

GOVERNOR'S INSTITUTES OF VERMONT WINTER WEEKEND

A FOCUS ON GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE: WHAT YOU CAN DO!

FEBRUARY 2-4, 2007

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 20, 2007

I would like to participate in the Governor's Weekend Institute Workshop in: *(for Vermont residents only)*

BodyEarth: Connecting With Ourselves and Our Planet Youth Activism: How Can We Create Positive Change?

Performing Arts: Physical Theater! Let's Get A Move On! Climate Change: What's the Science? What Can You Do?

Name _____ dob _____

Address _____

Town, State, Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Male Female

Confirm Email _____

Parent or Guardian Names _____

Parent Employer _____

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER/CONTACT PERSON _____

Your School _____ Current Grade _____ Graduation Year _____

Have you attended GIV? _____ If so, which one? _____

Special Food Needs: Please describe any specific food allergies or needs _____

MEDICAL STATEMENT:

My daughter/son _____ is registering to attend the Governor's Institute Weekend. All medical problems, restrictions, allergies to specific medications and prescribed medications are hereby listed. Use extra paper if necessary.

In the event I cannot be reached and immediate action or treatment is judged necessary in the opinion of a local physician, I hereby authorize the Governor's Institute to arrange for any such medical and/or dental treatment. I further agree to pay for any and all such treatment.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Date _____ Telephone Number _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE NEEDED: I give my permission to allow the Governor's Institutes to use photos and quotes of my son or daughter to promote the Institutes' programs.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

PAYMENT: Total due (\$149.00) with this registration form to cover housing, meals, and all expenses during the Weekend. Registration will be completed with payment. Space will be reserved for those students who have paid in full. Partial refunds may be made for cases of illness or family emergency. Please make check out to Governor's Institutes and mail to address below.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE JANUARY 20, 2007 Unlike our summer application process, registration for this special Weekend Institute will be on a first-come basis until all spaces are filled.

SOME FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE - PLEASE CALL US FOR DETAILS.

OTHER QUESTIONS? Contact Jean Olson, The Governor's Institutes of Vermont, 660 Elm Street, Montpelier, VT 05602 www.giv.org 802.229.4757 or giv@sover.net

GOVERNOR'S INSTITUTES OF VERMONT WINTER WEEKEND

FOCUS ON GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

FEBRUARY 2-4, 2007

GODDARD COLLEGE, PLAINFIELD, VT

Participate by registering for one of the following workshops:

Workshop: Current Issues and Youth Activism: How can we effect positive change?

How can we as individuals, and aspiring activists, respond to such a major threat to our planet and civilization as global warming? When we are confronted with such an overwhelming threat, it is human nature to go into a state of denial, stop thinking about the problem and avoid taking action. The issue seems so huge that it feels like we, as tiny individuals, can have no impact and we become paralyzed. Of course this collective paralysis insures that this danger will not be addressed or stopped. We must, and can, find ways to feel empowered to respond to the threat of global warming in realistic and achievable steps that will cumulatively reverse the harmful impact of greenhouse gases on the Earth. This *Current Issues and Youth Activism* section of the Weekend will address how we can take action personally as well as influence our community, state, and nation in taking leadership to respond effectively to global climate change.

JOHN UNGERLEIDER, PH.D. has been Program Director of the summer Current Issues and Youth Activism Institute since 1990. John directs SIT's International Youth Peacebuilding Camps for teens from communities in conflict around the world, including Cyprus, Northern Ireland, and the Middle East. He founded the Child Labor Education and Action (CLEA) project for Vermont teens working to fight oppressive child labor around the world.

Workshop: BodyEarth: Connecting with Ourselves and Our Planet: What do we need from the earth and what does the earth need from us?

We will develop our sense of connection to the earth, we will explore our needs and the planet's needs, we will use our bodies, our hearts, and our voices to share stories of place, and we will be silly and serious as we celebrate being alive! Please wear comfortable clothing for inside and out and bring a notebook.

JASMINE LAMB has worked at the Governor's Institute on the Arts for many years. She is a mediator, teacher, and writer. Her growing passion is in what she calls *ListeningArts* which uses move-

ment, writing, storytelling, and stillness as ways to expand our capacity to listen to ourselves and others.

Workshop: Performing Arts: Physical Theatre! Let's Get a Move On!

Our class will acknowledge the theme of this Winter Weekend – climate change, global warming, how humans impact the planet. We will do warm-ups, improvs, physical and vocal training – and we will look at how political activists in other times and places have used theatre to join the fight, to bring a clear important message to their audiences. We want to empower high school students – no previous theatre experience necessary – to address the climate change issue – with all the theatre skills we have to share: all ideas on the table, all skills brought to bear! No preconceptions, just a wild creative process, and something – a sketch, a skit, a show, a one-act play, a musical – serious or funny, stating the problem or throwing out solutions – some final something to share at the end of the Weekend.

PETER GOULD has worked in political theatre for 25 years, on issues of war and peace. **SOPHIE WOOD** makes drama-and dance-and clown-pieces about food and farming and earth's environment. **KAILIE LARKIN** studies full-time at Wesleyan University. They have worked together in many performances and classes of clowning, satire, Shakespeare, comedy, and tragedy.

Workshop: What's the Science and What Can You Do?

Want to understand the science behind predictions of human-induced climate change? Do you know how people are altering earth's climate and how our politicians are responding to this sometimes unpopular science? Over the weekend, we'll examine the evidence that shows climate is changing, we'll use climate models to understand Earth better, and we'll have a look at how our government has dealt with science they do and don't like to hear. Bet you didn't know that federal dollars for climate change rise and fall with summer temperatures in our nation's capital! Climate change is a problem that scientists can identify but everyone needs to be involved in the solution. Our goal for the Weekend is to give you the information you need to make positive changes in your own life and to educate others about the global importance of our actions as citizens of Vermont and the world.

PAUL BIERMAN, a professor at the University of Vermont, has studied the Earth and its history for over two decades. He's chased 10,000 years worth of storms in New England and dated when glacial ice overrode the land. For the past 6 years, Paul has taught Earth Hazards to 200 UVM students each year, a class where climate change is a major part of the curriculum. **CHRISTINE MASSEY** directs the summer Governor's

Registration deadline is January 20, 2007.

Information: Call Jean Olson at GIV 802 229 4757 or email giv@sover.net

The Governor's Institutes of Vermont enriches the lives of motivated Vermont high school students through intensive educational experiences on Vermont college campuses. Programs emphasize experiential learning and subsequent community involvement. GIV seeks to enroll students who reflect the diversity of Vermont.