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# 2024 Urban Forest Symposium

## Native Forests and Health: Living in Relationships



October 22, 2024  
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## OBJECTIVES

- Gain understanding, knowledge, information, and cross-community relationships to strengthen eco-cultural systems and correlated health/healing outcomes.
- Become aware of the Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFI) Urban Forest and Community Sustainability Standard, Indigenous Objectives, and certification process for Seattle and Tacoma partnership opportunity potentials.
- Be further empowered for collaborative strategy planning, development and environment-focused health with Tribal, city, county, state government, landscape architect business, health agency, university, non-profit, and community partners.
- Learn soil quality relationships to Native forests, people and health.
- Be aware of Seattle and Tacoma applied and research projects.
- Learn Tribal eco-cultural forestry practices, knowledge and healing ways.
- Become further strengthened as a Native Forests and Health relationships leader!

## AGENDA

<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Cultural Invocation, Welcome, and Announcements</b> MCs: Jeffrey Thomas (Muckleshoot/Warm Springs), Timber, Fish & Wildlife Director, Puyallup Tribe; Micah McCarty, Makah Co-MC Young Adult: Brianna Jamison, Yakama, Lummi <b>Opening Songs:</b> John Halliday, Muckleshoot “Duwamish”, Warm Springs, Yakama <b>Welcome Acknowledgement:</b> Kim Camara, Affiliated, Director, Windz of Change Alliance; Lowell Wyse, Ojibwe descendant, Lac Courte Oreilles, Fond Du Lac, Executive Director, Tacoma Tree Foundation; Emma Thordsen, Program Coordinator, UW Botanic Gardens
<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Dr. Michelle Montgomery, Haliwa Saponi/descendant Eastern Band Cherokee, MA, MPP, PhD
<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Trees for the People &amp; People for the Trees: SFI’s Urban and Community Forestry Standard</b> Michael Martini, Director of Urban & Community Forestry, US, Sustainable Forestry Initiative
<b>11:15 am</b>	<b>Climate Change and Seattle Urban Forestry Strategy</b> Craig Chatburn, Senior Planning and Development Specialist, Seattle Parks and Recreation
<b>11:55 am</b>	<b>Raffle Drawing #1, #2, #3, #4</b> Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse
<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Centering Health Equity in the Planning and Design of Urban Green Space</b> Christian Runge, Associate Principal, Mithun
<b>12:45 pm</b>	<b>Honoring Keynotes Ceremony</b> Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse
<b>12:50 pm</b>	<b>Honoring of Cass Turnbull and PlantAmnesty</b> Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Kristin Jackson, Executive Director, PlantAmnesty
<b>12:55 pm</b>	<b>Sponsor Introductions</b> Kim Camara, Emma Thordsen, Brianna Jamison



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**Raffle Drawing #5, #6, #7, #8**

Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse

**LUNCH**

**Blessing:** John Halliday

Jason Vickers, Nipmuc, Chef, Natoncks Metsu

**Afternoon Session Introduction**

Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison

**Group Activity: Soils, Peoples, Place, and Health Relationships**

Zachary Pratt, Saami, CCC, EPCA, MS

**Summary Presentations:** Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison

**Student Research and Design Projects**

**Delridge Native Forest Garden Story Map**

Tim Reynon, Puyallup, Tribal Relations Director, City of Seattle; Katey Bean, Senior Landscape Architect, Urban Forestry, Seattle Department of Transportation; Katherine Magee, graduate student, College of Built Environments, UW; Simon Edgecumbe, BS student, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW

**Raffle Drawing #9, #10, #11, #12**

Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse

**BREAK**

**Panel: Urban Forests and People**

Moderator: Dr. Michelle Montgomery

James Davis, Volunteer, The Last 6000 Campaign; Kristin Jackson, Executive Director, PlantAmnesty; Lowell Wyse, Executive Director, Tacoma Tree Foundation

**Honoring Panelists Ceremony**

Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara

**Raffle Drawing #13, #14, #15, #16**

Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse

**Student Witness Summary**

Ayumi Saito, BSMS (Siddha), MPH

**Honoring Witness Ceremony**

Jeffrey Thomas, Micah McCarty, Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara

**Raffle Drawing #17, #18, #19, #20**

Brianna Jamison, Kim Camara, Lowell Wyse

**Closing the Circle**

