

MSU Libraries Environmental Committee

NEWSLETTER

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IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

SustainRT 50 for 50: Celebrating Earth Day 2020

April 22, 2020 marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Celebrated for the first time in 1970, it is a global event that demonstrates the support for environmental protection. This day marks the beginning of the modern environmental movement. Honoring this day, ALA's SustainRT is crowdsourcing ideas and actions that libraries of all kinds can adapt. The proposed ideas or recommended actions will be posted a month in advance and libraries can choose to implement one or more on Earth Day.

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If you have an idea or a recommendation that could make a difference, please use the [google doc](#) to submit it.

MSU LIBRARY UPDATES

Earth Day Exhibit

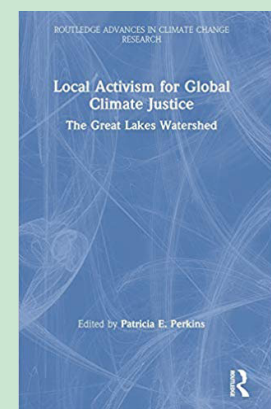
LEC is planning a Main Library exhibit to mark the upcoming 50th anniversary of Earth Day. This exhibit will include successful initiatives from the past and materials relating to the topic from MSU Archives. If you have any ideas for what the exhibit should include, please feel free to reach out to us at LIB.DL.lec@msu.edu.

MONTHLY READS

Local activism for global climate justice : the Great Lakes Watershed

With contributions from several climate activists and young authors, this book will inspire and spark grassroots action to address the undeniable effects of climate change. The book pays special attention to Canada and the Great Lakes watershed.

[Available at MSU Libraries](#)



UPDATES @ MSU

NSF Grant Supports Study of Low-Oxygen Zones

An international team of scientists that includes MSU's paleo-oceanographer Dalton Hardisty received a 1 million grant from NSF to study the effects of expansion of suboxic zones in the Baltic sea. Suboxic zones are the layers between oxygen rich zone at the surface of the ocean and anoxic zones at the floor of the ocean. Human contributions of nutrients into the oceans is exacerbating the depletion of oxygen causing the expansion of suboxic zones.

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