



Land Trust Alliance

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Building a Culture that Sustains Land - Program and Registration **Land Trust and Stewardship Seminar Series - March 18-20th Naramata Centre, BC**

Thursday March 18th

Full day Workshop or Half day Site Visit (Pre-registration required by March 5th)

All Acronyms are described on page 2

Further information on site visits described on page 3

Workshop: 9:30 – 4:15 **Creating Reliable Fundraising in Unreliable Times:** Kim Klein
Site Visit A: 12:30 – 4:00 **Skaha Bluffs** - meet in Penticton (see page 3)
Site Visit B: 12:30 – 4:00 **Okanagan River Restoration, FN Land Trust Conservation Sites**

4:30-5:30 **Meet & Greet Wine Reception** - Hosted by Naramata Conservation & LTABC

5:30-6:30 **First Nation's Address & Opening Dinner**

7:00-8:00 **Presentation "After the Fire"** Harold Baumbrough. Slide show and presentation on biological succession; restoration and re-growth in the Okanagan

Friday March 19th

Breakfast 7:15 – 8:00

Opening Plenary: 8:15 – 9:00 Living Carbon - Conservation Offsets - Briony Penn

Seminars Stream A 9:15 – 10:45

- 1. How to Maximize Planned Giving Opportunities Today to Build a Solid Financial Future** - Natasha van Bentum, *CFRE*
- 2. Conservation Covenants** (drafting & enforcement–advanced) - Bill Turner TLC, Kate Emmings ITF
- 3. Using Media- Getting Your Message Across** - Dave Baxter, Communications Specialist

Break 10:45 – 11:15

Seminars Stream B 11:15 – 12:45

- 4. Educational Programs & Outreach for the Stewardship of Natural Areas** (Principles of effective communication in outdoor settings) - Adam Taylor HAT, (Wild BC – tbc.)
- 5. Land Acquisition - Assessment Protocols** - Barry Booth TLC
- 6. Conservation Framework / Species at Risk on Private Lands & Initiatives with Local Governments** - Kim Everett & Jenny Heron, MoE

Lunch 1:00 – 2:00

Seminars Stream C 2:00 – 3:30

- 7. Attracting and Retaining Volunteers and Board Members** – Angela Sealy VV & VRBC
- 8. Management on Conservation Lands** - Barry Booth TLC, Jeff Ralph ITF
- 9. Funding Panel** (discuss your projects, challenges and questions with key Environmental Funding Program Staff) - Brian Springinotic HCTF, David Cunningham HSP, Margaret Phelan EcoAction/Environmental Damages Fund (Facilitated by Lisa Fox, FVC)

Friday March 19th**Evening Events**

- 3:45–5:00 **Land Trust Alliance of BC Annual General Meeting**
 5:30–6:30 **Dinner & Silent Auction**
 6:30–7:15 **Presentation “Stewardship & Conservation of Snake Habitat”** Mike Sarrell
 7:15–8:30 **Conservation Volunteer Award of the Year**
Year in Review: “Stewardship & Conservation Successes in 2009”

Saturday, March 20th**Breakfast 7:15 – 8:00****Seminars Stream D 8:30 – 10:00**

10. **Mapping: how to use on-line mapping info and make your own maps** - Kathleen Sheppard
TLC, Community Mapping, Briony Penn
11. **Working with Local Governments to Increase Natural Area Protection** - Tasha Sargeant GCC,
Bryn White SOSCP
12. **Partnering and Building Relationships between province-wide and local land trusts** *Roundtable discussion* provincial land trust staff & local land trusts (Facilitated by Shawn Black, ITF)

Break 10:00 – 10:30**Seminars Stream E 10:30 – 12:00**

13. **Tax Implications for Conservation Lands** - Susan Mehinagic, Grant Thornton
14. **Developing Conservation Funds in Local Communities** - *panel discussion* on bringing regional Conservation Funds into more BC Communities - Kathy Dunster, TBC
15. **Site Visit C: 10:30 – 2:00 TLC's South Okanagan-Similkameen Stewardship Program** – prepare to leave from here on your way out *Pre-registration required – see Registration Form * Alyson Skinner and other TLC staff

Lunch & Closing Address: 12:15 – 1:15**Clinics – 1:15 One-on-one 20 minute meetings by registration/appointment only**

- C1: Carbon Credits and Land Conservation** – Briony Penn, LTABC
- C2: Land Trust Standards & Practices Assessment & Guide** - LTABC board/staff
- C3: Capital Gains Taxes** - Susan Mehinagic, Grant Thornton
- C4: Ecogifts** - Dave Cunningham, CWS

Acronyms

CFRE	Certified Fund Raising Executive	NCC	Nature Conservancy of Canada
CWS	Canadian Wildlife Service	SOSCP	South Okanagan-Similkameen Conservation Program
GCC	Grasslands Conservation Council	TBC	To be confirmed
FVC	Fraser Valley Conservancy	TBD	To be determined (participants will be notified)
HAT	Habitat Acquisition Trust	TLC	The Land Conservancy of BC
HSP	Habitat Stewardship Program	TNT	The Nature Trust of BC
HCTF	Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation	VV	Volunteer Vancouver
ITF	Islands Trust Fund	VRBC	Volunteer Resources of BC
LTABC	Land Trust Alliance of BC		
MoE	Ministry of Environment, BC		

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Descriptions of Workshops and Local Site Visits

Thursday March 18th

Workshop 9:30 – 4:15 Creating Reliable Fundraising in Unreliable Times - Kim Klein

Land Trusts and other conservation or stewardship organizations need dependable strategies for fundraising, which can grow quickly, use the wonderful talent of volunteers, and survive a roller coaster economy. In this fast paced practical workshop, Kim Klein will take you through how to set up, maintain and expand a systematic fundraising program that is predictable and manageable, how to identify prospects and ask for large amounts of money in person, and how to find new donors and keep them giving year in and year out without spending a fortune. You will learn how to segment your donor list so that you give donors the attention they want, how to structure your fundraising campaigns so that you are constantly building a fundraising team, and how to think long term while acting effectively in the moment. Kim Klein has worked with Land trusts in the USA and Canada and will speak specifically to your challenges.

Site Visit A - 12:30 – 4:00 apx Meet at parking area Smythe Road, Penticton

Skaha Bluffs/Sublot 18 This was a major partnership acquisition project that spanned several years and involved the NCC, MoE, TLC, TNT, The Climbers' Access Society of B.C. Penticton-area Climbers, MEC, and a host of wildlife conservation organizations/agencies such as the Wild Sheep Foundation and the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation. Commonly referred to as the Skaha Conservation Area, it is an important recreation land and provides critical habitat for bighorn sheep and other species at risk. This site is located just south of Penticton, approximately 25 minutes from Naramata. There are some spectacular views from this 304 ha. property. The access road does not normally open up until April, so participants will be required to walk approximately 1.5 kl. on the access road to the main hub/parking area. From here, a short circle hike on a foot trail will lead into the main bluffs area, where the terrain is slightly rugged and there will be lingering snowpack, so a sturdy (over the ankle) hiking boot/shoe is recommended, plus drinking water as needed. Participants should ensure they wear light colored clothing to avoid ticks. Total distance hiked on this site visit will be approximately 6.5 kl. (round trip).

Site Visit B – 12:30 – 4:00 apx. Meet at Osoyoos (TBD)

Join the First Nation's Land Trust for a site visit to Osoyoos Indian Reserve near Osoyoos The site is approximately 45 minutes from Naramata and will be joined with another visit to a restoration project on the way from Osoyoos toward Naramata. The tour would include several parcels of land that are being sought for protection as well as a visit to the Nk'mip Cultural Centre at Spirit Ridge in Osoyoos, expanded by a short hike to protected desert lands also in an almost pristine state. The tour will show specific parcels of extremely valuable lands ripe for protection or acquisition. The specific habitats are desert to grasslands and riparian habitat in a virtually untouched environment.

Okanagan River Restoration Initiative (ORRI)

During the 1950s much of the Okanagan River was straightened, narrowed and dyked to control flooding. This, and development adjacent to the river resulted in the loss of approximately 90% of important aquatic and riparian habitats. During 2009, the Ministry of Environment, the Okanagan Nation Alliance and partners directed the completion of Phase 1 of ORRI, reconnecting the river channel to a historic floodplain and oxbows along 600 meters of Okanagan River north of Oliver, providing huge benefits for aquatic and riparian species, including sockeye and Chinook salmon, rainbow trout, and several endangered wildlife species. Restoration of disturbed areas began. Planting of native vegetation will significantly contribute to the long term success of the project and provides benefits to the many residents and visitors who utilize the new hiking/biking path.

Saturday, March 20th

Site Visit C: - 10:30 – 2:00 Meet at Naramata Centre

TLC's South Okanagan-Similkameen Stewardship Program supports private landowners in conservation of natural areas. Join TLC for a tour of some exciting projects that local stewards are engaging in on their properties. Participants will need to dress for the weather and wear sturdy walking shoes. (Saturday afternoon – minimum 8)

All Welcome – for further information, call 250-538-0112, or email info@landtrustalliance.bc.ca



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REGISTRATION - Land Trust and Stewardship Seminar Series - March 18-20th

All events except site tours are at the Naramata Centre, Naramata, BC

Name: _____

Organization/Agency: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____ Member _____ Non-Member _____

Fees – Please tick the selected boxes of events you wish included

	<u>Non member Rate / Member Rate</u>	
Site Visits & Workshops: Thur. March 17 & Sat. March 20 (pre-register by March 5th)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising Workshop with Kim Klein	\$150	100
<input type="checkbox"/> Site Visit One: Skaha Bluffs	35	25
<input type="checkbox"/> Site Visit Two: Okanagan River Restoration and Osoyoos FN sites	35	25
<input type="checkbox"/> Site Visit Three: Stewardship Tour TLC	35	25

***Note Site Visits will be confirmed after March 5th including notification of meeting time/place.*

Full Program: (pre-registration rates to March 1st) Full Program includes Thursday evening opening and dinner through to Saturday lunch (includes all Seminars, Plenaries, Meals, and Shared Accommodation for Thursday & Friday nights on-site)

	<u>Non member Rate / Member Rate</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Program	\$450	375
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday only Rate (includes lunch)	150	100
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional dinner ticket (Thursday____ Friday____)		30
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Room Booking on-site Thursday & Friday nights	150	100
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Room Booking on-site for Wed. March 17	single: 100	shared: 65
<input type="checkbox"/> Presenter Discount		(-\$ 50)
<input type="checkbox"/> Clinic: (Please confirm a 20 minute Individual Clinic space on Saturday with)		25
Susan Mehinagic - Taxes _____	David Cunnington - Ecogifts _____	
Briony Penn - Carbon _____	LTABC - Standards & Practices _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> After March 1st Add \$50 for late registration		50

IF YOUR MEMBERSHIP HAS EXPIRED, OR YOU WISH TO JOIN, PLEASE INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP DUES

Annual Membership Land Trust (see member fees/rate on website)	\$125 - 500
Annual Membership Associate Organization (+ 50 for insurance option)	\$100 - 150
Annual Membership Individual/Professional	\$ 30 - 50

Amount Enclosed: _____

Ride sharing available.- Travel subsidies available for members
Registration is open to all - for inquiries call 250-538-0112

Send this registration form with your cheque to:

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