

2008 Mason Earth Week Schedule
<http://sustainability.gmu.edu/earthweek>

Date	Time	Activity	Description
3/17-4/20	Ongoing	Pre-Earth Week Energy Challenge	Residents in Amherst & Brunswick face off in a competition to conserve electricity. Location: Amherst and Brunswick Residence Halls
4/19	EARTHFEST		
	2 pm – 10 pm	Environmental Showcase & Music	Location: The Quad, between Fenwick and SUB I
	3:40 pm	Featured Speaker: Ralph Nader at 3:40 pm	Location: The Quad, between Fenwick and SUB I
	2 pm – 4 pm	Environmental Film: "Thirst"	<i>Thirst</i> is a film that talks about the market for clean water. Post-film discussion will be facilitated by the Graduate Student Association of the Environmental Science and Policy Department at Mason. Location: Johnson Center Cinema
4/21	Monday		
	12:05 pm	Botanical Tours of Campus	Are you curious about the plants that grow on Mason's campus? Join Environmental Science Professor Andrea Weeks for a botanical walking tour of campus. Meet at 12:05 pm at 15 Krug Hall for a 45-50 minute walk. Be prepared to walk over muddy ground. Tours limited to 20 people. Repeats on 4/22 at the same time. Location: Krug Hall, Rm 15
4/22	Tuesday: NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF EARTH DAY		
	All day	Free Store by SDS	Stuff exchange – like take a penny leave a penny, but with stuff! Location: Grassy area between JC and King Hall
	7am-10 am	Bike to Mason Day Arrivals	Students, faculty & staff will be recognized for biking to campus with breakfast on the JC Plaza. Location: JC Plaza
	10:00 – 11:35	Mason Environmental Film Festival <i>Radiant City</i> (93 min)	Environmental Film Series in the Johnson Center Cinema: Films and Discussion <i>Radiant City</i> , a full-length "mockumentary" about a suburban development in Canada (but it may as well be Anywhere, USA!) It educates the viewer on the source of urban sprawl and about the social issues it causes, while poking fun at a typical family who has moved into a "development" in the 'burbs.
	11:35 – 11:55		Discussion with the experts: Sarah Lewis, Congress for new Urbanism
	11:55 – 12:00	Break	

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	12 pm – 2 pm	Energy in the Afternoon	Films and discussion about energy issues. Note: there is no break in between - this is a 2-hour film and discussion event.
	12 – 12:45	<i>Kilowatt Ours</i> (35 min)	<p>Introduction by Dr. Susie Crate</p> <p><i>Kilowatt Ours</i> is a short documentary about the consequences of our coal-powered economy, and walks the viewer through the film-maker's own personal journey to improve his household's efficiency.</p>
	12:45 – 1:20	<i>Fighting Goliath: Texas Coal Wars</i> (35 min)	<p>Introduction by Zack Fields</p> <p>This film introduces the viewer to the political fight needed to turn the US away from fossil fuels relying on citizen and local government advocacy. <i>Fighting Goliath: Texas Coal Wars</i> is a short documentary that "follows the story of Texans fighting a high-stakes battle for clean air and centers around the unlikely partners - mayors, ranchers, lawyers, cities, citizens, green groups, and CEOs - that came together to oppose the construction of 18 coal-fired power plants that were slated to be built in Eastern and Central Texas and being fast-tracked by the Texas Governor."</p>
	1:20 – 2:05		<p>Discussion with the experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Susie Crate, GMU Professor of Environmental Science & Policy - Zack Fields, Environmental Assistant to Chairman Connolly of Fairfax County Board of Supervisors - Dr. Allison Macfarlane, GMU Professor of Environmental Science & Policy - Tom Owens, Chesapeake Climate Action Network
	2:05 – 2:15		Break
	2:15 – 3:00	<i>Mountain Mourning</i> (35 min)	<p>Introduction by Kayti Wingfield of Sierra Club</p> <p>Mountain top removal is a destructive mining practice that blows up mountains and buries streams leaving a permanently scarred environment.</p> <p>Location: Johnson Center Cinema</p>
	10:30 am	Speaker: Tony Cortese	<p><i>Creating a Healthy, Just and Sustainable Society</i></p> <p>Featured Earth Day speaker</p> <p>Location: Harris Theater</p>
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	12 - 1	Seminar: Dr. Steve Gorzula, MESAS LLC.	<p>Selective Ethics, Crusades, and Cargo Cult Science: Dr. Gorzula will speak about his experiences as a wetlands biologist in Latin America, Africa and Asia, and facilitate a discussion about modern conservation issues in relation to exotic animal trade.</p>

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			Location: Johnson Center Meeting Room G – 3 rd Floor
	11-3:30	Transportation & Sustainability Fair	Distribution of bike maps and other info related to bike to Mason day & Earth Day themes. Participants include: Sierra Club, Oasis Bikeworks, Traveling Bike Museum, Bikes at Vienna, Mason’s Transportation Dept, Bikes for the World (recycling the abandoned bikes), SDS/Freestore, and many many others! Location: Johnson Center North Plaza
	3:45-5:30 pm	Earth Day Celebration & Awards	Presentation of Awards & Prizes for the Energy Competition and Bike to Mason Day. Bike Rally. Featured speakers include: Mason’s Chief of Staff Tom Hennessey and Provost Peter Stearns, who will talk about Mason’s administrative and academic commitment to Green; and Chairman Gerry Connolly, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (4:30 pm), who will talk about Fairfax County’s goals for greening and how Mason plays a role as one of the County’s biggest partners. Location: Johnson Center North Plaza
	5-7 pm	Green Social	Faculty, staff, and student networking and interest sharing. Location: Damon’s
	Dusk (between 5-7pm)	Screen on the Green	<i>The Story of Stuff</i> An eye-opening tour of the real costs of our consumer driven culture -- from resource extraction to iPod incineration. Followed by “Enchantment.” Location: Presidents Park
4/23	Wednesday		
	10:30-noon	Town Hall Meeting with Dr. Tony Cortese of Second Nature and Mason’s Sustainability Council Members	The campus community is invited for conversation and discussion with Dr. Tony Cortese of Second Nature and some of Mason’s most important sustainability champions. Location: SUB II Ballroom
	2- 3 pm 3- 5 pm	Climate Leadership at Mason	The campus is invited to get an overview of climate change from Dr. Susie Crate of Environmental Science, who was trained by Al Gore through his “Climate Project” to give his climate presentation. Afterwards, an INVITATION-ONLY Climate Champions meeting will launch a campus-wide education and awareness campaign for our role in Mason’s climate neutrality commitment. Location: SUB II Ballroom
	3 pm	Native Plant Rescue & Relocation	Meet at the corner of Patriot Circle & Rivanna River Way for digging and planting. Contact Christi Kruse (ckruse1@gmu.edu) if you’re interested in participating. We need more green thumbs!
	7.30 pm – 10 pm	“Healthy Body Healthy Planet!” - DUCC and Chesapeake Health and Environment Expo	Come by Hanover to hear various people discuss why maintaining a healthy body and healthy planet are important and how you can do both! Healthy snacks will be provided! Location: Hanover Hall in the DUCC/Chesapeake residence cluster in the Northeast Sector of campus

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4/24	Thursday: MASON DAY		
	11 am	Annual Mason Day Campus Clean-up	Mason community members are invited to help with a campus-wide trash clean-up! Please contact Jose Gayoso of the Environmental Awareness Group if you're interested in participating: jose.gayoso@gmail.com Location: Meet by the Clock Tower to sign in and get your equipment
	Mason Day	Celebration of Recycling – Bin Painting	Student Organizations register to paint a recycling bin with their organization's information.

Collaborating Offices & Organizations: Sustainability Office, Transportation, Residence Life, Center for Leadership & Community Engagement, University Relations, Recycling Office, New Century College, Environmental Science & Policy, Sierra Club, GMU Environmental Awareness Group, University Life