



EARTH DAY TEXAS BRINGS THE BEST OF TEXAS TOGETHER THIS WEEKEND

The world's largest annual green exhibition offers guests the best live music, local food, exhibitions and interactive activities from the Lone Star State

DALLAS (April 18, 2016) – The spring weather isn't the only reason North Texas has turned emerald green this week. The world's largest annual green exhibition – Earth Day Texas (EDTx) -- kicks off this Friday, April 22 at 10 a.m. at Dallas' Fair Park. The free celebration runs through Sunday and is open each day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

EDTx has something for everyone, including exhibits, speakers, student field trips, live local music, a KERA Family Zone, an eco-film series, a local food market and sustainable beer garden. EDTx is the signature annual expo and forum for sharing the latest initiatives, discoveries, research, innovations, policies, products and corporate practices reshaping the world.

Weekend highlights include talks by leaders and luminaries such as Ted Roosevelt IV, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, Karenna Gore and Space Architect Constance Adams each day. Other speakers include Guro Grytli Seim, cofounder and COO of One Earth Designs, Laura Turner Seydel, eco-living expert and chairperson of Capitan Planet Foundation, Leilani Mütter, racecar diver and environmental activist, and Amory Lovins, co-founder, chairman and chief scientist of the Rocky Mountain Institute.

New to EDTx this year, the Savor Sustainable Food Market and Untapped Sustainable Beer Pavilion will offer visitors the best tastes and beers from locally sourced restaurants and responsible breweries. Food and beer vendors include:

- Café Momentum
- The Common Table
- Crisp Salad Company
- Front Room Tavern
- Garden Café
- The Porch
- Savor Dallas
- Tacodeli
- Alaskan Brewing Company
- Odell Brewing Co.
- Real Ale
- Sierra Nevada

Local Texas artists will take the stage on Friday, April 22 from 2:15 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. to provide hours of entertaining music all weekend. The live music will continue daily on Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24 with acts running back-to-back from 12:15 to 5:45 p.m. This year's lineup will feature Michael Martin Murphey, Kinky Friedman, Mountain Natives, Telegraph Canyon, The O's, The Tontons and more.

With more than 1,600 exhibit spaces at this year's event, friends and families can experience fun, easy-to-navigate, interactive and educational events and activities including:



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- **EMA/EDTx Eco-Film Series** – Watch powerful environmental films and meet the directors, producers and stars.
- **Tiny House Village** – Ten tiny houses will open their doors for tours in the first-ever EDTx Tiny House Village.
- **Yoga in the Park** – A meditation led by a Buddhist monk at Drepung Loseling Monastey, India, followed by a panel discussion and one-hour yoga class by the Dallas Yoga Center.
- **Tree Climber's International** – Learn how to climb trees rope-and-harness style with professional instructors on the tall, historic oaks at Fair Park.
- **LEGO® Build The Change** – During this three-day building event, children will be inspired to build their version of a more sustainable future using millions of LEGO® bricks.
- **Mobile Dairy Classroom** – Milk a cow in the Southwest Dairy Farmers exhibit space.
- **Sebastian Copeland Iceberg Photography** – Come see breathtaking photographs by the polar explorer, award-winning photographer, author, public speaker and environmental activist.
- **Conservation Through The Lens** – This art exhibit will tell the story of reforestation in East Texas.
- **Fishackathon** – Registered students will use coding and computer science to devise solutions to problems facing the world's fisheries.
- **LUNG FORCE Walk** – Organized with the American Lung Association, this 5k promotes lung and women's health everywhere.

For a full list of events, artists, vendors and activities visit <http://earthdaytx.org/event-schedule>.

About Earth Day Texas

Each April, Earth Day Texas hosts the world's largest public exhibition devoted to environmental stewardship, where attendees come together for breakthrough hope and discovery about how best to achieve a world of sustainable balance. The event is a platform that brings businesses, environmental organizations, academic institutions, and government agencies together to positively inspire people to think, live, and work sustainably. By providing enlightening talks, unique exhibits, and interactive workshops, EDTx catalyzes meaningful conversations that will shape a sustainable future. Earth Day Texas 2016 will be held at Fair Park in Dallas, Texas on April 22-24, 2016.

Sponsors for Earth Day Texas include **Air Liquide Advanced Technologies, ONCOR, Savor Dallas, Untapped Music and Beer Festival, KERA, and Dallas Rapid Area Transit**



(DART) (Steward Level) and **BNSF Railway Company, Texas Farm Bureau, Ben E. Keith, and DFW Child** (Advocate Level). All sponsors will exhibit and share their green stories at Earth Day Texas 2016.

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