



livability speaker series

Program

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About the Series:

The Livability in the Land of Enchantment Speaker Series brings local and national speakers to venues across town once a month. Free public talks focus on making Santa Fe more affordable, sustainable, and vibrant, and are followed by a social hour with food, drinks, and community building.

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Tonight's Speaker:

Bill McKibben is a contributing writer to The New Yorker, and a founder of Third Act, which organizes people over the age of 60 to work on climate and racial justice. He founded the first global grassroots climate campaign, HYPERLINK "<http://350.org/>"350.org, and serves as the Schumann Distinguished Professor in Residence at Middlebury College in Vermont. In 2014 he was awarded the Right Livelihood Prize, sometimes called the 'alternative Nobel,' in the Swedish Parliament. He's also won the Gandhi Peace Award, and honorary degrees from 19 colleges and universities. He has written over a dozen books about the environment, including his first, The End of Nature, published in 1989, and his latest book is The Flag, the Cross, and the Station Wagon: A Graying American Looks Back at his Suburban Boyhood and Wonders What the Hell Happened.



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6:00pm-7:15pm

Opening Remarks: Jamie Blosser, Executive Director, Santa Fe Art Institute

Presentation by Bill McKibben, followed by an interview with Johanna Gilligan and questions from the audience (submitted via Slido)

7:15pm-8pm

Reception with food and drink from *Picnic*

About Homewise:

The Homewise mission is to help create successful homeowners and strengthen neighborhoods so that individuals and families can improve their long-term financial wellbeing and quality of life. Since 1986, Homewise has been helping people achieve their homeownership goals. We do this by focusing on our customers and placing their long-term financial wellbeing as the highest priority. We share in our customers' challenges and successes, using those experiences to build a better way to buy a home. We believe that strong homeowners help build healthy, vibrant communities.

<https://homewise.org>

About SFAI:

SFAI is an independent arts organization forging critical inquiry and cultural exchange among artists, creative practitioners, and the broader community. We support and amplify dynamic artistic practices that engage complex social issues, inspire individual transformation, and inform collective action.

SFAI supports over 70 artists, activists, and creative practitioners annually through residencies, workshops, civic engagement, and innovative public events.

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