



The Agroecological City: Sovereignty, Resilience, and the Future of Food

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OPENING WELCOME

MARCH 2, 2021 ✖ 11 AM - 12 PM

Key Note Speaker: Ruth Orta

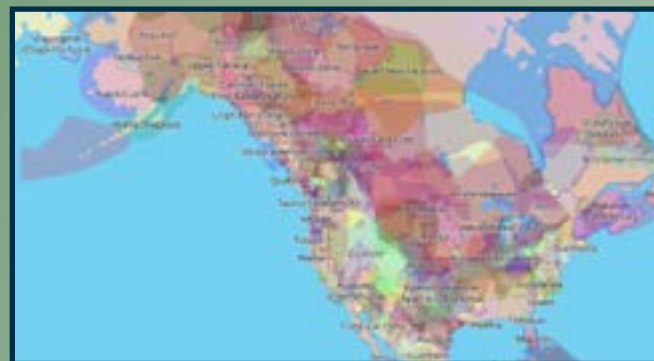
Elder of the Jalquin/Saclan/Ochejamne
(Ohlone/Bay Miwok, Plains Miwok)

Land Acknowledgement: Phenocia Bauerle

Director of Native American Student Development at UC Berkeley

Bay Area Indigenous Land & University Land Grant History Food Justice Actions

- [San Francisco Bay Area's Sogorea Te' Land Trust](#)
Led by urban Indigenous women
- If you are a resident on Lisjan Ohlone land, here's how to pay your annual [Shuumi Land Tax](#)
- Vision for the [West Berkeley Shellmound](#)
- Drop charges against [Indigenous People's Day 5](#)
- [Protect Juristac](#): Amah Mutsun's campaign to stop the mining UC Berkeley.
- Strengthen Ohlone food sovereignty in the East Bay through [mak'amham-Cafe Ohlone](#)
- Learn more about CA native [Soaproot](#)
- [UC's land grab history workshop series](#)
- [California Morrill Map: Allocations for the UC Endowment by Tribal Group](#)
- [High Country News article on Land Grab Universities](#)



Locate which [indigenous lands](#) you live on

ANCESTRAL HEALING THROUGH FOOD AND LAND: A PEER-TO-PEER WORKSHOP

MARCH 2, 2021 ✖ 2 - 4 PM

Moderator: Wanda Stewart

Founder of [Common Vision](#)

Cole Rainey

Graduate Student, UC Berkeley
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[Gill Tract Farm](#)

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Farmer and Founder of Radical Family Farms
[Radical Family Farms](#)

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Community Contributor with The Refuge
[The Refuge](#)
More on [Zion](#)

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[Three Sisters Gardens](#)

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Resources from the Audience:

Corinne Okada Takara
[Kitazawa Seed Co.](#)



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Access [notes](#) for this session and watch the recording [here](#)

INNOVATIVE LAND ACCESS FOR URBAN FARMING: PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

MARCH 3, 2021 ✖ 10 AM - 12 PM

Moderator: Gail Myers

Co-Founder of [Farms To Grow, Inc.](#)
Dr. Myer's film: [Rhythms of the Land](#)
Donate to help complete the documentary [here](#)

Corrina Gould

Tribal Spokesperson for the Confederated Villages of Lisjan/Ohlone
Co-Founder/Co-Director of the [Sogorea Te' Land Trust](#)
For residents on Lisjan Ohlone land, calculate your annual Shuumi Land Tax [here](#)
Explore the vision for the [West Berkeley Shellmound](#)

Raul Lozano

Founder and Executive Director of [Valley Verde](#)
Learn more about Raul and Super Jardineros [here](#)

Rev. Dr. Melinda McLain

Pastor
[The Good Table of the United Church of Christ](#)
Partnership with [Planting Justice](#)

Mai Nguyen

Farmer & Co-Founder of Minnow [Minnow](#), part land trust, part land acquisition, aimed at land justice
Learn more about [Farmer Mai](#)

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Resources from the Audience:

Kelly Rae Kirkpatrick

[Rochester, MN Seed Library](#)
[Rochester, MN City Council](#)
[Urban Agriculture State Legislation](#)

Rob Bennaton

[USDA Urban Natural Resources Stewardship](#)

Jade Quizon

[San Jose, CA Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone Ordinance](#)

INNOVATIVE LAND ACCESS FOR URBAN FARMING: PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS

MARCH 4, 2021 ✖ 10 AM - 12 PM

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Resources from the Audience:

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[ZooCity Food and Farm Network](#)
in Kalamazoo, MI

Julio Contreras

Masanobu Fukuoka's [Natural Farming](#)

Jennifer Trevis

Ecology Center's blog post titled "[Pulling Arsenic from the Santa Fe Right-of-Way](#)"

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CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION IN URBAN AGROECOLOGY

MARCH 4, 2021 ✖ 2 - 4 PM

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Resources from the Audience:

Jennifer Sowerwine

[Urban Tilth](#)

Marit Doshi

UC Berkeley Native Student Development
[Action Required: Using A Land Acknowledgement](#) (1 hr video)

Benjamin Fahrer

US House Agriculture Committee
[addressing climate solutions through regenerative agriculture](#) (4 hr video)

JUST TRANSITION TO AGROECOLOGY: TRANSFERRING POWER AND RESTORING SOVEREIGNTY TO BIPOC LAND STEWARDS

MARCH 8, 2021 ✖ 2 - 4 PM

Moderator: Charisma Acey

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View and notes session [agenda](#) and notes

INNOVATIVE LAND ACCESS FOR URBAN FARMING: LEGAL & POLICY DIMENSIONS

MARCH 9, 2021 ✖ 3 - 5 PM

Moderator: Nina F. Ichikawa

Executive Director, [Berkeley Food Institute](#)
[BFI Policy Briefs](#)

CA Assemblymember Robert Rivas

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[CA's Legislative Latino Caucus](#)
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Resources from the Audience:

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[US Composting Council](#)

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STRENGTHENING AGROECOLOGICAL RESILIENCE IN THE CITY

MARCH 10, 2021 ✖ 10 AM - 12 PM

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Read Josh's recent blog on beneficial &
pest insects "[the good, the bad, and the bugly](#)"

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[Learn more about soil pH](#)

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[Letter to the new US secretary of Agriculture](#) (15 min video)

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Natalia Pinzón

Graduate student at [UC Davis](#)
[CAFF's Disaster Clearinghouse Before Disaster Strikes](#)

"Farmers Build Wildfire Resilience," [online course](#) for farmers facing the future of fires
[Support Nuestra Comunidad farmworker disaster response efforts](#)

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Resources from the Audience:

Liz Carlisle

Research paper on [Bettering our Ecologically Skilled Workforce](#)
Research paper on [investing in new entry sustainable farmers](#)

CLOSING SESSION: CONNECTING THE DOTS

MARCH 11, 2021 ✖ 11 AM - 1 PM

Moderators:

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Key Note Speaker: Valentin Lopez

Chairman of the [Amah Mutsun Tribal Band](#)
President of the [Amah Mutsun Land Trust](#)

Growing Roots Collaborative

- Growing Roots [website](#)
- East Bay Area Growing Roots Collaborative [Newsletter](#)
- Current Growing Roots [research & extension project](#) (2018-2021)
- Current Growing Roots [team members](#)
- [The sustainable urban farming project](#) that inspired this conference
- Other [resources & publications](#)

Resources from the Audience:

Paul Rogé

Learn more about [the Ohlone People of Santa Cruz, CA](#)

Rob Bennanton

[Land Grant University Policy Brief](#) (2013)

Cole Rainey

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Thank you for attending!



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