fellowship which will provide additional stipend and research support to a cohort of ambitious Yale Ph.D. students whose work contributes to the YPS mission. Together, Fellows will build an interdisciplinary community focused on solving the wicked problem of the planetary

crises we face. The program will support Fellows in their professional development through workshops, a speaker series, and more. Yale Ph.D. students in years 1 and 2 of study are encouraged to [apply by April 14](#).

[Join YPS for an info session](#) on March 31 from 12-1 PM.

New U.S. Academic Alliance for the IPCC Opens Critical Nomination Access



The American Geophysical Union and the U.S. Academic Alliance for the IPCC [opened a call](#) for U.S. researchers to self-nominate as experts, authors, and review editors for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Seventh Assessment Report through a new application portal. The [USAA-IPCC will accept submissions](#) through April 4.

Call for Proposals: Climate Week NYC



This year Yale @ Climate Week NYC will take place September 23-25 and will focus on transforming visions of hopeful futures into reality through practical planetary solutions. YPS is seeking expressions of interest from faculty, staff, and students who have ideas for events that build momentum, mobilize action, and increase impact.

[Learn more about this call and share your idea via our form by April 14](#). YPS is also excited to be collaborating with [Equal Ventures](#) on the [2025 Climate Capital Summit](#) as part of Yale @ Climate Week NYC. Email YPS at planetarysolutions@yale.edu for more information.

Celebrating YPS-Supported Impact! Projects



Impact! provides support for dynamic teams of students, faculty, and staff to pursue small-scale projects focused on planetary solutions in target challenge areas. The three projects selected by YPS and GSAS proposed efforts to explore variation in local air quality, sustainable fashion consumption, and documentation of New Haven's environmental history. [Read more](#).

Calling Yale Innovators: Share Your Idea and Compete for \$350k in Prizes & Awards



Since 2015, the [Yale Innovation Fund](#) has been bringing together innovators, ideas, and investors, leading to the formation of dozens of startups and the investment of millions of dollars in venture capital. Yale faculty, students, alumni, and



Connecticut-based innovators that are at the idea stage or have pre-seed to Series A startups, are encouraged to submit ideas in areas of biotech, civic, climate, arts, health, and tech. [Apply by April 7.](#)

Opportunities

[Submit Your Proposal for *Envisioning Artificial Intelligence at Yale: An Interdisciplinary Symposium* by 11:59 PM on March 31](#)

[2025 SOM Entrepreneurial Fellowship Applications are Due April 6](#)

[YPS Doctoral Fellowship, Apply by April 14](#)

[The 2025 J.M.K. Innovation Prize. Applications Due April 25](#)

Projects

School of Architecture Student Team Designs Water Sculpture for YDS Living Village



The fountain-like artwork, titled *Confluence*, is inspired by themes of unity and welcome that also define the sustainable student-housing complex itself. The Living Village, scheduled for occupancy in August, is designed to meet the rigorous standards of the Living Building Challenge through use of solar power, non-toxic building materials, and sustainable water management as well as attention to health, equity, and beauty. [Read more.](#)

Upcoming Events

Yale Divinity School's Living Village: Sign Up for a Tour!
Wednesdays at 4:00 pm

Planetary Solutions Doctoral Fellowship Information Session
March 31, 2025

Sci X Sci-Fi Kickoff & Fireside Discussion: Writing and Building a Sustainable Future
March 31, 2025

Planting for Impact: San Francisco's Street Tree Planting Strategy - Hixon Center Spring Speaker Series
April 1, 2025

Climate Change Progress: 10 Years on from the Paris Agreement - Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy
April 1, 2025

Recipes for Resilience: Rethinking Food Security from the Local to the Global - Jackson School of Global Affairs
April 1-2, 2025

BIOMES: Avoiding Dystopia, in Theory and Practice (Part of Sci X Sci-Fi)
April 2, 2025

Benjamin Franklin College Tea with Sci-Fi Author and Journalist Annalee Newitz (Part of Sci X Sci-Fi)
April 2, 2025

Sci X Sci-Fi Fireside Discussion and Reception: Re-Writing Our Climate's Future by Embracing Creativity and Optimism
April 3, 2025 at the New Haven Free Public Library

Startup Yale: Celebrating a Decade of Innovation
April 3-4, 2025

Environmental Film Festival at Yale

April 3-5, 2025

YIBS Seminar: The End-Cretaceous Mass Extinction and the Origin of Modern Bird Diversity
April 4, 2025

Wings of Dust: Macmillan Center Council on Latin American & Iberian Studies Film Screening
April 7, 2025

Artificial Intelligence and Climate Impacts: Projections and Policy Options - Center for Industrial Ecology
April 10, 2025

YIBS Seminar: New Insights into the Evolution of Foraging Behavior and Life History
April 11, 2025

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