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YPS News

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



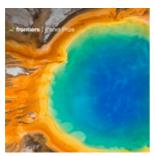
Yale will have an exhibit in Brazil this November for COP30, where we want to demonstrate the tremendous breadth of climate teaching, research, and action taking place across campus. This exhibit will feature updates, stories, reports, faculty and student profiles, art, and photos that COP30 attendees 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.

Yale Brings Climate Solutions to the Global Stage at Climate Week



Hundreds of Yale scholars, students, and alumni joined policymakers, business leaders, artists, and researchers from around the country and world last month for Yale at Climate Week, the university's second annual summit in New York City convening diverse voices to shape scalable solutions to climate challenges. During a two-day event (Sept. 24-25), the Yale Club of New York City was transformed into a hub of action and collaboration during Climate Week

Frontiers Planet Prize: Apply by October 20!



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 by October 20 for review by an ad-hoc committee, which will identify up to three nomination packets to submit to the National Academies, the U.S. National Representative Body for the prize. Submit your application on InfoReady!

Community News

There's Still Time to Celebrate Sustainability!



Celebrate Sustainability Week enters the homestretch today with a planting party on Cross Campus, a walk-and-learn along the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, an exploration of planetary health and the arts, a clothing swap with personalized fashion tips, and more. Read more.

From Papyrus to Policy



Can studying the past provide hope or guidance for the future? Emerging evidence suggests that an Alaskan volcano that erupted around 43 B.C. could have caused drought, famine, and political and social unrest 6,000 miles away in Egypt during the reign of Cleopatra VII. Supported by a grant from Yale Planetary Solutions, a team led by Professor Joseph Manning will host a lecture and workshop this month to examine how significant historic volcanic eruptions disrupted river dynamics and their cascading effects on societies. Read more.

Building Trust in Soil Carbon as a Climate Solution Requires Stronger Evidence



As policymakers, markets, and the public look to soil carbon sequestration as a key climate solution, new research led by Yale School of the Environment scientists finds that current methods for measuring success may not be up to the task. Read more.

In Search of a Greener Grass: Yale Athletics Experiments with 'Fraze Mowing'



On Yale's athletic campus, an unassuming training field has become a testbed for a more sustainable way to maintain grass. The experiment involves a method of turf management known as fraze mowing, in which a specialized machine strips the surface of unwanted weeds and thatch so it can be reseeded with new grass types that are more drought-tolerant and require less herbicide. Read more.

Opportunities

Gaylord Donnelley Postdoctoral Environmental Fellowships - Call for Nominations

Assistant/Associate/Full Professor, Marine and Geological Carbon Dioxide Removal (YCNCC + EPS)

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

Call for Papers: Fall 2025 Environmental Humanities Graduate Symposium on November 13

Upcoming Events

YPS Strategic Visioning 2050 Summit October 10, 2025. Request an invitation

Yale Center for Natural Carbon Capture Fall 2025 Research Showcase October 10, 2025, Kroon Hall

Sussex Plant Biology Symposium October 10, 2025, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

YIBS Friday Seminar: "Maternal Metabolic Strategies During Pregnancy Across Diverse Environments" October 10, 2025, Environmental Science Building

Bearing Witness: The Art and Ethics of Using Story to Create Social Change October 13, 2025, Horchow Hall

Managing Data and Evidence in Al-powered Policy Projects: Practical Wisdom on Data Ethics, Pipelines and Relationships

October 14, 2025, Sterling Memorial Library

amplifyHERscience Elevator Pitch Intensive October 14, 2025, Online

Sustainable Development and Urban Adaptation: Challenges and Future Directions (Yale Blue Green London) October 16, 2025, London, England

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

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



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