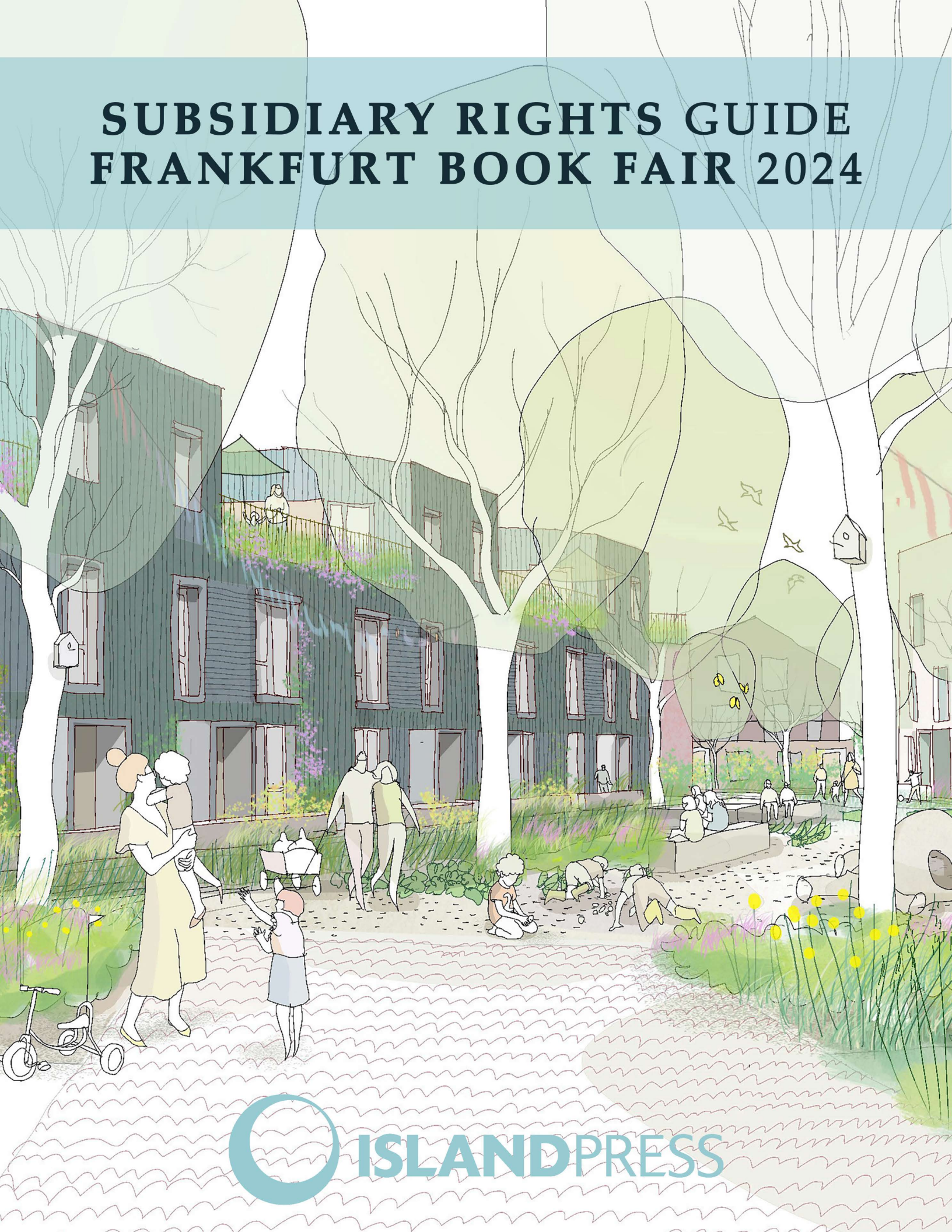


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Poisoning the Well

How Forever Chemicals Contaminated America

Sharon Udasin and Rachel Frazin

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When doctors told Brenda Hampton that she was experiencing kidney failure, with readings that were “off the charts,” she had never heard of forever chemicals. Neither had Mark Favors, even though dozens of his friends and relatives had developed unusual cancers after serving in the armed forces and living downstream from military bases. Fred Stone, a farmer who fertilized his fields with sludge from local wastewater, only learned about them after being informed that his land was toxic and advised to euthanize his cows.

In fact, few Americans are familiar with forever chemicals, also known as PFAS or per- and polyfluoroalkyl compounds. Yet these substances are all around us, used in countless products—from Teflon pans, to raincoats, to mascara, to certain types of firefighting foam. More importantly, they are in us. Studies have revealed that 97% of all Americans have PFAS chemicals coursing through their veins. And as their name implies, they do not go away.

Poisoning the Well is the story of how these dangerous compounds contaminated four American towns, leaching into drinking water, infiltrating bodies, and leaving a trail of death and disease in their wake. With extensive on-the-ground and investigative reporting, it traces the lives that have been ripped apart by PFAS and the machinations that have allowed chemical giants to continue polluting communities—long after the risks were known. And it honors the individuals, like Brenda, who have made it their personal mission to ensure that forever chemicals are not forever, after all.

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A Year of Compassion

52 Weeks of Living Zero-Waste, Plant-Based, and Cruelty-Free

Colleen Patrick-Goudreau

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Affectionately known as the Joyful Vegan, Colleen Patrick-Goudreau has been guiding people to live compassionately and healthfully for over two decades, always leading with the motto: Don't do nothing because you can't do everything. Do something. Anything. While we will never be perfect in this imperfect world, there is so much we can do in our everyday lives to protect animals, support the planet, and optimize our own health.

With practical inspiration and warm encouragement, Colleen guides us through 52 weeks of simple, effective, and impactful actions we can take to live zero waste, plant-based, and cruelty-free—from reducing food waste and choosing nutrient-dense foods to helping lost animals and practicing humane critter control.

A Year of Compassion demonstrates that living compassionately is not only possible and practical, it also has the potential to create a ripple effect that can change the world for the better.

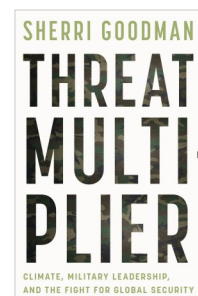
COLLEEN PATRICK-GOUDREAU is a recognized expert and thought leader on the culinary, social, ethical, and practical aspects of living compassionately, healthfully, and sustainably. An award-winning author of seven books—including the bestselling *The Joy of Vegan Baking*, *The 30-Day Vegan Challenge*, and *The Joyful Vegan: How to Stay Vegan in a World that Wants You to Eat Meat, Dairy, and Eggs*—Colleen is also an acclaimed speaker, a regular contributor to National Public Radio, and the host of sustainable, vegan, animal-friendly trips around the world. Host of the podcast Food for Thought (one of the longest running podcasts), Colleen also co-founded the political action committee East Bay Animal PAC to work with government officials on animal issues in the San Francisco Bay Area. She lives with her beloved husband and two cats in Oakland, CA and can be found at JoyfulVegan.com.

Threat Multiplier

Climate, Military Leadership, and the Fight for Global Security

Sherri Goodman

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Threat Multiplier takes us onto the battlefield and inside the Pentagon to show how the US military is confronting the biggest security risk in global history: climate change. More than thirty years ago, when Sherri Goodman became the Pentagon's first Chief Environmental Officer, no one would have imagined this role for the United States armed forces. And yet, today, the US military has moved from an environmental laggard to a clean energy and climate leader, recognizing that a warming world exacerbates every threat—from hurricanes and forest fires to the threat of terrorism.

What was the key to this dramatic change in military thinking? What keeps today's generals and admirals up at night? How can we safeguard our national defense and our planet? No one is better poised to answer these questions than Sherri Goodman, who was at the vanguard of environmental leadership among our armed forces and civilian representatives. In *Threat Multiplier*, she tells the inside story of the military's fight for global security, a tale that is as hopeful as it is harrowing.

SHERRI GOODMAN has been a leader in environmental, energy, and climate security since she served as the first Deputy Undersecretary of Defense (Environmental Security). Today, she is Secretary General of the International Military Council on Climate & Security and a Senior Fellow at the Wilson Center. She is credited with educating a generation of US military and government officials about the nexus between climate change and national security, using her famous coinage, "threat multiplier," to fundamentally reshape this field.

Praise for *Threat Multiplier*:

"The climate crisis has enormous national security implications, and no one knows that better than Sherri Goodman, who long ago coined the phrase 'threat multiplier' to capture the ways this environmental wrecking ball would inform policymakers in situation rooms everywhere... A must read for everyone who wants to understand why climate imperatives aren't just for environmentalists."

—John F. Kerry, former Secretary of State and Special Presidential Envoy for Climate

"A memoir by a fighter in a decades-long campaign to make U.S. defense policy take climate change and the environment seriously.... Goodman's perspective is valuable. It's a reminder that progress can be made, however slowly it may go."

—*The Washington Post*

"Provides valuable insights on the role of science and technology in the 'greening' of the US military... Her accessible writing style and the personal anecdotes she brings to the narrative provide a welcome humanization of the military's work in the context of environmental policy. This book will be an important chronicle of a pivotal period in global environmental and military history."

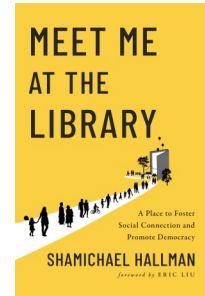
—*Science Magazine*

Meet Me at the Library

A Place to Foster Social Connection and Promote Democracy

Oscar Perry Abello

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Many communities are facing an epidemic of loneliness and isolation, with troubling effects on our mental and physical health. We live in one of the most divisive times in our history, one in which we tend to work, play, and associate only with people who think as we do. How do we create spaces for people to come together—to open our minds, understand our differences, and exchange ideas?

Shamichael Hallman argues that the public library may be our best hope for bridging these divides and creating strong, inclusive communities. While public libraries have long been thought of as a place for a select few, increasingly they are playing an essential role in building social cohesion, promoting civic renewal, and advancing the ideals of a healthy democracy.

Drawing from his experience at the Memphis Public Library and his extensive research and interviews across the United States, Hallman presents a rich argument for seeing libraries as one of the nation's greatest assets. He includes examples from libraries large and small—such as the Iowa's North Liberty Library's Lighthouse in the Library program to bring people together to discuss important topics in a safe and supportive space, to Cambridge Cooks, an initiative of the Cambridge MA Public Library that fosters social connection by bringing people together over shared interest in food.

As an institution that is increasingly under attack for creating a place where diverse audiences can see themselves, public libraries are under more scrutiny than ever. *Meet Me at the Library* offers us a revealing look at one of our most important civic institutions and the social and civic impact they play.

SHAMICHAEL HALLMAN is a social, civic, and tech innovator. He serves as the Director of Civic Health and Economic Opportunity at the Urban Libraries Council. Prior to this, he was the Senior Library Manager of the historic Cossitt Library in Memphis Public Libraries. Before then, much of his work was focused on the intersection of faith and technology. In 2013, he was a co-organizer for a faith-based hackathon called Code for the Kingdom. As a part of this movement, he helped organize the largest faith-inspired hackathon which occurred in 15 cities across the globe.

Praise for *Meet Me at the Library*:

"Hallman's book outlines a long list of why libraries are vital centers of human connection.... Vital reading for any library lover but especially for those who want to push back against those intent on silencing the important work of this institution."

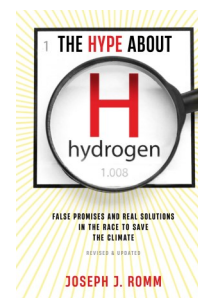
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The Hype About Hydrogen

False Promises and Real Solutions in the Race to Save the Climate

Joesph J. Romm

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For decades, we've been promised that a hydrogen economy is just around the corner: a high-tech Eden in which our cars, homes, and industries would be powered not by fossil fuels but by hydrogen from pollution-free sources. After billions in investment, hydrogen has failed to live up to these overblown promises. Yet it is as hyped as ever, a target of media enthusiasm and hefty investment from government and industry. Is it time to accept that the "fuel of the future" will never arrive?

In 2003, energy expert Joesph J. Romm wrote *The Hype About Hydrogen* to explain why hydrogen wasn't the panacea we were promised—and may never be. In this newly revised and updated edition, Romm builds an even stronger case, explaining the barriers hydrogen faces, from its inefficiency as an energy carrier to the "chicken-and-egg" problem in infrastructure development and the risk of increased global warming from hydrogen leaks and emissions. In a series of significant updates, Romm breaks down the latest methods of production, including "green" hydrogen, hydrogen made with nuclear power, geologic hydrogen, and "blue" hydrogen from natural gas with carbon capture and storage (CCS), laying out the challenges with each. He then explores the limitations of suggested applications of hydrogen, including e-fuels made with direct air capture of CO₂, hydrogen cars, and heating in buildings and industry.

The Hype About Hydrogen is essential reading for anyone who hopes that hydrogen will be a major solution to the climate crisis. The good news? We don't need it to be. With advancements in renewables and battery technology, electrification offers us a path forward that is cleaner, safer—and can be implemented today.

JOSEPH ROMM was Principal Deputy and then Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in the mid-1990s, overseeing a \$1 billion budget on climate solutions for transportation, buildings, and industry. He is a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Center for Science, Sustainability, and the Media, where he researches climate solutions. In 2009, *Rolling Stone* named him one of 100 "People Who Are Reinventing America," and *Time* named him "Hero of the Environment." He has authored 11 books, including the original edition of *The Hype About Hydrogen*, which was named one of the best science and technology books of 2004 by *Library Journal*. He holds a PhD in physics from MIT.

Praise for *The Hype About Hydrogen*:

"Vital, very readable guidance for investors, environmentalists, and interested bystanders looking toward a future without fossil fuels."

—*Booklist*

"This book should be read and understood by every citizen."

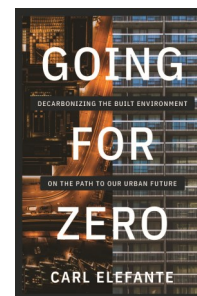
—*Journal of Scientific Exploration*

Going for Zero

Decarbonizing the Built Environment on the Path to Our Urban Future

Carl Elefante

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Climate change is no longer an abstract threat. Day after day, an already disrupted climate is impacting the lives of millions, and the time available to curtail climate change is alarmingly limited. Going for zero greenhouse gas emissions requires retooling everything about industry, agriculture, transportation, and every city and town that people inhabit. The work of architects, engineers, landscape architects, urban designers and the countless others who shape the built environment has never been more relevant. Decarbonizing how buildings are designed, constructed, and operated is a sea change that is already altering professional principles and practices.

In *Going for Zero: Carbon-free Buildings and the Path to Our Urban Future*, seasoned architect and former AIA president Carl Elefante addresses how buildings and cities can and must help resolve the looming climate emergency. Elefante offers a decidedly alternative viewpoint, one informed by his architecture career rescuing buildings from senseless demolition and learning from the practices and wisdom embedded in built heritage.

For architects and the countless others who work together creating human habitation, the twenty-first century imperatives demand a profound mode shift, from an expansion mindset to one of reintegration and healing. Elefante argues that curtailing the climate emergency, resolving intransigent social and economic injustice, and launching the urban era onto a truly beneficial and sufficient path presents challenges that must be addressed through built form.

The challenge of our built environment and the possible solutions are covered in four sections: climate imperative, justice imperative, urban imperative, and beyond modernism. Elefante explains that revitalizing communities by optimizing existing resources makes social, economic, and environmental sense and directs resources where they are most needed.

Going for Zero is an urgent call to action and path forward. Elefante's message is ultimately one of hope—but we must act now.

CARL ELEFANTE practices architecture at the intersection of sustainable design and historic preservation and is known worldwide for coining the phrase: “the greenest building is...one that is already built.” A Principal Emeritus with Quinn Evans, the American Institute of Architects (AIA) 2024 Firm Award recipient, Carl designed noteworthy projects during a decades-long architectural career. In 2018, Carl served as the President of AIA, the highlight of many leadership roles in professional associations. Carl is a Fellow of both the AIA and the Association for Preservation Technology (APT). Among several teaching positions, in 2023-24 Carl served as the inaugural Visiting Scholar at the Michael Christopher Duda Center for Preservation, Resilience, and Sustainability at the University of Notre Dame. Carl is a Senior Fellow with Architecture 2030 and a charter member of the Climate Heritage Network.

Overbuilt

The High Costs and Low Rewards of US Highway Construction

Erick Guerra

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The world's largest public works investment visible from space, the Interstate Highway System and the hundreds of thousands of miles of supporting roadways, are frequently hailed as a marvel and triumph of engineering. President Eisenhower's 1956 Interstate Highway Act is often praised as a model of successful bipartisanship.

Today, the extensive damage wreaked by the creation of the highway system and the ills of car dependency are more widely acknowledged. Congestion and traffic deaths remain endemic despite nearly three-quarters a century of public policies and trillions of dollars spent with a primary stated goal of reducing congestion and improving traffic safety. The financing, governance, and construction models established by the 1956 act continue to influence what gets built today.

In *Overbuilt: The High Costs and Low Rewards of US Highway Construction*, transportation planning expert Erick Guerra describes how the US roadway system became overbuilt, how public policy continues to encourage overbuilding, what the scale and consequences of overbuilding are, and how we can rethink our approach to highway building in the US.

Guerra explains that the national propensity to build roadways is no longer official or intentional policy. Instead, overbuilding stems from the institutions, finance mechanisms, and evaluation metrics developed in the first half of the twentieth century. While more funds are set aside for transit, walking, biking, and beautification, the investment paradigm has not changed. Planners and engineers have not adjusted the tools they use to determine which roads should be built, rebuilt, or widened and why. The country has added more lanes of urban Interstate since declaring the Interstate system complete than prior to it.

Despite having too much roadway, the country is still operating in construction mode, using the same basic approach used to finance and build the interstate system quickly, Guerra states. The interstate was completed more than three decades ago. *Overbuilt* argues convincingly that it is time to move on.

ERICK GUERRA, Ph.D., is Associate Professor of Regional Planning and Associate Dean for Research at the Weitzman School at the University of Pennsylvania, where he teaches courses in transportation planning and quantitative planning methods. His research focuses on relationships between land use, transportation systems, and travel behavior with an emphasis on rapidly motorizing cities, public health outcomes, and transportation technologies. He has published dozens of peer-reviewed journal articles on topics, including land use and transportation in Mexico and Indonesia, highway policy, public transport policy, automated traffic enforcement, land use and traffic safety, and contemporary planning for self-driving vehicles. His 2017 book *Beyond Mobility* with Robert Cervero and Stefan Al explores global challenges and opportunities to creating safer, healthier, and more productive cities. Erick holds a Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning from the University of California Berkeley, a master's in urban planning from Harvard University, and a BA from the University of Pennsylvania.

Standing for Nature

Legal Strategies for Environmental Justice

Dana Zartner, Fabian Cardenas, and Mohammad Golam Sarwar

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Rights of Nature laws are becoming a vital tool for addressing environmental injustice. From New Zealand and India to Ecuador and Bolivia, advocates have successfully secured legal rights for rivers, forests, and mountains. Granting rights to nature has the potential to expand environmental protections, strengthen indigenous rights, promote sustainable development, and alter how humans relate to nature. Despite these promises, rights of Nature laws have met with greater resistance in some countries than in others.

Standing for Nature offers advocates a blueprint for creating, implementing, and safeguarding rights of Nature laws. This book looks closely at four examples—New Zealand, Colombia, Bangladesh, and the United States—to explain why these laws have been successful in some places but not others. Through this comparative exploration, the authors highlight key strategies for advancing rights of Nature laws in the United States and around the world. These lessons include an examination of different legal traditions to better understand which is the best form of law—judicial, legislative, or regulatory—for advocates to target; how to ensure effective implementation once a law is passed; and how to shift communal perspectives on the human-Nature relationship for better implementation and enforcement.

This book is essential for environmental lawyers, policy makers, and advocates interested in gaining new knowledge and tools for championing rights of Nature laws in their own communities.

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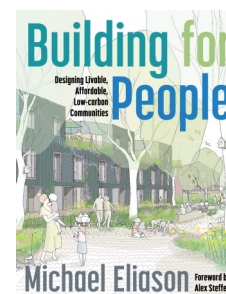
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Building for People

Designing Livable, Affordable, Low-Carbon Communities

Michael Eliason

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Picture a beautiful, green neighborhood where most of your needs could be met by walking, rolling, or accessing transit. There is a diversity of housing types with abundant affordable and middle-income options. Schools, services, and pedestrianized streets make the neighborhood family friendly. There it is. As cities turn brownfields into green fields and look to maximize public investment in transit and infrastructure, ecodistricts are the answer. Eliason shows that this type of affordable, climate-adaptive living option is possible anywhere.

In *Building for People*, architect and ecodistrict planner Michael Eliason makes the case for low-carbon ecodistricts and presents tools for developing these residential and mixed-use quarters or neighborhoods. Drawing from his experience working in Europe and North America, he shows the potential for new climate-adaptive ecodistricts that directly and equitably address our housing shortages while simultaneously planning for climate change. Eliason explains that to create highly livable places with a low carbon impact, ecodistricts must incorporate ample social housing for a good economic and social mix of residents, invest in open space, create infrastructure that can adapt to a changing climate, and offer car-free or car-light realms. He also looks at how public health, livability, climate adaptation, and quality of life are interconnected. Full-color photos and illustrations throughout show what is possible in ecodistricts around the world, drawing heavily from examples in German cities.

Building for People shows professionals involved in regulating, planning, or designing our communities that high-quality, low-carbon living is within reach.

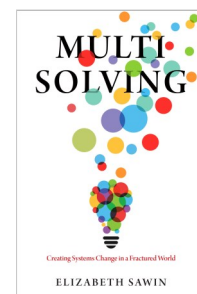
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Multisolving

Creating Systems Change in a Fractured World

Elizabeth Sawin

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For most of Elizabeth Sawin’s career, she was not a multisolver. Instead, she worked on a single, albeit immensely important problem: climate change. Despite tremendous effort—long hours of teaching, attending conferences, publicizing analysis—at the end of the day, she felt like she was chasing her tail. Unless people began to recognize the multitude of unexpected benefits from ratcheting down emissions, climate change would remain a losing political issue.

That experience, along with the guidance of leaders in systems thinking and racial justice, convinced her that the world’s thorniest problems may be easier to tackle together than one by one. That’s multisolving: using a single investment of time or money to solve many problems at the same time. (Reduced fossil fuel use = improvements in climate, health, equity, economics, and more.) While the idea of killing two birds with one stone (or “filling two needs with one deed”) is age-old, and the notion of co-benefits in policy-making has been around for years, *Multisolving* addresses the current mismatch between complex, deeply intertwined societal issues and our siloed approach to them.

This unique resource is for local school boards that need revenue for their students but don’t want to overtax low-income seniors. It is for nonprofits working to reduce food waste and combat the root causes of hunger while increasing racial justice. It is for seaside communities that can protect themselves from flooding while also improving biodiversity with a living coastline. It may also be for you: doing the work you know is imperative but that is sometimes overwhelming, a tiny drop in a swirling ocean.

Multisolving can’t promise a list of “fifty simple things to make everything OK.” What it does offer are strategies to build solidarity between diverse groups, overcome powerful interests, and create last change that benefits us all.

ELIZABETH SAWIN is Founder and Director of the Multisolving Institute and an expert on solutions that address climate change while also improving health, well-being, equity, and economic vitality. She developed the idea of ‘multisolving’ to help people see and create conditions for such win-win-win solutions.

Science with Impact

How to Engage People, Change Practice, and Influence Policy

Anne Helen Toomey

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Will you please just listen to me? If you are a scientist, or a fan of science, have you ever wondered why your fact-based explanation of ground-breaking scientific research falls flat with family, friends, and the general public? Do you want your research to matter to society and not simply be confined to arcane discussion in academic circles? Social science communicator Anne Helen Toomey argues that science today faces a public-relations crisis due to its historic emphasis on “trickle-down research,” and she calls for a whole-scale change in how scientists engage with the world. This book is a guide for the scientific community and its allies to build public trust in science—and scientists—again.

In this accessible volume, Toomey unpacks why “facts” mean different things to different people and how science-based attitudes and behaviors spread. Using humor, stories, and down-to-earth examples from her own science journey, she explains why seemingly straightforward evidence can sometimes feel irrelevant, or even threatening, to a skeptical public. This practical, how-to guide will help scientists think more carefully about the choices they make even before collecting data. It explores how researchers and others who work with science can address public distrust, communicate about uncertainty, and engage with policymakers for real-world impact.

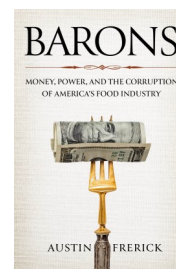
Science with Impact argues that science can—and should—make a meaningful difference in society. It offers hope and guidance to those of us who wish to take the steps to make it so.

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Barons

Money, Power, and the Corruption of America's Food Industry

Austin Frerick



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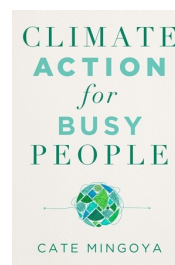
“In this eye-opening debut study, Frerick... reveals the ill-gained stranglehold that a handful of companies have on America's food economy...It's a disquieting critique of private monopolization of public necessities.” —Publishers Weekly, starred

Barons is the story of seven titans of the food industry, their rise to power, and the consequences for workers, eaters, and democracy itself. Readers will meet a secretive German family that took over the global coffee industry in less than a decade, relying on wealth traced back to the Nazis to gobble up countless independent roasters. They will visit the Disneyland of agriculture, where school children ride trams through mechanized warehouses filled with tens of thousands of cows that never see the light of day. And they will learn that in the food business, crime really does pay—especially when you can bribe and then double-cross the president of Brazil. *Barons* paints a stark portrait of corporate consolidation, but it also shows that a fair, healthy, and prosperous food industry is possible—if we take back power from the barons who have robbed us of it.

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Climate Action for Busy People

Cate Mingoya-LaFortune



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As unprecedented heat waves, storms of the century, and devastating fires impact cities across the country, the time to create climate resilient communities is now. While large-scale innovations in policy and technology are necessary to preserve the planet, the wisest and most lasting adaptation solutions originate at the local level. Each chapter will help readers scale up their actions, from identifying climate solutions that an individual or small group can pull off in a handful of weekends, like tree plantings or depaving parties, to advocating for change at the municipal level through coalition-building and data collection. *Climate Action for Busy People* is an invaluable guide for anyone who wants to make lasting and equitable improvements that will make their communities climate resilient.

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Movement

How to Take Back our Streets and Transform our Lives

Thalia Verkade and Marco te Brömmelstroet

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“This book will—no question—make you think in new ways. Why have we surrendered our cities to cars? What might it be like to inhabit a space designed for people instead? It’s exciting and hopeful—this we can do!” —Bill McKibben, author of *The Flag, The Cross, and the Station Wagon*

In *Movement*, journalist Thalia Verkade and mobility expert (“the cycling professor”) Marco te Brömmelstroet take a three-year shared journey of discovery into the possibilities of our streets. They investigate and question the choices and mechanisms underpinning how these public spaces are designed and look at how they could be different. Verkade and te Brömmelstroet draw inspiration from the Netherlands and look at what other countries are doing, and could do, to diversify how they use their streets and make them safer.

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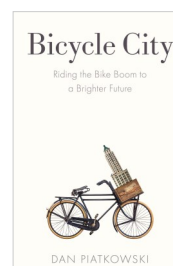
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Bicycle City

Riding the Bike Boom to a Brighter Future

Daniel Piatkowski

May 2024 | 244 pages | World rights available



In *Bicycle City: Riding the Bike Boom to a Brighter Future* cycling expert Daniel Piatkowski argues that the bicycle is the best tool that we have to improve our cities. The car-free urban future—where cities are vibrant, with access to everything we need close by—may be less bike-centric than we think. But bikes are a crucial first step to getting Americans out of cars.

Piatkowski offers pragmatic lessons drawn from the latest research along with interviews, anecdotes, and case studies from around the world. Electric bikes are demonstrating the ability of bikes to replace cars in more places and for more people. Cargo bikes are replacing SUVs for families and delivery trucks for freight. At the same time, mobility startups are providing new ownership models to make these new bikes easier to use and own, ushering in a new era of pedal-powered cities. *Bicycle City* is about making cities better with bikes rather than for bikes.

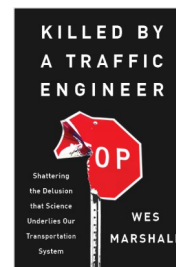
DANIEL PIATKOWSKI is associate professor of Integrated Land Use and Transportation Planning at Oslo Metropolitan University. Before moving to Norway, Dan taught urban planning at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln and at Savannah State University.

Killed by a Traffic Engineer

Shattering the Delusion that Science Underlies our Transportation System

Wes Marshall

April 2024 | 344 pages | Rights sold: Audio



Fixing the carnage on our roadways requires a change in mindset and a dramatic transformation of transportation. This goes for traffic engineers in particular because they are still the ones in charge of our streets. In *Killed by a Traffic Engineer*, civil engineering professor Wes Marshall shines a spotlight on how little science there is behind the way that our streets are engineered, which leaves safety as an afterthought. While traffic engineers are not trying to cause deliberate harm to anyone, he explains, they are guilty of creating a transportation system whose designs remain largely based on plausible, but unproven, conjecture.

Killed by a Traffic Engineer is ultimately hopeful about what is possible once we shift our thinking and demand streets engineered for the safety of people, both outside and inside of cars. It will make you look at your city and streets—and traffic engineers—in a new light and inspire you to take action.

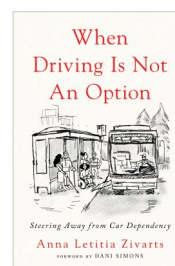
WES MARSHALL, PhD, PE, is professor of Civil Engineering with a joint appointment in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Colorado Denver. He is also the director of the CU Denver Transportation Research Center and co-director of the Active Communities/Transportation (ACT) research group.

When Driving Isn't an Option

Steering Away from Car Dependency

Anna Letitia Zivarts, foreword by Dani Simons

May 2024 | 240 pages | World rights available



In *When Driving is Not an Option* disability advocate Anna Letitia Zivarts draws from interviews with involuntary nondrivers from around the US and from her own experience, to shine a light on the number of people in the US who cannot drive and outline actions to improve our mobility systems.

When the needs of involuntary nondrivers are viewed as essential to how we design our transportation systems and our communities, not only will we be able to more easily get where we need to go, but the changes will lead to healthier, climate-friendly communities for everyone.

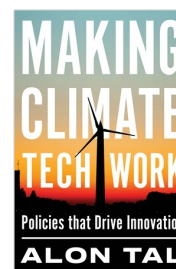
ANNA LETITIA ZIVARTS is a low-vision mom and nondriver who was born with the neurological condition nystagmus. Since launching the Disability Mobility Initiative at Disability Rights Washington in 2020, Anna has worked to bring the voices of nondrivers to the planning and policy-making tables through organizing, research and policy campaigns led by nondrivers.

Making Climate Tech Work

Policies That Drive Innovation

Alon Tal

May 2024 | 312 pages | World rights available



Climate tech is critical for averting planetary chaos. Half the greenhouse gas reductions required to reach “net-zero” climate targets in 2050 will need to come from technologies that have not yet been invented. *Making Climate Tech Work* is an insightful analysis of how smart government policies can make those technologies a reality. Which approaches can lead us to a sustainable economy, and which are likely to fall short? Learn how Denmark became a wind energy superpower, Germany incentivized renewables, Australia phased out incandescent bulbs, and why carbon taxes have failed around the world – but could be designed for success. Alon Tal expertly distills each policy’s benefits and drawbacks, along with related ethical questions and public perceptions. The result is an essential primer for anyone interested in accelerating climate tech solutions.

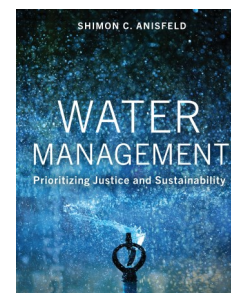
ALON TAL’s career has been a balance between academia, politics, and public interest advocacy. He is presently a visiting professor at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and outgoing chair of the Department of Public Policy at Tel Aviv University. Tal has published hundreds of academic and popular articles and written/edited some eleven books on topics involving sustainability.

Water Management

Prioritizing Justice and Sustainability

Shimon C. Anisfeld

May 2024 | 440 pages | Rights sold: Audio



Water Management fills a critical gap: providing a base of knowledge to understand and manage complex water problems. It is geared primarily towards students at the undergraduate and graduate levels, but will also be a helpful resource for practicing water professionals who are looking for new ideas or a broader view of the subject. This text explores the entire gamut of water issues, from dams to desalination, from prior appropriation to pumped storage, from sanitation to stormwater. Rather than teaching from one disciplinary perspective, it examines water through a variety of lenses: hydrology, climate science, ecology, and engineering, but also law, economics, history, and environmental justice. The result is a comprehensive introduction to one of the most demanding challenges of our time: developing just and sustainable solutions to water management.

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Purified

How Recycled Sewage Is Transforming Our Water

Peter Annin

November 2023 | 256 pages | Rights sold: Audio



Water shortages are plaguing communities from coast to coast, and recycled water could help close that gap. In *Purified: How Recycled Sewage Is Transforming Our Water*, veteran journalist Peter Annin shows that wastewater has become a surprising weapon in America's war against water scarcity. In five water-strapped states—California, Texas, Virginia, Nevada, and Florida—current filtration technology is transforming sewage into something akin to distilled water, free of chemicals and safe to drink. But sensationalist media coverage has repeatedly crippled water recycling efforts. Can public opinion turn in time to avoid the worst consequences?

Purified's fast-paced narrative cuts through the fearmongering and misinformation to make the case that recycled water is direly needed in the climate-change era. Water cannot be taken for granted anymore—and that includes sewage.

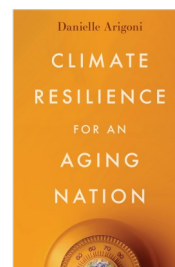
PETER ANNIN is a veteran investigative journalist whose work the past twenty years has focused on water issues, most recently on the water crisis in the West. Before that, Annin spent more than a decade at *Newsweek* magazine where he specialized in breaking news stories.

Climate Resilience for an Aging Nation

The Unlikely Heroes Revolutionizing Prevention

Danielle Arigoni

October 2023 | 224 pages | World rights available



In *Climate Resilience for an Aging Nation*, community resilience and housing expert Danielle Arigoni argues that we cannot achieve true resilience until communities adopt interventions that work to meet the needs of their oldest residents.

Arigoni explores how to integrate age-friendly resilience into community planning and disaster preparedness efforts through new planning approaches. These include an age-friendly process, and a planning framework dedicated to inclusive disaster recovery.

Climate Resilience for an Aging Nation will help professionals and concerned citizens understand how to best plan for both the aging of our population and the climate changes underway to create communities that serve the needs of older adults better, not only during disasters but for all the days in between.

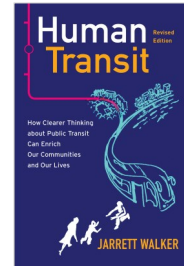
DANIELLE ARIGONI is a policy and program expert in the fields of livable communities, affordable housing, and climate resilience.

Human Transit, Revised Edition

How Clearer Thinking about Public Transit Can Enrich Our Communities and Our Lives

Jarrett Walker

February 2024 | 320 pages | Right sold: Chinese (Simplified)



The first edition of *Human Transit*, published in 2011, has become a classic for professionals, advocates, and interested citizens. Walker has updated and expanded the book to deepen its explanations. New topics include the problem with specialization; the role of flexible or “demand response” services; how to know when to redesign your network; and responding to tech-industry claims that transit will soon be obsolete. Finally, he has also added a major new section exploring the idea of access to opportunity as a core measure of transit’s success.

No other book explains the basic principles of public transit in such lively and accessible prose, all based on a respect for your right to form your own opinion. Walker’s goal is not to make you share his values, but to give you the tools to clarify and advocate for yours.

JARRETT WALKER, PhD, is an international consultant in public transit network design and policy. He has been a full-time consultant since 1991 and has led numerous major planning projects in North America, Australia, and New Zealand.

People, Planet, Design

A Practical Guide to Realizing Architecture’s Potential

Corey Squire

November 2023 | 392 pages | World rights available



In the US, design choices made by the typical architecture firm employee each year can reduce emissions by about 300 times that of an average American. What if great design were defined by its ability to cool the planet, heal communities, enhance ecological functioning, and advance justice?

In *People, Planet, Design*, architect Corey Squire builds the case, provides the data, and lays out the practical tools for human-centered architecture. This approach integrates beauty and delight with an awareness of every design choice’s impact. Outcome-focused with a deep dive into practical strategies, the book showcases ten building systems that embody design excellence. Essential reading for architects who want to transform what the profession means, *People, Planet, Design* pioneers a new vision and sets readers up with clear guidance for implementation.

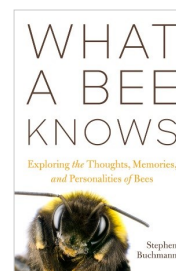
COREY SQUIRE is an architect and nationally recognized expert in sustainable design. Working as both a sustainability leader within architecture practices and a sustainable design consultant through his firm, Dept. of Sustainability, Corey has empowered multiple award-winning design firms to achieve high-performance projects across their portfolios.

What a Bee Knows

Exploring the Thoughts, Memories, and Personalities of Bees

Stephen Buchmann

March 2023 | 256 pages | Rights sold: Audio, Chinese (Simplified), Italian



The next time you hear the low buzzing sound of an approaching bee, look closer: the bee has navigated to this particular spot for a reason using a fascinating set of tools. She might be responding to scents on the breeze as her olfactory organs provide a 3D map of an object's location. She might be tracing the route based on her memories of a particular flower or the electrostatic traces left by other bees. *What a Bee Knows: Exploring the Thoughts, Memories, and Personalities of Bees* invites us to follow bees' mysterious pathways and experience their complex and alien world.

Although their brains are incredibly small—just one million neurons compared to humans' 100 billion—bees have remarkable abilities to navigate, learn, communicate, and remember. In *What a Bee Knows*, entomologist Stephen Buchmann explores a bee's way of seeing the world and introduces the scientists who make the journey possible.

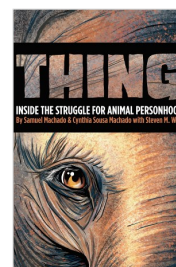
STEPHEN BUCHMANN is a pollination ecologist specializing in bees and their flowers. Buchmann is an adjunct professor with the departments of Entomology and of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Arizona.

Thing

Inside the Struggle for Animal Personhood

Samuel Machado and Cynthia Sousa Machado with Steven M. Wise

June 2023 | 232 pages | Full color | World rights available



"Bold, powerful drawings explain the concept of animal personhood through the story of an elephant who has spent nearly five decades at the Bronx Zoo." —*The New York Times*

Happy the elephant is intelligent, social, and self-aware—and considered a thing in the eye of the law. Led by lawyer Steven M. Wise, the Nonhuman Rights Project has filed cases on behalf of captive nonhuman animals like Happy since 2013, arguing that their autonomy entitles them to certain legal rights. In *Thing: Inside the Struggle for Animal Personhood*, comic artists Sam Machado and Cynthia Sousa Machado bring together Wise's groundbreaking work and their own illustrations in the first graphic nonfiction book about the animal personhood movement. Beginning with Happy's story and the central ideas behind animal rights, *Thing* then turns to the scientists that are revolutionizing our understanding of the minds of such nonhuman animals as great apes, elephants, dolphins, and whales.

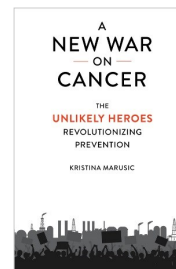
CYNTHIA SOUSA MACHADO and **SAMUEL MACHADO** are the-husband-and-wife team behind the cartoons "I Got This" and "If I Don't Get Pants." **STEVEN M. WISE** was founder and president of the Nonhuman Rights Project. He practiced animal protection law for 30 years throughout the US and was the author of four books. Wise taught Animal Rights Law at Harvard, Stanford, and seven other law schools.

A New War on Cancer

The Unlikely Heroes Revolutionizing Prevention

Kristina Marusic

May 2023 | 216 pages | Rights sold: Audio



If we can stop cancer before it begins, why don't we? Fifty years into the war on cancer, nearly twenty percent of all Americans die from the disease. Astonishingly, up to two-thirds of all cancer cases are linked to preventable environmental causes.

In searching for answers, Kristina Marusic met remarkable doctors, scientists, and advocates who are upending our understanding of cancer and how to fight it. They recognize that we will never reduce cancer rates without ridding our lives of the chemicals that increasingly trigger this deadly disease. For Berry, a young woman whose battle with breast cancer is woven throughout these pages, the fight has become personal. Marusic shows that, collectively, we have the power to prevent many cases like Berry's. The war on cancer is winnable—if we revolutionize the way we fight.

KRISTINA MARUSIC is an award-winning journalist who covers environmental health and justice. She holds an MFA in nonfiction writing from the University of San Francisco, and her personal essays and reporting on topics ranging from the environment, LGBTQ+ equality, and politics to feminism, food, and travel have been published by outlets including CNN, *Slate*, *Vice*, *Women's Health*, the *Washington Post*, MTV News, *The Advocate*, and *Bustle*, among others.

Smaller Cities in a Shrinking World

Learning to Thrive Without Growth

Alan Mallach

June 2023 | 324 pages | Rights sold: Korean



Over the past hundred years, the global motto has been “more, more, more” in terms of growth – of population, of the built environment, of human and financial capital, and of all manner of worldly goods. But reality is changing from the population boom of the 1960s and 1970s, as the earth's population begins to decline.

In *Smaller Cities in a Shrinking World*, urban policy expert Alan Mallach seeks to understand how declining population and economic growth, coupled with the other forces that will influence their fates, particularly climate change, will affect the world's cities over the coming decades.

Mallach has woven together his vast experience, research, and analysis in this fascinating, realistic-yet-hopeful look at how smaller, shrinking cities can thrive, despite the daunting challenges they face.

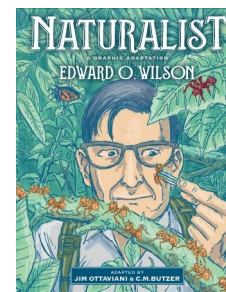
ALAN MALLACH, author of *The Divided City*, is a city planner, urbanist, advocate, scholar, and writer. A senior fellow at the Center for Community Progress in Washington, DC, he is nationally known for his research and writing on housing, economic development, and urban revitalization, and for his hands-on engagement with local governments and organizations trying to rebuild their communities.

Naturalist

A Graphic Adaptation

Edward O. Wilson, Adapted by Jim Ottaviani and C.M. Butzer

November 2020 | 240 pages | Full color | Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Korean



Regarded as one of the world's preeminent biologists, Edward O. Wilson spent his boyhood exploring the forests and swamps of south Alabama and the Florida panhandle, collecting snakes, butterflies, and ants—the latter to become his lifelong specialty. His memoir *Naturalist*, called “one of the finest scientific memoirs ever written” by the *Los Angeles Times*, is an inspiring account of Wilson's growth as a scientist. This graphic edition, adapted by Jim Ottaviani and illustrated by C. M. Butzer, brings Wilson's career to life through dynamic full-color illustrations and Wilson's own lyric writing.

In this graphic adaptation of *Naturalist*, vivid illustrations draw readers in to Wilson's lifelong quest to explore and protect the natural world. His success began not with an elite education but an insatiable curiosity about Earth's wild creatures, and this new edition of *Naturalist* makes Wilson's work accessible for anyone who shares his passion. On every page, the striking art adds immediacy and highlights the warmth and sense of humor that sets Wilson's writing apart. *Naturalist* was written as an invitation—a reminder that curiosity is vital and exploration is open to all of us. Each dynamic frame of this graphic adaptation deepens Wilson's message, renewing his call to explore and celebrate the little things of the world.

EDWARD O. WILSON was the author of more than twenty books, including *The Ants* and *On Human Nature*, both of which were awarded the Pulitzer Prize. He was Faculty Emeritus in the Museum of Comparative Zoology and Pellegrino University Professor, Emeritus at Harvard University.

JIM OTTAVIANI has written a dozen graphic novels about scientists. His most recent books are *Hawking*, *The Imitation Game*, *Primates*, and *Feynman*. His books are *New York Times* bestsellers, have been translated into over dozen languages, and have received praise from publications ranging from *Nature* and *Physics World* to *Entertainment Weekly* and *Variety*.

C. M. BUTZER is an illustrator, printmaker, and cartoonist. His work has appeared in numerous books, publications, and textiles, including *Gettysburg: The Graphic Novel*. Butzer is also a storyboard and concept artist whose clients have included Facebook, Google, and Microsoft.

Praise for *Naturalist: A Graphic Adaptation*:

“Breezy and accessible...this hearty graphic memoir is poised to inspire a new generation of naturalists.”
— *Publishers Weekly*

“Ottaviani's adaptation is astonishingly detailed...Butzer's illustrations are charming... Wilson's life is undoubtedly a rich and fascinating one.”
— *Booklist*

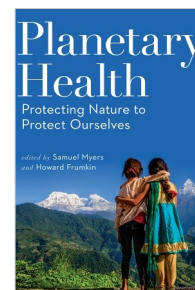
“This is a wonderful idea brilliantly executed...The story captures Wilson's warm, gentle humor, his sense of adventure, and his passion for his work... It's a must-have for Wilson fans...but will also reach a new generation of readers. A perfect gift for the comic book fan or budding naturalist on your list.”
— *Cool Green Science*

Planetary Health

Protecting Nature to Protect Ourselves

Edited by Samuel Myers and Howard Frumkin

August 2020 | 536 pages | Rights sold: French, Italian, Japanese, Korean



Human health depends on the health of the planet. Earth's natural systems—the air, the water, the biodiversity, the climate—are our life support systems. Yet climate change, biodiversity loss, scarcity of land and freshwater, pollution and other threats are degrading these systems. The emerging field of planetary health aims to understand how these changes threaten our health and how to protect ourselves and the rest of the biosphere.

Interdisciplinary in nature, *Planetary Health* explores how accelerating environmental change affects each dimension of human health. It then turns to the rich terrain of solutions, reimagining our cities, our food systems, our energy sector, the chemicals we use, even our economics and our ethics. The result is a comprehensive and optimistic introduction to a field that is being adopted by researchers and universities around the world.

SAMUEL MYERS, MD, MPH is a Principal Research Scientist at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and founding Director of the Planetary Health Alliance. Dr. Myers served as a Commissioner on the Lancet-Rockefeller Foundation Commission on Planetary Health. He was the inaugural recipient of the Arrell Global Food Innovation Award in 2018 for research quantifying the impacts of environmental change on human nutrition. He has also been awarded the Prince Albert II of Monaco—Institut Pasteur Award for research at the interface of global environmental change and human health.

HOWARD FRUMKIN, MD, DrPH is emeritus professor of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences at the University of Washington School of Public Health, where he was Dean from 2010-2016. He was previously head of Our Planet, Our Health at the Wellcome Trust and director of the National Center for Environmental Health and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. His other books include *Environmental Health: From Global to Local* and *Making Healthy Places: Designing and Building for Health, Well-being, and Sustainability*.

Praise for *Planetary Health*:

"*Planetary Health*... should be on the reading list of all health professionals because they have an important part to play as we strive for planetary health." — *The Lancet*

"If I could place a copy of this book in every home, every school, and on the desk of every public official, I would. Hope, wonder, awe, and respect are written into every page. So is a call to care."
— Terry Tempest Williams, author of *The Hour of Land* and Writer in Residence, Harvard Divinity

"...by the end of the book, it seems difficult to imagine a better framework for understanding Earth's contemporary human-environmental dynamics. This book is a must-read for anyone passionate about creating better outcomes for more people, far into the future." — *The Dirt*

Built Environment

Curbing Traffic

Melissa Bruntlett and Chris Bruntlett

June 2021 | 240 pages | Rights Sold: Polish

In *Curbing Traffic: The Human Case for Fewer Cars in Our Lives*, mobility experts Melissa and Chris Bruntlett chronicle their experience living in the Netherlands and the benefits that result from treating cars as visitors rather than owners of the road. They weave their personal story with research and interviews with experts and Delft locals to help readers share the experience of living in a city designed for people.

Their insights will help decision makers and advocates to better understand and communicate the human impacts of low-car cities: lower anxiety and stress, increased independence, social autonomy, inclusion, and improved mental and physical wellbeing.

New Mobilities

Todd Litman

June 2021 | 208 pages | World rights available

In *New Mobilities*, transportation expert Todd Litman examines 12 emerging transportation modes and services that are likely to significantly affect our lives: bike- and carsharing, micro-mobilities, ridehailing and micro-transit, public transit innovations, telework, autonomous and electric vehicles, air taxis, mobility prioritization, and logistics management.

Public policies around New Mobilities can either help create heaven, a well-planned transportation system that uses new technologies intelligently, or hell, a poorly planned transportation system that is overwhelmed by conflicting and costly, unhealthy, and inequitable modes. His analysis helps planners, policymakers, and concerned citizens to make informed choices about the New Mobility revolution.

Schools That Heal

Claire Latané

June 2021 | 280 pages | World rights available

What would a school look like if it was designed with mental health in mind? Too many public schools look and feel like prisons, designed out of fear of vandalism and truancy. But we know that nurturing environments are better for learning. Access to nature, big classroom windows, and open campuses consistently reduce stress, anxiety, disorderly conduct, and crime, and improve academic performance. Backed by decades of research, *Schools That Heal* showcases clear and compelling ways—from furniture to classroom improvements to whole campus renovations—to make supportive learning environments for our children and teenagers.

Built Environment

Cities for Life

Jason Corburn

January 2021 | 288 pages | World rights available

In cities around the world, planning and health experts are beginning to understand the role of social and environmental conditions that lead to trauma. By respecting the lived experience of those who were most impacted by harms, some cities have developed innovative solutions for urban trauma.

In *Cities for Life*, public health expert Jason Corburn shares lessons from three of these cities: Richmond, California; Medellín, Colombia; and Nairobi, Kenya. Corburn draws from his work with citizens, activists, and decision-makers in these cities over a ten-year period, as individuals and communities worked to heal from trauma—including from gun violence, housing and food insecurity, poverty, and other harms. *Cities for Life* is about a new way forward with urban communities that rebuilds our social institutions, practices, and policies to be more focused on healing and health.

Five Rules for Tomorrow's Cities

Patrick M. Condon

January 2020 | 240 pages | World rights available

As urban designers respond to the critical issue of climate change they must also address three cresting cultural waves: the worldwide rural-to-urban migration; the collapse of global fertility rates; and the disappearance of the middle class. In *Five Rules for Tomorrow's Cities*, planning and design expert Patrick Condon offers five rules to help urban designers assimilate these interconnected changes into their work: (1) See the City as a System; (2) Recognize Patterns in the Urban Environment; (3) Apply Lighter, Greener, Smarter Infrastructure; (4) Strengthen Social and Economic Urban Resilience; and (5) Adapt to Shifts in Jobs, Retail, and Wages.

Five Rules for Tomorrow's Cities provides grounded and financially feasible design examples for tomorrow's sustainable cities, and the design tools needed to achieve them.

Walkable City Rules

Jeff Speck

October 2018 | Rights sold: Audio, Chinese (Simplified), Estonian, Hungarian, Japanese, Korean, Ukrainian

"Cities are the future of the human race, and Jeff Speck knows how to make them work."

—David Owen, staff writer at the *New Yorker*

Jeff Speck's follow-up to his bestselling *Walkable City* is the resource that cities and citizens need to usher in an era of renewed street life. *Walkable City Rules* is a doer's guide to making change in cities, and making it now. The 101 rules are practical yet engaging—worded for arguments at the planning commission, illustrated for clarity, and packed with specifications as well as data. *Walkable City Rules* is the most comprehensive tool available for bringing the latest and most effective city-planning practices to bear in your community.

Science and Nature

The Cartoon Guide to Climate Change, Revised Edition

Yoram Bauman and Grady Klein

May 2022 | First edition rights sold: Croatian, Chinese (Simplified), French, Russian, Turkish

When *The Cartoon Introduction to Climate Change* was first published in 2014, it offered something entirely new: a fun, illustrated guide to a planetary crisis. If that sounds like an oxymoron, you’ve never seen the carbon cycle demonstrated through yoga poses or a polar bear explaining evolution to her cubs.

That creativity comes from the minds of Yoram Bauman, the world’s first and only “stand-up economist,” and award-winning illustrator Grady Klein. After seeing their book used in classrooms and the halls of Congress alike, the pair has teamed up again to fully update the guide with the latest scientific data.

Sociologists have argued that we don’t address climate change because it’s too big and frightening to get our heads around. *The Cartoon Introduction to Climate Change* takes the intimidation and gloom out of one of the most important challenges of our time.

The Blue Revolution

Nicholas P. Sullivan

April 2022 | Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified)

For the world’s oceans, overfishing is a worrisome problem. Many global fish stocks are at a dangerous tipping point, some spiraling toward extinction. But there is a new way to think about fish, food, and oceans. *The Blue Revolution* tells the story of the recent transformation of commercial fishing, where entrepreneurs are applying newer, smarter technologies to modernize fisheries in unprecedented ways that relieve overstressed oceans.

The Blue Revolution brings encouraging news for conservationists and seafood lovers about the transformation of an industry historically averse to change, and it presents fresh inspiration for entrepreneurs and investors eager for new opportunities in a blue-green economy.

Swamplands

Edward Struzik

October 2021 | Rights sold: Audio

In a world filled with breathtaking beauty, we have often overlooked the elusive magic of certain landscapes. A cloudy river flows into an Arctic wetland where sandhill cranes and muskoxen dwell. Further south, cypress branches hang low over dismal swamps. Places like these—collectively known as swamplands or peatlands—often go unnoticed for their ecological splendor. They are as globally significant as rainforests, yet, because of their reputation as wastelands, they are being systematically drained and degraded.

Swamplands celebrates these wild places, as journalist Edward Struzik highlights the unappreciated struggle to save peatlands by scientists, conservationists, and landowners around the world. An ode to peaty landscapes in all their offbeat glory, the book is a demand for awareness of the threats they face.

Science and Nature

Firestorm

Edward Struzik

Paperback October 2019 | World rights available

"Frightening...comes alive when Struzik discusses the work of offbeat scientists." —*New York Times Book Review*

"Should be required reading." —*Library Journal*

In 2016, the world watched as an unprecedented wildfire ravaged the Canadian town of Fort McMurray. Yet it's not a stretch to imagine we will soon live in a world in which fires like the this are common. In *Firestorm*, Edward Struzik confronts this reality, offering a deftly woven tale of science, economics, and politics. It's possible for us to flourish in the coming age of megafires—but it will take a radical new approach. Living with fire also means, Struzik reveals, that we must better understand how the far-reaching impacts of these fires will linger long after the smoke clears.

Vaquita

Brooke Bessesen

September 2018 | Rights sold: Audio, Spanish

"Intrepid conservation detective story." —*Nature*

"A lucid, informed, and gripping account... a must-read." —*Science*

"Gripping... a well-told and moving tale of environmentalism and conservation." —*Kirkus*

In 2006, the vaquita, a diminutive porpoise, inherited the dubious title of world's most endangered marine mammal. Vaquita have been in decline for decades, dying in illegal gillnets. Author Brooke Bessesen takes us to the Upper Gulf of California in search of answers to a heart-wrenching dilemma. When diplomatic efforts to save the porpoise failed, Bessesen followed a scientific team in a binational effort to capture remaining vaquita and breed them in captivity—the only hope for their survival. In this fast-paced, soul-searing tale, she learned that there are no easy answers when extinction is profitable.

In Search of Nature

Edward O. Wilson

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Perhaps more than any other scientist of our century, Edward O. Wilson has scrutinized animals in their natural settings, tweezing out the dynamics of their social organization, their relationship with their environments, and their behavior, not only for what it tells us about the animals themselves, but for what it can tell us about human nature and our own behavior. He has brought the fascinating and sometimes surprising results of these studies to general readers through a remarkable collection of books, including *The Diversity of Life*, *The Ants*, *On Human Nature*, and *Sociobiology*. The grace and precision with which he writes of seemingly complex topics has earned him two Pulitzer prizes.

In Search of Nature presents for the first time a collection of Wilson's seminal short writings, addressing in brief and eminently readable form the themes that have actively engaged this remarkable intellect throughout his career.

Health, Food, and Water

Sundressed

Lucianne Tonti

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For conscious consumers, buying clothes has never been more complicated. Even as fashion brands tout their sustainability, the industry is plagued by pollution, waste, and poor working conditions. If our clothes reflect our values, is it possible to be truly well-dressed?

Sustainable fashion journalist Lucianne Tonti answers with a resounding yes. Beautiful clothes made from natural fabrics including cotton, wool, flax, and cashmere can support rural communities and regenerate landscapes. They can also reduce waste—but only if we invest in garments that stand the test of time rather than chasing fast fashion trends.

Sundressed is an exploration of a revolution taking place in fashion. And it is a love letter to clothing that embodies beauty and value, from farm to closet.

Making Healthy Places, Second Edition

Edited by Nisha Botchwey, Andrew Dannenberg, and Howard Frumkin

May 2022 | Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified)

Making Healthy Places surveys the many intersections between health and the built environment, from the scale of buildings to the scale of metro areas, and across a range of outcomes, from cardiovascular health and infectious disease to social connectedness and happiness. This new edition is significantly updated, with a special emphasis on equity and sustainability, and takes a global perspective. It provides current evidence not only on how poorly designed places may threaten well-being, but also on solutions that have been found to be effective.

Making Healthy Places is a must-read for students, academics, and professionals in health, architecture, urban planning, civil engineering, parks and recreation, and related fields.

The Economics of Sustainable Food

Edited by Nicolette Batini

June 2021 | World rights available

Producing food industrially like we do today causes tremendous global economic losses in terms of malnutrition, diseases, and environmental degradation.

The Economics of Sustainable Food details the true cost of food for people and the planet. It illustrates how to transform our broken system, alleviating its severe financial and human burden. The key is smart macroeconomic policy that moves us toward methods that protect the environment like regenerative land and sea farming, low-impact urban farming, and alternative protein farming, and toward healthy diets. The book's multidisciplinary team of authors lay out detailed fiscal and trade policies, as well as structural reforms, to achieve those goals.

Health, Food, and Water

Overtourism

Edited by Martha Honey and Kelsey Frenkiel

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Overtourism charts a path toward tourism that is truly sustainable, focusing on the triple bottom line of people, planet, and prosperity. This practical book examines the causes and effects of overtourism before turning to emerging management strategies. Visitor education, traffic planning, and redirection to lesser known sites are among the measures that can protect the economic benefit of tourism without overwhelming local communities. As tourism revives around the world, these innovations will guide government agencies, parks officials, site managers, civic groups, environmental NGOs, tourism operators, and others with a stake in protecting our most iconic places.

The Monsanto Papers

Carey Gillam

March 2021 | Rights sold: Audio

"An authoritative takedown of a corporation that evidently cares little for public health."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

The Monsanto Papers is the inside story of Lee Johnson's landmark lawsuit against Monsanto, a David-and-Goliath showdown pitting a dying cancer victim and an eclectic team of young, ambitious lawyers against one of the world's most powerful corporate giants. With enough money and influence, could a company endanger its customers, hide evidence, manipulate regulators, and get away with it all—for decades? Readers will be astounded by the depth of corruption uncovered, captivated by the shocking plot twists, and moved by Lee's quiet determination to see justice served. With gripping narrative force, *The Monsanto Papers* takes readers behind the scenes of a grueling legal battle.

Whitewash

Carey Gillam

October 2017 | Rights sold: Audio, Chinese (Complex), Dutch

Winner of the 2018 Rachel Carson Environment Book Award

"A damning picture...Gillam expertly covers a contentious front." —*Publishers Weekly*

In *Whitewash*, veteran journalist Carey Gillam explores the global debate over the safety of an herbicide so pervasive that it is found in our cereals, snacks, and even in our urine. Known as Monsanto's Roundup by consumers and as glyphosate by scientists, the world's most popular weed killer is sold as safe enough to drink, but Gillam's research shows that message has been carefully crafted to conceal a host of dangers. *Whitewash* is more than an exposé about the hazards of one chemical. It's a story of power, politics, and the deadly consequences of putting corporate interests ahead of public safety.

Business and Economics

The Uncommon Knowledge of Elinor Ostrom

Erik Nordman

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Fifty years ago, conventional thinking among economists and environmentalists was that depletion of natural resources could only be prevented through the free market or government regulation. This notion was upended by Elinor Ostrom, whose work to show that regular people could sustainably manage their community resources won her the Nobel Prize in Economics. Ostrom's revolutionary proposition fundamentally changed how we think about environmental governance.

In *The Uncommon Knowledge of Elinor Ostrom*, author Erik Nordman brings to life Ostrom's brilliant mind. Her message of shared collective action is more relevant than ever for solving today's most pressing environmental problems.

Green Growth That Works

Edited by Lisa Mandle, Zhiyun Ouyang, James Salzman, and Gretchen C. Daily

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Rapid economic development has been a boon to human well-being, but comes at a significant cost to the fertile soils, forests, coastal marshes, and farmland that support all life on earth. If ecosystems collapse, so eventually will human civilization. One solution is inclusive green growth—the efficient use of natural resources. Its genius lies in working with nature rather than against it.

Green Growth That Works is the first practical guide to bring together pragmatic finance and policy tools that can make investment in natural capital both attractive and commonplace. Pioneered by leading scholars from the Natural Capital Project, this valuable compendium of proven techniques can guide agencies and organizations eager to make green growth work anywhere in the world.

Ecological Economics, Second Edition

Herman E. Daly and Joshua Farley

October 2010 | Rights sold: Chinese (simplified), Portuguese (Brazil), Japanese

This introductory-level textbook describes a relatively new “transdiscipline” that incorporates insights from the biological, physical, and social sciences. It provides students with a foundation in traditional economic thought, but places that foundation within a framework that embraces the linkages among economic growth, environmental degradation, and social inequity. The second edition of *Ecological Economics* provides a clear overview of a field of study that continues to grow in importance. It remains the only stand-alone textbook that offers a complete explanation of theory and practice in the discipline.