



# **Rocky Mountain Sustainability Summit**

## **Forging Solutions at Colleges and Universities**

**February 11-13, 2009 • University of Colorado at Boulder**

### **Summary Program**

*All events take place in the University Memorial Center, unless otherwise noted.*

*This program is subject to change. Updated as of 1/30/09.*

More Info: <http://ecenter.colorado.edu/rmss2009>

## **Wednesday, February 11**

7:00-8:30pm     **Opening Keynote**  
“Panic in Level 4: Apocalypse and Transformation” by author **Richard Preston**

## **Thursday, February 12**

8:30-9:00am     **Registration, Refreshments**

9:00-10:30am   **Welcome and Opening Plenary**  
*Welcoming Remarks*  
*Opening plenary panel: “Leadership and Strategies for Climate Action”*  
featuring Bill Becker of Presidential Climate Action Project, Angie Fyfe of Colorado Governor’s Energy Office, and Tom Gonzales of National Wildlife Federation. Moderated by CU-Boulder Vice Chancellor Frank Bruno.

10:40-12:00pm **Set A: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**

- Conducting a GHG Emissions Inventory
- Approaches to Applied Learning
- Green Purchasing
- Transition Initiative
- Transportation: CollegePass Program Roundtable

12:00-1:20pm   **Lunch**  
Networking and Caucus format: Discussion topics are assigned to tables

1:30-2:50pm    **Set B: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**

- Sustainable Endowments: Investing With a Climate Change Lens During Challenging Times
- Approaches to Initiating and Institutionalizing Sustainability
- Combined Heat and Power
- Transportation: Bike Programs and Facilities
- Greening Curriculum

3:10-4:30pm    **Set C: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**

- Approaches to Energy and Climate: Conservation
- Student-driven Sustainability Approaches
- Sustainability Metrics: STARS

- Best Practices for Zero Waste Events
- Whole System Campus Planning

- 4:30-6:00pm **Rocky Mountain Mixer**  
with poster exhibit and refreshments
- 6:00-7:30pm **Evening Keynote**  
**“The New Color of Green: A Collective Voice Towards Change”**  
by Environmental Justice Champion and President of the Apollo Alliance **Jerome Ringo**
- 7:30-9:00pm **Peer Group Networking Dinners**  
Around town, reservations pre-arranged for groups, sign up at registration by 5:30pm.  
Participants are responsible for food and drink purchases.

## Friday, February 13

- 8:00-8:50am **Optional Morning Discussion**  
with CU-Boulder Athletic Director Mike Bohn on “Greening Athletics”. Limited capacity.
- 8:30-9:00am **Refreshments, Registration**
- 9:00-11:00am **Set D: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**
  - Zero Waste Campus: How Low Can You Go?
  - Environmental Justice Leadership Training
  - Climate Action Planning
  - Food and Farming
- 10:00am-4:00pm **Green Products Expo**  
A variety of exhibitors share sustainable products and services for institutional applications.
- 11:00am-12pm **Open Space:** Visit Green Products Expo, Tour UCB Facilities, Conversation Café
- 12:00-1:40pm **Lunch Plenary**  
**“Rising to the Climate Challenge: The Youth Climate Movement”** featuring Praween Dayananda of National Wildlife Federation and Energy Action Coalition with CU-Boulder students Jacob Golding and Andrea Zaragoza-Ballesteros.
- 1:50-3:10pm **Set E: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**
  - Fostering Climate Literacy & Effective Communication
  - Green Careers
  - Community Impact: Off-Campus Sustainability Initiatives
  - Building Support and Organizing: Forming a Campus Climate Coalition
- 3:10-3:30pm **Break:** Refreshments, Visit Green Products Expo
- 3:30-4:40pm **Set F: Concurrent Sessions and Workshops**
  - Approaches to Energy and Climate: Renewables and Offsets
  - Personal Sustainability: How to Avoid Burn Out
  - Environmental Justice Roundtable: Actions and Strategies
  - Sustainability Staffers Roundtable
- 4:40-5:30pm **Closing Dialogue and Happy Hour**