

# THE Eco MOSQUITO

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS AND EVENTS AT HARVARD AND BEYOND

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It's finally here, the season we've all been waiting for! The Quad is officially free of snow and many a happy smile has been exchanged between strangers just because it's spring. At least we hope so. If not, go out there and get smiling at strangers!

## Say Thank You to the Only Home We've Ever Known



No matter where you were born, what you look like, or what language you first spoke, we are all at "home" on Earth. Let's celebrate with the rest of the world as we honor Earth Day on April 22. In fact, we like Earth so much that we decided to devote a whole week to the celebration. See below for a list of Earth Week events on campus.

### DON'T MISS THIS

Learn how your favorite HMS vendors are helping keep our campus Green at the **HMS Earth Fair** on **April 16** in the Courtyard Café from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enjoy food samples and free prizes.

Help promote sustainability this month by pre-ordering LED lightbulbs, power strips and water saving devices between **April 6-20** at [www.techniart.com/LMA](http://www.techniart.com/LMA) at reduced rates. Item pickup is on April 22 in the FXB Atrium at SPH and on April 23 in the Courtyard Café at HMS.

Learn how School of Public Health vendors leave their mark on sustainability at the **Harvard Chan School of Public Health Earth Fair** on **April 22** in the Kresge Atrium from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Be sure to also visit FXB Atrium during lunchtime to get your LED lightbulbs and other items that can help you stay green. Take the Stairs prizes will also be available for pick-up in the FXB Atrium. And Sebastian's Cafeteria will be going veg for the day!

Come to Countway Library's Ballard room on **April 24** from 11am-noon to meet renowned botanical explorer, **Joseph Simcox**, as he discusses his global adventures and shares his knowledge about edible plants. A tour of the **Countway Community Garden** will directly follow the seminar.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Have you ever stood in front of the waste area in the cafeteria and wondered where exactly to toss the remains of your lunch? Does having to choose between trash, recycling, and compost cause you to break out in a cold sweat? Even if it's not that serious, we know that it's not always obvious, either. On Monday, April 20 through Friday, April 24, "Composting Ambassadors" will be available in Sebastian's cafeteria at lunch time to help you sort your waste. There will also be stickers and maybe high fives!

## COMPOST

ALL FOOD  
SCRAPS



COMPOSTABLE  
CONTAINERS



NAPKINS &  
PAPER TOWELS



TEA BAGS &  
COFFEE GROUNDS



## Longwood's Very Own Secret Garden

Are you by any chance going a little stir crazy in your lab or office after a long winter? Soon enough it will be time to get out and enjoy the sun in a lovely little spot known



as the Countway Garden! The garden is located on the southwestern side of Countway Library and the entrance can be found behind the bike cage in the Kresge courtyard. While the Batman entrance does lend it a bit of a secretive feel, the garden will be open to all during lunch times this summer. The garden is communally-run and relies on volunteers to water and maintain it throughout the spring and summer. It's a great way to get outside during the day, meet people from around campus, and learn more about gardening. No gardening experience is required and everyone is welcome! If you're interested in volunteering this year, email Julia at: [countwaycommunitygarden@hms.harvard.edu](mailto:countwaycommunitygarden@hms.harvard.edu).

