



*"A land ethic...reflects the existence of an ecological conscience, and this in turn reflects a conviction of individual responsibility for the health of the land. Health is the capacity of the land for self-renewal. Conservation is our effort to understand and preserve this capacity." -- Aldo Leopold*

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The 4th Annual Aldo & Estella Leopold Residency Lecture

# Gavin Van Horn

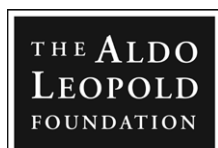
## Writing the Urban Wild

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6:30 - 8:30 pm Thursday 23 July 2015  
Harwood Museum

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