HRES HONORS FIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNERS AT 2022 AWARDS DINNER

Thank you to HRES members and awardees who braved the weather on a chilly October night and participated in our “under the tent” event at the Ole Savannah Restaurant in Kingston on the Rondout Creek. Annually, our Leadership Awards program recognizes the contributions that individuals have made towards providing a better understanding of the environmental issues facing the citizens of the Hudson Valley. This dinner was the first in-person event award event that HRES has held since October 2019.

L to R: Clay Hiles, Dr. Isaac Wirgin, Dr. Melissa Everett, Laura Heady, Jim Morrison (HRES President) and Fran Dunwell.
(Photo: Anne Morrison)

The awardees for 2020 through 2022 cut across the scientific and educational spectrum and included: Dr. Ike Wirgin, Research Associate Professor at NYU’s Grossman School of Medicine (2020 Outstanding Environmental Researcher Award); Dr. Melissa Everett, Executive Director of Sustainable Hudson Valley (2021 Outstanding Practitioner Award); Laura Heady, Conservation and Land Use Coordinator, Hudson River Estuary Program (2020 Outstanding Environmental Communicator)
Award); Clay Hiles, former Director of the Hudson River Foundation (2021 Distinguished Service Award), and Fran Dunwell, former Director of the Hudson River Estuary Program (2022 Dennis J. Suszkowski Leadership Award). Congratulations to all our 2020 - 2022 award winners and we look forward to holding future Awards events in a timely fashion!

Additional information about HRES’s Leadership Awards program is available on our website www.hres.org.

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HRES is looking forward to our annual scientific symposium this spring to be held at Cary Institute on Wednesday April 19th. This year’s symposium topic – Landscape Tradeoffs as New York Transitions to Renewable Energy – addresses an issue of concern to scientists, resource managers, municipalities, and the general public throughout the Hudson Valley and other regions of the state. The goals of the 2023 Symposium are to: 1) present New York’s renewable energy goals; 2) Identify potential impacts to natural resources and landscapes; 3) Present ongoing research on impacts, impact minimization, and management strategies. Presenters include scientists and land managers from the Hudson Valley and elsewhere, representing academia, government and not-for-profit organizations/land trusts. We look forward to a day of informative presentations and lively discussion – hope to see you all there!

The current list of presenters includes:

- Sarah Osgood, Exec. Director Climate Action Council, NYSERDA
- Steven Grodsky, Cornell University
- Jeremy Magliaro, Environmental Research, NYSERDA
- Jennifer Manierre, Clean Energy Siting, NYSERDA
- Troy Weldy, Columbia County Land Conservancy
- Kate Miller, Invenergy
- Brandon Smith, New Leaf Energy
- Joseph R. Murray, Office of Renewable Energy Siting
- Audrey Friedrichsen, Scenic Hudson
- Echo Cartwright, The Nature Conservancy
- Andrew Gill, CEFAS, Suffolk, U.K.
- Linda Garrett, American Farmland Trust

To register for the 2023 symposium visit: 2023 Hudson River Symposium: Landscape and Renewable Energy Tickets, Wed, Apr 19, 2023 at 8:00 AM | Eventbrite

A HUDSON VALLEY PHOTO GALLERY

January Barge on the Hudson – Tivoli, NY
(Photo Credit: D. Yozzo)
View Across Tivoli South Bay in January
(Photo Credit: D. Yozzo)

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Founded in 1970, the Hudson River Environmental Society is a nonprofit, non-advocacy organization that delivers the science behind Hudson Valley issues to citizens, scientists, and decision makers. We enable objective discussions, provide forums for rigorous science, connect disparate views, and showcase the region’s natural heritage. We are academic researchers, government officials, nonprofit scientists, private consultants, teachers, students, and interested residents who find real solutions.