

The Baha'i Community and
Faith and the Common Good
Present

*One Planet,
One People,
One Common Cause:*
A Special Artistic Program
in Celebration of the
Environment

13th October 2007

At 7:30 pm

"...singing and music are the spiritual food of the hearts and souls."

Abdu'l-Bahá

Program

Hosts: Jane Lefevre, Tony Michel

Opening prayer: Rose Marie Peterson



*One Planet, One People: Making Connections,
An address by Diana Cartwright on behalf of the
IEF/Bahá'í Community*



The Climate Symphony by Martin Quinn



*Faith and the Common Good, Greening Sacred Space
Awards presentation*



The Otesha Project



Closing Song, Rosemarie Peterson

*At the close of the evening's program, all are invited to
enjoy some refreshments and learn about the various
environmental groups*

Sponsors

“As peoples of differing faiths and cultures who call Canada home, we affirm common values of justice, peace, participation, human rights, ecological inter-relationship, and compassion as cornerstones of a healthy society. At the same time, we unite to resist exploitation, violence, greed, and all abuses that hinder personal, social, and ecological well-being.”

Faith and the Common Good
(www.fcgottawa.ca)

“...all beings are connected together like a chain, and reciprocal help, assistance, and influence belonging to the properties of things, are the causes of the existence, development and growth of created beings. ”

Abdu'l-Baha. The Bahá'í Faith
(<http://bahai-ottawa.org/>)

“Par conséquent, tous les êtres sont liés les uns aux autres comme les anneaux d'une chaîne; et cette assistance, cette influence réciproques sont de l'essence des choses : elles produisent l'existence, la croissance et le développement des créatures.”

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“The International Environment Forum (IEF) is a Bahá'í-inspired non-governmental professional organization whose members from the Bahá'í Faith and the wider community promote the application of spiritual and ethical principles to the challenges of the environment and sustainable development...The Forum was accredited by the United Nations to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg 2002) as a scientific and technological organization.”

IEF Website (www.bcca.org/ief)

The Green Rule

www.faith-commongood.net

“When God created the first human beings, God led them around all the trees of the Garden of Eden and said: see My works how beautiful and praiseworthy they are! Think of this and, do not corrupt or destroy my world”

Judaism

“Cut down the forest of desire, not the forest of trees.”

Buddhism

“Great Spirit, help us learn the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock”

Native Spirituality

“In harmony with the Tao, the sky is clear and spacious. The earth is solid and full. All creatures flourish together.”

Taoism

“Know thou that every created thing is a sign of the revelation of God.”

The Bahá'í Faith

“Nonviolence is the supreme religion. One who looks on the creatures of the Earth, big and small, as one's own self, comprehends this immense world.”

Jainism

“Air is the guru, water is the father and Earth is the great mother of all.”

Sikhism

“What is the Kingdom of God like? ...It is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden: it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches.”

Christianity