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## THE FIRST HUNDRED-ODD INTERVIEWS (and six documentary films)

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The interviews were released and have been posted on the site in this order, beginning in 2009.

**James Lovelock,** the originator of the Gaia theory, which holds that the Earth behaves like a single living organism. Lovelock's importance to science has been compared to that of Darwin.

**Paul Watson,** hero of the TV series *Whale Wars*, and head of the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, the most powerful organization in the world in defense of whales, seals and sea life.

**Vandana Shiva,** physicist, philosopher, environmental actvist, eco-feminist, and author of numerous books on subjects like *Biopiracy* and *Earth Democracy*.

**Fariey Mowat,** legendary environmental writer and activist, author of more than 40 books, including the bleak masterpiece, *Sea of Slaughter*.

**Elizabeth May,** author of eight books, lifelong environmental activist, long-time Executive Director of the Sierra Club of Canada, and latterly the Leader of the Green Party of Canada.

**David Hughes**, a retired Canadian government geologist and Fellow of the Post-Carbon Institute whose research describes a disruptive new era of oil scarcity and high-cost energy.

**Jeff Rubin,** former Chief Economist with CIBC World Markets and author of *Why Your World is About to Get a Whole Lot Smaller,* which explores the probable impact of dramatically higher oil prices.

**Satish Kumar,** a leader of the UK's spirituality and ecology movements for more than three decades, and editor of *Resurgence* magazine.

**Gwynne Dyer,** perhaps the world's best-known and most distinguished expert on war, and author of the recent book *Climate Wars*.

Chris Turner, author of The Geography of Hope: A Tour of the World We Need, a survey of innovations

and initiatives around the world that are moving us towards a sustainable future.

**Ron Colman,** head of GPI Atlantic, which created Nova Scotia's Genuine Progress Index, and an adviser to the Royal Government of Bhutan on maximizing the country's Gross National Happiness.

**Bridget Stutchbury,** an expert on the behaviour of migratory songbirds and the threats they face. She teaches at York University, and is the author of *Silence of the Songbirds* and *The Bird Detective*.

**Bunker Roy,** Indian social activist and educator, the founder of Barefoot College, which serves the very poor by marrying traditional knowledge with new sustainable technology.

**William Rees,** who devised the famous "Ecological Footprint," which measures the proportion of the earth's resources any group of people is using – a single person, a village or region, or the entre human race.

**Andrew Nikiforuk,** author of *The Tar Sands: Dirty Oil and the Future of a Continent,* a scathing overview of the controversial project which has made Canada one of the world's worst polluters.

**Gregory Cajete,** a Natve American educator from New Mexico, and an eloquent expositor of the aboriginal understanding of the "nature of nature."

**Diana Beresford-Kroeger,** botanist, medical biochemist, an expert on the medicinal, environmental and nutritional properties of trees, and author most recently of *The Global Forest*.

The Honourable **Jigme Yoser Thinley,** the first democratically-elected Prime Minister of Bhutan, who is dedicated to improving Bhutan's Gross National Happiness as opposed to its Gross National Product.

**Robert Bateman,** one of the world's most celebrated wildlife artists. The Robert Bateman Centre at Royal Roads University is dedicated to advancing his passionate commitment to education and the environment.

**Kartikeya Sarabhai,** industrialist, activist and director of environmental and social-justice organizations including the Centre for Environmental Education, which shapes the curriculum of schools across India.

**Ronaid Wright,** novelist, essayist, historian and philosopher, whose studies in history and archaeology reveal disturbing patterns in the rise and collapse of human societies – patterns that we are repeating today.

**Jane Goodall**, the scientist whose studies with chimpanzees redefined the nature of human beings, and whose Jane Goodall Institute programs pursue habitat restoration and involve youth in ecological action.

Andrew Heintzman, co-founder of Investeco, the first Canadian investment company dedicated to

the sector, and author of The New Entrepreneurs: Building a Green Economy for the Future.

**David Orton,** radical philosopher of "Deep Ecology", friend and colleague of such thinkers as Arne Naess and John Livingston.

**Annie Hill and Trevor Robertson**, world-famous cruising sailors, who have lived sustainably on the ocean all their lives, sailing over 300,000 offshore miles. Annie is the author of *Voyaging on a Small Income*.

**Alexandra Morton,** the BC citizen scientist who has single-handedly forced onto the public agenda the issue of the devastation imposed on wild salmon runs by contamination from salmon farms.

**Alanna Mitchell,** arguably "the world's best environmental journalist," author of *Sea Sick: The Global Ocean in Crisis*, a profound and eloquent wake-up call about the degradation of the place where life began.

**Daniel Pauly,** perhaps the world's greatest fisheries scientist, expert on world fish populations, inventor of the breakthrough tools Fishbase and Ecopath, who warns that all global fisheries are near collapse.

**James Hoggan,** the brilliant public relations practitioner who created the trenchant climate change website DeSmogBlog and wrote the startling exposé *Climate Cover-up: The Crusade to Deny Global Warming*.

**David Korten,** prophet of the new economy, co-founder of *Yes!* magazine, author of *When Corporations Rule the World,* and a founder of BALLE, the Business Association for Local Living Economies.

**David Montgomery,** distinguished geologist, part-time rock musician, and author of *King of Fish: The Thousand Year Run of Salmon*, and also of *Dirt: The Erosion of Civilizations*.

**Betty Krawczyk,** 83, a British Columbia blogger, author and activist, a great-grandmother whose unflinching defence of old-growth forests got her jailed for three years, which didn't even slow her down.

**Andy Bichlebaum** of "The Yes Men" – a "culture jammer" and prankster who uses humor to battle rogue corporations. The Yes Men have produced two movies, a book, much laughter and many red-faced executives.

**Scot Macmillan,** one of Canada's most gifted and versatile musicians and composers. **Jennyfer Brickenden** is his colleague, manager and wife – and also the librettist for Scott's environmental masterwork, *The Celtic Mass for the Sea.* A full performance of the Mass is available on our site as a Special Presentation.

Brian Brett, a poet, a man of letters, a farmer, a man deeply concerned about food and the

human dance with nature. These themes merge in his sweeping meditation *Trauma Farm: A Rebel History of Rural Life.* 

**Mark Boyle**, "The Moneyless Man," who has eschewed money since 2008, and has applied his royalties from his book *The Moneyless Man* to start a movement called Freeconomy, which now reaches 168 countries.

**Alastair McIntosh,** Scottish land reformer, activist, theologian and author (*Soil and Soul,Rekindling Community*), an authority on human ecology, and on the spiritual basis of social and environmental activism.

**Yvon Chouinard,** creator and owner of the sportswear giant Patagonia, which devotes much of its profit and energy to environmental causes, and sees the greening of capitalism as a core element of its mission.

**David Boyd,** activist, legal scholar, author of the magisterial *The Environmental Rights Revolution*, which assesses the impact of environmental rights in the 177 nations that recognize them and the 16 that do not. He is now the UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment.

**Rob Hopkins**, the visionary behind the "Transition movement," which since 2008 has helped citizens re-create 1100-plus "Transition Towns" worldwide. It's been called the "biggest urban brainwave of the 20<sup>th</sup> century."

**Sir Tim Smit,** founder of The Eden Project, an educational charity that has transformed a once-devastated china clay quarry in rural Cornwall into a gorgeous educational theme park dedicated to exploring the complete dependence of human beings on plants.

**Hugo Spowers** of Riversimple car company in Ludlow, England, which aims to revolutionize the auto industry by building a hydrogen-fuelled car out of space-age materials, using an "open source" business model.

**George Monbiot,** commentator, broadcaster, winner of the UN Global 500 Award for environmental achievement and author of numerous books, including the remarkable *Heat: How To Stop the Planet from Burning*.

**Orri Vigfusson**, the late Icelandic conservationist who set out to protect Atlantic salmon by retiring all the commercial salmon licenses in the North Atlantic – and, after 20 years, had eliminated 85% of them.

**Sarika Cullis-Suzuki,** marine scientist, journalist and advocate, an expert on high-seas fisheries conservation and the offshore conservation territories known as "marine protected areas."

**Edmund Metatawabin**, former chief of the Peetabeck First Nation on James Bay, who grew up within a sustainable lifestyle that persisted for 10,000 years, and who strives to preserve and share its values and knowledge.

**Maude Barlow,** founding chair of the Council of Canadians, critic of the corporate power exercised in the worldwide net of free trade agreements, author and an expert on the perilous condition of the world's water.

**John Borrows,** Anishanaabe legal scholar, and trailblazing law professor at the University of Victoria, author of *Canada's Indigenous Constitution* and *Drawing Out Law*.

**Mohamed Hage,** visionary leader of Lufa Farms in Montreal, creators of the world's first commercial rooftop farm, who plans to expand the concept to revolutionize food production all over the world.

**Andrew Weaver,** the climate scientist from the Nobel-winning IPCC team who became the first Green Party member of a provincial legislature in Canada.

**Franke James,** the author and artist whose European tour was surreptitiously cancelled by an annoyed Stephen Harper – and who fought back with more images, more posters and a new book, *Banned on the Hill.* 

**Ron Plain and Ada Lockridge** of the Aaumjiwnaang First Nation, who sued Ontario's government under Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms for infringing their rights to equality and a healthy environment.

**Steven Guilbeault,** environmental journalist, consultant, venture capitalist, and activist, and cofounder

of Equiterre, the largest and most effective environmental organization in Quebec.

**Osprey Orielle Lake,** internationally-celebrated sculptor and author, founder of the Women's Earth and Climate Caucus, and co-chair of International Advocacy for the Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature.

**David Suzuki,** the revered scientist, broadcaster and activist whose 52 books and decades of TV and radio service have made him the most respected and powerful figure in Canadian environmentalism.

**Pablo Fajardo,** the young lawyer from eastern Ecuador who sued Chevron for polluting a huge tract of Amazon rain-forest, and won a \$10.5 billion judgment in Ecuador's Supreme Court. In Spanish, with translation.

**Natalia Greene,** a close associate of Alberto Acosta in developing Ecuador's 2008 constitution as well as the Yasuní-ITT Initatve, which aimed to keep oil underground in the Amazon region, and a key figure in the international movement for recognition of the rights of Mother Nature.

**Mumta Ito,** founder and director of the International Centre for Wholistic Law (www.wholistclaw.org). Formerly a high-powered corporate lawyer in the City of London, she currently heads the European Citizens' Initiative for Recognizing and Respecting the Inherent Rights of Nature.

**Cormac Cullinan,** of Cape Town, South Africa, author of *Wild Law: A Manifesto for Earth Justice.* A leader in the Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature, he also drafted the Universal Declaration of the Rights of Mother Earth.

**Tzeporah Berman,** a leader of the 1993 Clayoquot Sound demonstrations, the largest act of civil disobedience in Canadian history. She headed ForestEthics (now Stand.earth) when it ran the "Victoria's Dirty Little Secret" campaign, and became climate change organizer with Greenpeace International before returning to ForestEthics.

**Santiago Manuín Valera** of the Awajun indigenous community in the Peruvian Amazon, who was shot, almost fatally, by the Peruvian army during an epic confrontation in Bagua in 2000. A pacifist, he is a devout Christian and a founder of the Jesuit Social Centre in his community. In Spanish,

with translation.

**Søren Hermansen**, the "energy magician" of Samsø, a small, blustery island of 4000 in Denmark's Kattegat Strait, which now produces 110% of the energy it needs – all of it from renewable sources -- and also exports knowledge through the Samsø Energiakademi, the Samsø Energy Academy.

**Pablo Solon,** former Bolivian Ambassador to the UN and chief negotiator on climate, organizer of the 2010 World People's Conference on Climate Change and the Rights of Mother Earth, now with Focus on the Global South, based in Bangkok, Thailand.

**Michelle Maloney,** National Convenor of the Australian Earth Laws Alliance (www.earthlaws.org.au), former manager of an indigenous not-for-profit development organisation in central Queensland and a trenchant opponent of the massive coal and gas developments that would ship coal through the Great Barrier Reef.

**Thomas Linzey and Mari Margil,** the co-founder and associate director of the Community Environmental Legal Defence Fund, a pioneering US organization that helps communities, and nations like Ecuador and Nepal) assert their rights as communities, and the rights of the environment itself.

**Alberto Acosta,** Ecuador's former minister of energy and mining, chairman of the constituent assembly which enshrined the rights of Mother Nature in its constitution, and author of Ecuador's offer to forgo oil exploitation in the Yasuni national park. In Spanish, with translation.

**Antonio Oposa, Jr.**, the lawyer who established "the Oposa doctrine," the right of future generations to a healthy environment. He also forced a massive cleanup of Manila Bay, stopped logging in old-growth forests and reef-fishing with cyanide and dynamite, and now seeks to reserve 50% of Philippine highways for sustainable transport.

**Marina Aizen,** a notedArgentinian journalist who has written a comprehensive history of the Riachuelo decision and its results. She was formerly the New York correspondent for the leading Buenos Aires newspaper *Clarin*, and has been widely published in the Spanish-language press.

**Atossa Soltani,** founder and director of Amazon Watch, a US-based organization that works to protect the Amazon rainforest and its indigenous peoples. Media strategist, photographer and filmmaker, she leads campaigns to force international corporations to raise their environmental and social standards.

**Stephen Leahy,** independent international environmental journalist, and author of *Your Water Footprint: The Shocking Facts About How Much Water we Use to Make Everyday Products.* 

**Amy Larkin**, author of *Environmental Debt: The Hidden Costs of A Changing Global Economy*, founder of Greenpeace Solutions, and head of the consulting firm Nature Means Business.

**Larry Kowalchuk,** the Saskatchewan lawyer representing the New Brunswick Anti-Shale Gas Alliance and the "People's Lawsuit" plaintiffs in suing the federal and New Brunswick governments for infringing the rights of citizens and First Nations by recklessly supporting unconventional gas and oil development.

**Rachel Parent,** an activist since she was 11 years old and learned from a class project that in Canada and the US, food with genetically-modified ingredients isn't even labelled. Her Kids Right To Know website spawned a movement that powerfully affected the global debate about industrial food.

**Femke Wijdekop,** a lawyer at the Institute for Environmental Security in The Hague, in the Netherlands. She's also an author and broadcaster, and a dedicated defender of the environmental activists around the world who are routinely tortured, raped, beaten – and, twice a week, murdered.

**Daniel Sallaberry**, lawyer for residents of an impoverished riverside community in Buenos Aires, Argentina, who sued three levels of government and 44 industries for infringements of environmental rights, winning a multi-billion dollar clean-up of the Riachuelo River. In Spanish, with translation.

**Roger Cox,** a practicing lawyer in Maastricht, Holland, and the author of *Revolution Justified: Why Only the Law Can Save Us Now.* The book inspired the Urgenda Foundation to sue the Dutch government for its inaction on climate change. Roger Cox acted for Urgenda – and won.

**Marjan Minnesma,** the founder and director of the Urgenda Foundation, which sued the Dutch state for its tepid record on greenhouse-gas emissions and won an electrifying court order directing the government to reduce the country's emissions by 25% by the year 2020.

**Jan van de Venis,** a Dutch lawyer deeply concerned with human rights and sustainable development. He's legal director of the Swiss water-conservation group Waterlex, head of the crowdfunding site The Crowd Versus. He's also been called the Netherlands' Shadow Ombudsperson for Future Generations.

**Anders Hayden,** who researches the distribution of work and wealth, and differing social responses to fundamental challenges, such as the dire threat of climate change. He is the author of *Sharing The Work, Sparing the Planet* and *When Green Growth is Not Enough*.

Polly Higgins, an international lawyer, the author of Eradicating Ecocide. Ecocide is damage to

ecosystems such that peaceful enjoyment of a territory by all its inhabitants is severely diminished or lost. Her goal is to make ecocide, like genocide, a UN-recognized "crime against peace."

**Elin Kelsey,** a science communicator who specializes in hope and wonder. A PhD and a brilliant teacher, she's also an internationally-renowned author especially of children's books like *You Are Stardust*, and *Watching Giants: The Secret Lives of Whales*.

**Todd Labrador,** the only practising Mi'kmaw canoe builder, a cultural archaeologist who seeks to learn, understand and preserve his people's traditional knowledge and world-view. He's also a graphic artist, whose work is rooted in the ancient petroglyphs carved in the Nova Scotia rocks.

**Camille Labchuk,** still in her early 30s, but an environmental and animal rights activist for over 20 years. In 2014 she opened Canada's first animal-rights law practice. She's now the Executive Director of Animal Justice, a not-for-profit dedicated to the humane treatment of animals.

**Joel Solomon**, green investor and philanthropist, who for more than 30 years has been at the centre of a group of private businesses, not-for-profits, foundations and educational institutions deploying many millions of dollars to transform his adopted home of British Columbia. He's now published a book called *The Clean Money Revolution*.

**Gary Saunders,** a forester, a painter, an educator and a writer in the tradition of Thoreau and Aldo Leopold. His most recent book is the award-winning *My Life with Trees*, a unique memoir of 30 chapters each focussed on a species of tree, and on his memories of people associated with that tree.

**Maxine Burkett**, law professor at the University of Hawaii, who strives to anticipate climate change impacts on the small island nations of the Pacific – islands which will shrink so dramatically that their entre populations may need to migrate. Her mission: find ways for humanity to negotiate this crisis in a spirit of fairness, justice and generosity.

**John Cumbler,** an environmental historian who explores the human impact on the natural world over long periods of time. His most recent book is a 400-year environmental history of Cape Cod. He's also an historian of social movements from the abolitionists to the feminists and the activists working for today's social and environmental causes.

**Stanley Love**, a US astronaut who has several times walked in space-- and who is also a planetary scientist with a PhD in astronomy. As a speaker, he offers a brilliant presentation reviewing the entire solar system to show just how unique and precious the Earth is as a habitat for life – and demonstrating conclusively that there is, literally, no Planet B.

**Mary Christina Wood**, law professor at the University of Oregon, originator of Atmospheric Trust Litigation, which holds governments accountable for reducing carbon pollution within their jurisdictions. Her research supports cases and petitions brought on behalf of children and youth worldwide, including the Our Children's Trust legal action.

James Hansen, the world-renowned former director of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies,

who put global warming on the world's agenda through his research in climatology, his development of climate models, his blunt, ground-breaking testimony before the US Senate in 1988 and his book *Storms of My Grandchildren*.

**John Bonine**, of the University of Oregon, a pioneer of environmental law in the United States and globally, who founded the world's first environmental law clinic and the Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (ELAW) as part of his mission to create capacity and resource in the environmental law community.

**Robert Michael Pyle,** an independent lepidopterist, poet, teacher and speaker. The author of 18 books, he founded the international Xerces Society for the conservation of butterflies and other small invertebrates, and a strong advocate for loving "the damaged lands" as well as the intact wildernesses.

**Eugene Friesen** is a Grammy-award winning cellist, and the author of *Improvisation for Classical Musicians*. As a composer and as "CelloMan," he incorporates masked characters, humour and the songs of birds and whales in his compositions and presentations.

**Albert Marshall** is a revered wisdom-keeper of the Mi'kmaw people whose concept of "two-eyed seeing" attempts to merge Western empirical modes of understanding with the traditional "living knowledge" which is embedded in the Mi'kmaw language and culture.

**Catherine O'Brien** teaches at Cape Breton University, and originated the term "sustainable happiness" -- happiness which contributes to global well-being without exploiting the environment, other people or future generations. She's the author of *Education for Sustainable Happiness and Well-Being*.

**Stella Bowles** lives on Nova Scotia's LaHave River, and at the age of 12 was appalled to learn that "her" river was grossly polluted with sewage. Stella publicized the problem, learned how to test for fecal bacteria, lobbied government, inspired a \$16.7 million cleanup, and wrote a book.

**John Hopkins** is a filmmaker from Prince Edward Island whose National Film Board production *Bluefin:* The Last of the Giants asks why the giant bluefin tuna of PEI seem to be starving and have lost their fear of humans. Beautifully shot and edited, the film has won numerous international awards.

## **Currently in production:**

**Margaret Atwood,** legendary author, activist and environmentalist whose fifty-plus books of poetry, fiction, children's literature, literary criticism and other non-fiction have been published in 45 countries. Her dystopian 1985 novel *The Handmaid's Tale* recently became an internationally celebrated streaming dramatic series.

**Boris Worm,** marine ecologist, educator and commentator, an expert on marine biodiversity and the impact of human activities such as overfishing on global ocean ecosystems. Since 2013 he has been scientific director of Ocean School, a pioneering online multi-media ocean education initiative.

**John Helliwell,** a hugely distinguished economist who has been an adviser to numerous national and international bodies. He is now the lead author of the World Happiness Report, published annually by the United Nations, which ranks the nations of the world according to the happiness of their people

**Katherine Trebeck,** Knowledge and Policy Lead at Scotland's Wellbeing Economy Alliance. The book she co-authored, *The Economics of Arrival: Ideas for a Grown Up Economy,* calls for the transformation of the economy to focus not on money but on the well-being of both people and the planet.

**Julia Kim,** a medical doctor whose concerns with public health and sustainable development led her to senior positions with UN agencies before she became director of the Gross National Happiness Centre Bhutan. The Centre strives to increase Bhutan's GNH rather than its Gross Domestic Product.

**Mark Anielski,** forester, consultant, professor and author most recently of *An Economy of Well-being: Common Sense Tools for Building Genuine Wealth and Happiness.* His firm works with individuals, organizations, and governments to help them find and optimize their genuine wealth and well-being.

## SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS FROM THE GREEN INTERVIEW:

Each Green Interview is a portal, a doorway into a body of thought and experience with profound implications for the human future. In a few instances, we've been able to combine the interviews with other materials to create documentaries reflecting the issues in one or more of the interviews. We are proud of the six Special Presentations we've put together thus far.

Bhutan: The Pursuit of Gross National Happiness (2010) is essentially a narrated slide-show that takes its viewers to the tiny ancient Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan – now the world's youngest democracy – for a first-hand view of a society which does not confuse economic numbers like Gross National Product with actual human well-being. Instead, Bhutan tries to measure well-being directly, using an intellectually-rigorous set of measurements collectively known as Gross National Happiness. The show includes brief sections from several Green Interviews, notably the first democratically-elected Prime Minister, Hon. Jigme Thinley. Silver Donald Cameron's TEDx talk – which can be seen at <a href="https://www.silverdonaldcameron.ca">www.silverdonaldcameron.ca</a> – presents the same material in a slightly different format.

The Celtic Mass for the Sea is a live performance of the Macmillan-Brickenden classic composition, recorded live on the waterfront of Halifax, Nova Scotia in June, 2012, with a mass choir, and an instrumental ensemble blending symphony players with traditional Celtic musicians playing traditional instruments.

Stars and Pop Cans (2011) is a commissioned half-hour film reporting on the impressive efforts by the Nova Scotia Community College to re-shape all their operations on a sustainable basis. NSCC has 19 locations, 2000 employees and 20,000 students. Its efforts included everything from an organic garden, water-less urinals and water fountains instead of bottled water to sustainability courses and research, a committee on responsible investing, and a climate action plan. When NSCC entered the STARS competition -- the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Recording System,

developed specifically for institutions of higher education – it won a Gold certificate, ranking well ahead of senior institutions like Dalhousie, McGill and Concordia.

**Salmon Wars** (2012) is a 74-minute documentary questioning the expansion of net-pen salmon aquaculture in Nova Scotia and documenting the strong public push-back against it. The show was financed by fundraising and has been shown in scores of community halls and similar venues across Nova Scotia — and increasingly in other jurisdictions where net-pen aquaculture is an issue. It includes interview material from Alanna Mitchell, Alexandra Morton and Daniel Pauly, all of whom have full-length interviews on the Green Interview site. *Salmon Wars* can be streamed or downloaded either from The Green Interview site, or from its own site, <a href="https://www.salmonwars.com">www.salmonwars.com</a>.

Defenders of the Dawn: Green Rights in the Maritimes (2015) is a 45-minute film adapted from the *GreenRights* material. Commissioned by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and set on the east coast of Canada, it shows citizens without environmental rights confronting issues like foul air and water, and hydraulic "fracking." The citizens assert their rights even though the legal system does not recognize them, and win significant battles through protests, civil disobedience, municipal legislation and lawsuits. The film contrasts these clashes with success stories from Argentina, Ecuador and The Philippines. Viewers and reviewers have called the film "inspiring... punchy... powerful... superb... timely... compelling... One of the best and most important documentaries I've ever seen." *Defenders of the Dawn* was broadcast September 5, 2015, and can be streamed at <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xdkoCFdeHE">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xdkoCFdeHE</a>

GreenRights: Your Right to a Healthy World (www.GreenRights.com) (2016) is our most recent major documentary work. It's based on the astonishing fact that North Americans don't have a legal right to clean air or water; their bodies contain more than 700 toxic chemicals, and their judicial systems offer no relief at all. In 90% of the world's nations, however, citizens do have the legal right to a healthy environment. *GreenRights* tells the dramatic stories of citizens and lawyers who wield those rights vigorously and powerfully to stop old-growth logging, slash urban air pollution, prevent irresponsible mining and drilling, clean up desperately-polluted waterways and address climate change. These success stories take place in Ecuador, France, Argentina, the Philippines, the Netherlands – all set against the backdrop of Canada and the US, where citizens and advocates struggle simply to assert their right to clean air, pure water and healthy food. The film was released in September, 2016, and promoted (along with the companion book, *Warrior Lawyers*) in a national tour from Nova Scotia to BC. It had an extremely warm reception.

"In a packed audience in Antigonish this movie brought alive the issue of embedding green rights into our national fabric; it signalled the crucial dialogue between Indigenous First Nation and settler communities these rights must be embedded in; it showed how this struggle is being undertaken by countless other contexts around this planet. The movie is important for bringing up all of this, but also for articulating a clear sense of what to act on, and how to get involved in the struggle to ensure our land, our air and our water have rights."

<sup>&</sup>quot;Our audience in Erin Ontario was totally inspired by *Green Rights*. Every Canadian (and American) who cares about their kids and the future should see this film. Silver Donald Cameron shows how enshrining environmental rights to clean air, pure water and healthy food, pushed by some gutsy lawyers and passionate grassroots groups, can indeed change our world for the better."

Liz Armstrong, Erin Fast Forward Film Festival

– Dr. Jonathan Langdon, Canada Research Chair in Sustainability and Social Change Leadership, St Francis Xavier University

"Silver Donald Cameron has done a tremendous job collecting environmental success stories, and presenting them in a way that frames a cause for the audience's collective support and puts a fire in the audience's collective bellies. He grounds hope in true examples of productive change. Every audience member left feeling empowered."

Andie Britton-Foster, president, University of Victoria Environmental Law Club.