

ADDITIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS JOIN SUSTAINAFEST FOR FILM NIGHT IN ANNAPOLIS



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Three New Inspirational Guest Speakers Will Join A Powerful Lineup for SustainaFest's 'Films to Inspire A Sustainability Revolution'

Annapolis, MD - SustainaFest is pleased to announce the addition of three powerful guest speakers to our lineup to educate and entertain our attendees at "Films to Inspire a Sustainability Revolution." USA Paralympic athletes Clark Rachfal and Greta Neimanas, and Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation Executive Director Vince Leggett will join Allyson Barlow of Right to Play and Henry Lystad of Mountainfilm in Telluride in introducing our films and speaking with our film-goers. The five wonderful special guests will be joined by several leading sustainability figures from the Chesapeake region, students from our Founding Partners' schools, and perhaps a couple of surprise appearances.

Clark Rachfal, an Annapolis resident, has just returned from the 2012 London Paralympics where he competed as a tandem cyclist. "Every kid grows up watching and dreaming about representing their country and the Olympic Games," stated Rachfal. "I chalked this up as a pipe dream as my vision deteriorated. With this competitive outlet and opportunities available through U.S. Paralympics, it is now possible for me to achieve that childhood dream and show others that no dream is out of reach."

Greta Neimanas resides in California and recently joined Clark in representing the USA in London as a cyclist. Born with her left arm missing below the elbow, Greta was fitted with her first prosthetic arm at only six months of age. By ten, she was skiing and camping and took up competitive cycling at sixteen. Greta has been a Paralympian since 2008, competing at a highest level of her sport. In her limited spare time, she pursues skiing, kayaking, and wakeboarding with a smile and bring-it-on attitude.

In 1984, Vince Leggett founded the Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation with the express intent of sharing the legacy of African American achievement, fostering preservation of the environment, and facilitating the economic success of the Chesapeake Bay maritime trade and seafood-related industries. Vince's knowledge and passion for the mission of the Foundation and the sustainability of the African American culture on the Chesapeake resonates in his experiences and stories.

Join the celebration - and ongoing conversation - on what we can all do to create a healthier, more prosperous, and sustainable Chesapeake Bay region. To learn more about SustainaFest, our events and activities, please visit www.sustainafest.org or email us at info@sustainafest.org