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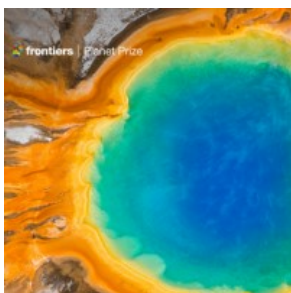
Join Us for a Global Climate Conversation in Preparation for COP30 – from Campus!



YPS, Yale School of the Environment, and the Office of Sustainability are jointly organizing a Global Climate Conversation in preparation for COP30 that you can join from campus! The discussion, which represents Yale's engagement with the [Global Ethical Stocktake](#), will take place on Wednesday, October 22 from 3:00-4:30 PM. Reports on these conversations from all over the world will be used to better connect climate agreements to the diverse daily lives of those who experience the climate crisis's impact. Written expressions that come out of the event may also be presented at a pavilion in the Blue Zone at COP30.

[Register on Yale Connect!](#)

Frontiers Planet Prize: Deadline Extended!



The [Frontiers Planet Prize](#)—three prizes of \$1 million—is awarded annually to research with the greatest potential to address the ecological crisis. It's the world's biggest prize for transformative, science-based breakthroughs to enable healthy lives on a healthy planet, recognizing scientific contributions in the sustainability space with demonstrable potential and impact at planetary scale. YPS invites Yale scientists to submit applications for review by an ad-hoc committee, which will identify up to three nomination packets to submit to the National

Highlight Your Climate-Related Work at Yale's COP30 Exhibit



Yale will have an exhibit in Brazil this November for COP30, where we want to demonstrate the tremendous breadth of climate teaching, research, and action taking place across campus. This exhibit will feature updates, stories, reports, faculty and student profiles, art, and photos that COP30 attendees can access through a Yale Connect website, accessible via a tablet on site at the exhibit or using a QR code. If you have materials you'd like included, please send them to planetarysolutions@yale.edu by November 1st so we can assemble them and make it look great! We make every effort to have a "green" designation for Yale's COP exhibits and will not have any printed materials.

Shared Ambitions: Yale Launches 'Planetary Solutions Strategic Vision 2050'



Yale welcomed partners from the city, state, and region to campus as the university launched a strategic planning process that will guide its climate and sustainability goals. That process, known as Yale Planetary Solutions Strategic Vision 2050, represents the university's commitment to address the greatest challenges facing humankind through collective action and innovation. [Read more.](#)

Community News

'Every Inch Full of Intention': Yale's Living Village Raises the Bar for Environmental Stewardship



The Living Village student-housing complex at Yale Divinity School (YDS) was built to foster community that exists in harmony with nature. Every aspect of the complex, from its utility systems down to the component materials that give it form, is designed to meet the world's highest environmental standards. At a blessing and ribbon ceremony on October 6, the YDS community celebrated completion of the historic complex, a project 13 years in the making. [Read more.](#)

At the Peabody, Art as Ecological 'Witness'



Sculptor Cameron Patricia Downey looks at objects in a complex way. Downey imagines where the thing has



been, what it might have experienced, and who might have used – and loved – it. Downey's latest sculpture, *The Rocks Cry Out*, brings together rocks and found objects to trouble the line between the animate and inanimate. The work asks whether these materials' rich histories, touched by the actions of people or the Earth, imbue them with a kind of life. [Read more.](#)

SHIFT-CM Q&A with YCNCC Research Scientist Sara Kuebbing



SHIFT-CM is a new research initiative designed to address the evidence gaps that undermine trust in natural climate solution carbon credits. Through a coordinated network of scientists and practitioners, SHIFT-CM is advancing the science behind the data, methods, and guidance needed to bring greater scientific rigor to carbon accounting. [Read more.](#)

Opportunities

[Call for Proposals: Religion, Ecology & Expressive Culture Initiative 2026–27, Submit by October 30](#)

[Submit a Workshop Proposal for Startup Yale 2026 by October 31](#)

[YIBS G. E. Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Program - Proposals Due November 3](#)

[Yale-ELTI Online Course: Navigating Corporate Engagement in Carbon Markets: Apply by November 3](#)

[Clean and Equitable Energy Development Certificate Program: Apply by November 10](#)

[Call for Papers: Fall 2025 Environmental Humanities Graduate Symposium on November 13](#)

[Want to Take Your Club to the Next Level? Apply for Tsai CITY Student Club Affiliation by November 21](#)

[Apply Now for the Yale Center for Natural Carbon Capture's \(YCNCC\) Postdoctoral Fellowship Program](#)

Upcoming Events

Cassander L. Smith, "Wasteful Bodies: Sustainability and Black Legend Rhetoric in Guinea and the Early Caribbean"
October 22, 2025, Luce Hall

From the Industrial Revolution to the "Green" Energy Transition: Impacts of Metal Mining on Local River Systems
October 23, 2025, Kroon Hall

YIBS Friday Seminar: 'It's Complicated': Land Use Is in a Messy Relationship with Erosion (and Neocolonialism is Still Living in the Basement). Examples from Madagascar.
October 24, 2025, Environmental Science Building

Environmental Journalism Deep Dive "Stories & Systems: Voices in Environmental Justice"
October 24, 2025, Rosenfeld Hall

Global Health Ventures Meetup
October 24, 2025, Tsai CITY

Climate Ventures Meet & Greet
October 31, 2025, Tsai CITY

YIBS Friday Seminar: Meteorology Meets Physiology: Rethinking (Micro)Climate Impacts on Organisms, Landscapes, and the Biosphere
October 31, 2025, Environmental Science Building

Climate Innovation Intensive Showcase
November 5, 2025, Tsai CITY

Edward P. Bass Distinguished Lecture: "To Know Our Trees" with W. John Kress
November 5, 2025, Yale Science Building

Yale Clean Energy Conference
November 6-8, 2025, Yale School of Management

YPS Fall 2025 Grant Program Symposium
December 5, 2025, Sterling Memorial Library

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