

# Earth Day Celebration 2005

## EWEB River Edge Plaza • April 23, 11 AM – 5 PM

This sixth annual Earth Day Celebration is an environmentally based event that celebrates the Earth and its resources. This year's event features educational activity booths, tours of Short Mountain, alternative vehicles, entertainment, a Procession of All Species, free raft trips, and an Earth Day Art Sale. The event is produced by the volunteer efforts of the Earth Day Steering Committee with support from See Development, Inc.

Free LTD shuttle all day from LTD's Downtown Station and Saturday Market.



### Hybrid & Electric Transportation

Vehicles from the City of Eugene, SeSequential Biofuels and Kendall Automotive will be on display to illustrate and answer questions about current biofuel, all-electric and hybrid technology. The Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV) is environmentally friendly, has very low emissions, and is energy efficient, getting more than twice the gas mileage of comparable gas-powered vehicles. Find out why every major car manufacturer in the world is planning to produce hybrid vehicles and see some of the most recent models at the 2005 Earth Day Celebration!

### MECCA Recycled Art (North Bldg., EWEB Board Room)

Craft activities for children and adults, including: junk collage, wire sculpture, re-covered buttons, and make-your-own bumper stickers. There will be a costuming station for participants in the Procession of Species, with materials and costume ideas.

### BRING Recycling's Earth Day Recycled Art Sale

A fascinating variety of items, both useful and decorative, made from discards, detritus, refuse, and rubbish. Call it what you will, but many local artists call it creative materials. Some artists will demonstrate their craft as well.

All proceeds from this sale go to support BRING's capital campaign to build a new recycling and environmental education center called the Planet Improvement Center.

### PROCESSION OF ALL SPECIES

A Celebration of all creatures great and small! The Procession of All Species is an artistic celebration in which participants honor all species of life on our home planet. Anyone can join the Procession by donning a costume, mask, or other representation of their favorite plant, animal, mineral, ecosystem or natural wonder (but NO live animals, motorized vehicles or written signs/messages!).

Costumes and masks can be made onsite at MECCA's mask-making activity, beginning at 11 AM in the EWEB board room in the North Building. The Procession of All Species will assemble at 2:00 PM behind the Main Stage at EWEB's River Edge Plaza

Fountain, on the riverside proscenium. The route will meander through the Plaza and proceed across the Peter DeFazio Footbridge, over the Willamette River and ending in Alton Baker Park. This year's procession will again be lead by Eugene's favorite Brazilian Troupe, Samba Ja!

### Short Mountain Tours

Tour EPUD's Short Mountain Facility Plant, where landfill gases that cause global warming are captured and turned into electricity! Plan on one of two one hour round-trips, which includes travel to and from Short Mountain (courtesy of Commuter Solutions and LTD!) and an informational tour of the plant. Buses leave from the corner of 4th Ave and Mill St., across from the EWEB Credit Union at 11:30 AM and 2:30 PM.

### Raft the Willamette River

Free raft trips courtesy of Oregon River Sports! Visit Oregon River Sport's booth and sign up for trips down the Willamette River on Saturday, all day. Space is limited (only 12 people per float), so sign up early. You'll meet at the shuttle stop (4th & Mill St.) at 15 minutes before the hour (11:45, 12:45, 1:45, 2:45 and 3:45), where you will be shuttled upriver to the "D" Street boat ramp. A 15 minute orientation with experienced river guides will be followed by a 45 minute float down the I-5 rapids to Skinner Butte Park. You'll disembark at the boat ramp just below the Ferry Street Bridge, with a short 5 minute walk back to EWEB's River Edge Plaza, where you began your journey! Remember, space is limited, so sign up as early as 11 AM for your free shuttle and raft ride.

### Composter Giveaway

Two composting bins, donated by the City of Eugene's Solid Waste and Recycling division will be given away at 3:15 PM and 5 PM at the Main Stage (winners must be present to win). Entry tickets are available at each Earth Action Arena booth. Visit every booth (one ticket per booth, please) to increase your chances of winning!

### The SunRover

Constructed as a demonstration of solar electric technology, the

SunRover generates power from the sun. The blue photovoltaic (PV) panels mounted on top of the SunRover harness the sunlight to produce clean electricity. The SunRover can operate as a portable generator, delivering power to community events and educational demonstrations. Producing electricity with zero emissions and very little environmental impact, the SunRover has no moving parts and little maintenance is required. When parked at EWEB's facilities, the SunRover recharges onboard batteries and feeds excess power into EWEB's electric lines. The PV panels can produce up to 1080 watts of power in ideal conditions. In an average year in the Willamette Valley, the panels should produce about 1400 kilowatt hours. Using energy efficient (Energy Star®) appliances, this would be enough energy to power your refrigerator, clothes washer, dishwasher, television and microwave for an entire year.

### The Watery World at Earth Day

Produced by the Drop in the Bucket Brigade/School of Earthy Arts, these hands-on demonstrations and activities will keep the kids learning for hours.

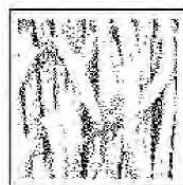
**11:00 – 5 PM** Exhibits, info kiosk with local Watershed Councils including the Water Cycle of Western Oregon, Willamette River Basin Toxic issues, The Oceans, Rivers & Fish, Columbia River Watershed, Nuclear concerns, No Spray anti-Pesticide issues, waterfalls, Hot Springs, and more!

Also hands-on Watershed Science, Water Table and drinking water purification devices and play stations on Erosion/Geology, Soils & River dynamics. New this year, a river side Hydro Spool demonstrating the power of the river to generate electricity and mechanical rotary-power.

**12:00** Workshop- Two-hour project constructing a giant (200 lb) clay model of the Eugene Area Watersheds. Messy and informative for all ages!

**2:00** Workshop- Kids, make your own 1' foot square clay model of the Willamette/Columbia Watershed.

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