



The 2018 Aldo Leopold Writing Contest Award Ceremony

The Leopold Writing Program builds on Aldo Leopold's legacy as a writer by inspiring the next generation of environmental leaders to participate in the evolution of environmental ethics through the written word.

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12 pm Luna Mansion
Los Lunas, New Mexico

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The trick, I suppose, is to contradict those who say vigilance is not necessary, while at the same time being careful not to declare any particular person or thing the enemy—that religion, this or that political party, a certain constituency, capitalism, this or that head of state. It would be to dismantle the stage upon which any tyrant, any self-anointed claimant to power, performed. It would be to direct the attention of his audience to a place where that tyrant has no authority, no influence.

Barry Lopez

First Annual Leopold Lecture

2017

- 12:00 pm **Welcome by Anthony Anella**
Founder, The Leopold Writing Program
- 12:15 pm **Lunch and Lecture by David R. Parsons, MS**
David Parsons received his Bachelor of Science degree in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology from Iowa State University and his Master of Science degree in Wildlife Ecology from Oregon State University. From 1990-1999 he led the USFWS's effort to reintroduce the endangered Mexican gray wolf to portions of its former range in the Southwest.
- 12:45 pm **Award Presentation**
Brian O'Connell, Executive Director, Golden Apple Foundation of New Mexico, and Leeanna Torres, former Aldo and Estella Leopold resident.
- Reading by 6th-7th grade Award Winner:
Seth Almanzar of Rio Rancho Middle School
Essay in honor of Josh Nelson
 - Reading by 8th-9th grade Award Winner:
Elijah Russell of Jimmy Carter Middle School
Essay in honor of his grandfather
 - Reading by 10th-12th grade Award Winner:
Peter Watson of Los Alamos High School
Essay in honor of Craig Martin
 - Reading by overall winner:
Akshay Warriar of Albuquerque Academy
Essay in honor of his father
- 1:15 pm **Recognizing the Writing Contest Judges**
Jennifer Chavez-Miller, 2010 Golden Apple Fellow and 2018 National Geographic Grosvenor Teaching Fellow
- 1:30 pm **Thank you**
Anthony Anella