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## **Tribe being led astray by council**

**By DAVID JIN SPECIAL TO LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL Mar. 3, 2013 | 2:12 a.m.**

I'm very proud of the Grand Canyon Skywalk, a magnificent, translucent, horseshoe-shaped bridge that extends 70 feet out and over the west rim of the Grand Canyon. I built this extraordinary tourist destination as an economic development tool and jobs engine for the Hualapai Tribe. The Hualapai are wonderful people who, unfortunately, have been led astray by a handful of misinformed individuals on the Tribal Council and their hired lawyers.

I'm saddened that Sherry Counts, current Hualapai chairwoman, wants to invoke my 2003 Skywalk development and management agreement with the tribe's business arm, Sa Nyu Wa, only when it suits her. Chairwoman Counts says I didn't hold up my end of the contract, but critically fails to reveal that it was the Tribal Council's obligation to bring water, sewer and electric to the site so that I could complete construction of the visitors center. She wasn't on the Tribal Council back in 2003, had nothing to do with our negotiations and is not listening now to tribal leaders who made the deal with me.

When I asked SNW to pay me my share of the management fees from Skywalk ticket sales in 2008, they said no. I asked for the management fees in 2009. SNW said no. I asked for the management fees in 2010. SNW said no. I asked for the management fees in 2011. SNW said no.

Our agreement contained a provision that either party could call for binding arbitration in the event of a dispute. SNW participated in the arbitration process, but when ordered to turn over

point-of-sales information, it suddenly pulled out. They said there was nothing to arbitrate since they took over my rights through a hastily enacted eminent domain law designed for me. Clearly, the arbitrator, and, most recently, the U.S. District Court disagreed with the Tribal Council and awarded me a \$28.6 million judgment, representing damages and unpaid management fees from 2007-2011. Experts estimate my total damages at \$277 million for the balance of our contract.

The Tribal Council has filed a notice of appeal to the federal court's well-reasoned ruling. This delay tactic will be just more legal expense on the backs of the Hualapai people. My attorneys will act swiftly to require that the Tribal Council post a bond (including post-judgment interest) to secure my \$28.6 million judgment as we await the outcome of the Tribal Council's appeal to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

If the Tribal Council persists in trying to cut me out and pay what they claim is "fair market value" for my rights under the contract, they should not believe that their responsibility ends with the limited liquid assets held by SNW. Since the Tribal Council has sought to formally take over my rights in its Tribal Court, my attorneys tell me the tribe has lost the ability to hide behind the SNW corporate entity and has subjected itself to personal responsibility for the total value of the contract - estimated at \$277 million.

Now, Chairwoman Counts has issued a letter to the tribe announcing SNW's intention to file bankruptcy.

When I operated the Skywalk, it produced great income for the tribe. Now, they say that SNW can't pay its creditors and therefore it needs the protection of U.S. Bankruptcy Court. This desperate tactic is clearly designed to delay paying me my \$28.6 million in past management fees. It should now be clear to members of the tribe that the bad management by the Tribal Council is bringing the tribe to economic ruin.

My story is not being heard by the Hualapai because Chairwoman Counts is censoring what the Hualapai see in the tribal newsletter, Gamyu. Anyone who wants to read the truth can find it at [www.grandcanyonskywalkfacts.com](http://www.grandcanyonskywalkfacts.com).

David Jin is the president and CEO of Grand Canyon Skywalk Development LLC.

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**21st Cross Cultural Medicine Workshop Planned for Late April**

Native News Network Staff in [Native Health](#) »

**SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO** – The Association of American Indian Physicians will conduct a workshop on Cross Cultural Medicine designed to provide physicians, medical students, faculty, minority program staff, counselors and other health care professionals with a greater understanding of Western and Traditional Medicine.

**April 25-28**

The Cross Cultural Medicine workshop will be held April 25 - 28, at the Hotel Santa Fe in Santa Fe, Mexico.

Participants will be able to:

- Identify strategies to improve communication between American Indian/Alaska Native patients and health professionals.
- Describe current health issues affecting Indian communities in both reservation and urban settings.
- Compare and contrast Western and Traditional Medicine views of health.
- Improve understanding of the role of traditional healers

If you are a student interested in attending the workshop, AAIP MAY have a limited number of student scholarships available. These scholarships will cover the student's travel, hotel and some meals. If you are interested in applying for a student scholarship, please submit the registration form and the Student Primary Data Sheet. Any student applying for the student scholarship must have his/her registration form and Student Primary Data Sheet to AAIP by no later than Wednesday, April 17.

There are a limited number of spaces, so please register early. Find a registration form and Student Primary Data Sheet at [AAIP.org](#) »

Please submit your registration form and Student Primary Data Sheet, if necessary, with payment to Association of American Indian Physicians  
 1225 Sovereign Row, Suite 103, Oklahoma City, OK 73108

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**Forecasting the Future of Cloud Computing**

As cloud-based computing gains in popularity and power, businesses and educators need to rethink training for the next generation of computer science specialists, and for students, in general, according to tech-based business leaders and two higher-education professionals.

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[Welcome teachers, librarians, homeschoolers and nonfiction writers! This blog offers innovative resources for teaching science and tips for writing nonfiction.](#)

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**Suzanne Goldenberg | Shell Suspends Arctic Drilling**

*Suzanne Goldenberg, Guardian UK*

Goldenberg reports: "Shell shut down its 2013 drilling season in the Arctic waters off Alaska on Wednesday, after a series of mishaps and mechanical failures. The oil company said in a statement it was putting its operations off the coast of Alaska on pause for 2013, but remained committed to drilling at a later stage." [READ MORE](#)

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**Availability of sugar influences rate of diabetes, study says** [www.latimes.com](http://www.latimes.com)

[In a finding certain to put new pressure on the purveyors of sugary foods and drinks, a worldwide analysis shows that regardless of its effect on obesity , the ebb and flow of sugar in a country's diet strongly influences the diabetes rate there.](#)

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**Sierra Nevada snow survey offers 'gloomy' picture**

**Matt Weiser, Sacramento Bee**

A new Sierra Nevada snow survey on Thursday puts hard numbers on what is already plain to the eye: Winter has turned bone-dry in California.

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**U.S. Water Management**

Two reporters from *StateImpact Oklahoma* wrote an in-depth overview of the [state's water policies](#). Covering supply and demand, infrastructure issues, and pending legislation, the report captures Oklahoma's efforts to plan for controllable and uncontrollable elements of the state's water security.

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**New carving book concludes Fariello's trilogy on Cherokee arts and crafts**  
[heonefeather.com](http://heonefeather.com)

[A new book by Anna Fariello of Western Carolina University's Hunter Library examines carvers active among the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in the early to mid 20th century.](#)

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March 7 Deadline - **Southwest Oral History Association** will award two scholarships to Native Americans to attend the annual conference in Las Vegas, April 4-6. They may be practicing oral historians or those with a serious interest in oral history and must live or work in Arizona, Nevada, California or New Mexico. To request an application form or for more information

contact Carlos Lopez, Scholarship Chair via [email](#) or Sarah Moorhead via [email](#) or call (480) 962-6227.

**March 15 Deadline - University of Arizona's Early Academic Outreach Presents the Native American Science and Engineering Program** - June 9-15, University of Arizona, Tucson. For Native American Junior and Senior High School students that are highly interested in math, science, and engineering fields. Free, includes housing, meals, program activities and more. Contact Mandy at (520) 626-2300 or email [her](#).

**April 1 Deadline - Holland & Knight Young Native Writers Contest** - Open to Native American high school students currently enrolled in grades 9-12 only. Students should have a significant and current relationship with their Native American tribal community. For more information click [here](#).

**Podiatrists Needed** - Did you know that the number one reason that diabetic patients get admitted to the hospital is for foot complications. These foot complications, and many other food disorders encountered in children and adults, are managed by podiatrists. There are about 15,000 Doctors of Podiatric Medicine in the United States handling injuries, infections, and all manner of painful foot and ankle conditions. There is a tremendous need for more well trained podiatrists to serve the Indian Health Service or work for tribal owned facilities due to the frequency of foot complaints in the Native American population. To become a podiatrist you first complete a general pre-medical course of study in undergraduate school, then finish doctoral studies at an accredited college such as the Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine (AZPod) on the Glendale campus of Midwestern University. Podiatric surgeons then go on to complete three years of residency before entering practice. Two of the recent graduates of AZPod are currently completing their residency training at the Tuba City Regional Health Care facilities on the Navajo Reservation in Northern Arizona. If you have any interest in exploring this exciting career, you can arrange to visit the Midwestern University campus for a discussion and tour. Simply contact Julie Brooker at (623) 572-3450 or email [her](#).

**RI Txt (Real Text) Young Writers Program** - Central Arizona Writing Project at Arizona State University - Tempe. Two sessions: June 3-14 or June 17-28. 9:00 a.m.-noon. Fee. For students entering grades 3-12. Deadline to apply is April 26. For information click [here](#).

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### **[Jim Hightower | In Battling Monsanto's Greed, Tenacity Matters](#)**

**Jim Hightower, Op-Ed: Remember the 1950s horror movie “The Bad Seed?”** Any remake should cast Monsanto in the title role, because whenever something scary is being done to our food, you can usually find Monsanto lurking in the shadows. During the past two decades, this biotech behemoth has used its political connections to obtain a monopolistic grip on the creation, sale and proliferation of Frankenseeds—the seeds of corn, cotton, soybeans and other crops that have had genetically modified organisms spliced into their natural DNA structure by corporate lab technicians. [READ](#) | [DISCUSS](#) | [SHARE](#)

## **Behind the Brands: On Food Justice, Oxfam Gives Coca Cola, Kellogg's, Nestle and Pepsi Failing Grades**

**Amy Goodman, Video Report:** Oxfam has released a comprehensive report that measures how the world's 10 largest food companies perform on food justice issues. No company emerges with passing grades. The 10 companies Oxfam scores are Associated British Foods, Coca Cola, Danone, General Mills, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestlé, Pepsico and Unilever. Collectively, these companies make \$1 billion a day. Oxfam based its report seven criteria: Small-scale farmers, farm workers, water, land, climate change, women's rights and transparency.

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## **GrantStation**

### *National Funding Opportunities*

Support for Performing Arts Programs Highlighting Muslim Culture

#### **Building Bridges: Campus Community Engagement**

The purpose of the Building Bridges: Campus Community Engagement grant program, administered by the Association of Performing Arts Presenters (APAP), is to expand awareness, knowledge, and understanding of Muslim societies through the performing arts. This program will support U.S.-based performing arts presenting organizations interested in building interdisciplinary cross-campus and community collaborations that use the arts and media to highlight the diversity of Muslim populations around the world in order to dispel negative stereotypes and increase cultural understanding. Up to eight grants, ranging from \$100,000 to \$200,000, will be awarded to designated presenting organizations for colleges or universities. The Round 1 application deadline is April 24, 2013. (An informational webinar will be held on March 5, 2013.) Visit the APAP website to review the program guidelines.

Family, Children, and Pet Programs in the U.S. and Canada Funded

#### **Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation**

The Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the United States and Canada that enhance the quality of life for children, families, and pets. The Foundation's grant categories include children's health and wellness, literacy and education, and domestic pets. Individual project grants as well as organization program grants are provided. Priority is given to nonprofit organizations located near Build-A-Bear Workshop stores. Applications will be accepted from February through the end of October 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to review the funding guidelines for each of the grant categories and submit an online application.

Seniors Tackling Social Problems Recognized

#### **The Purpose Prize**

The Purpose Prize, sponsored by Encore.org, provides awards of up to \$100,000 to people over 60 who are taking on society's biggest challenges. The prize recognizes those with the passion and experience to create new ways to solve tough social problems, from hunger to homelessness. Nominees may be working in public, private, nonprofit, or for-profit organizations; they must be legal residents of the U.S. or U.S. citizens living abroad who have initiated important innovations in an encore career. The nomination deadline for the 2013 Prize is April 4, 2013. Visit the Purpose Prize website to learn more about the nomination process.

Grants Enhance School Libraries

**[Snapdragon Book Foundation](#)**

The Snapdragon Book Foundation seeks to foster children's literacy by providing grants to school libraries throughout the United States serving disadvantaged youth. In a time when many schools are reallocating their funds to technology and audiovisual equipment, the Foundation hopes to make sure that school libraries are still offering children good books to read. In the past few years grants have ranged from \$800 to \$20,000. K-12 private, public, and charter schools are eligible to apply. The application deadline is April 15, 2013. Application guidelines and forms are available on the Foundation's website.

***Regional Funding Opportunities***

Health and Wellness Programs in Selected States Supported

**[Health Care Service Corporation: Healthy Kids, Healthy Families Initiative](#)**

Healthy Kids, Healthy Families, an initiative of Health Care Service Corporation, is designed to improve the health and wellness of children in Illinois, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. The goal of the initiative is to support nonprofit organizations that offer sustainable, measurable programs to reach children and their families in the following areas: nutrition education, physical activity, disease prevention and management, and safe environments. The application deadlines vary by state. Download the application instructions and FAQs from the initiative's [grant page](#) in order to learn more about each state's grant cycle.

Funds for Youth-Serving Organizations in New England

**[Boston Bruins Foundation](#)**

The mission of the Boston Bruins Foundation is to assist nonprofit organizations that demonstrate a strong commitment to enhancing the quality of life for children throughout New England. The Foundation concentrates its grantmaking on the following four areas: The Athletic category focuses on nonprofit youth sports organizations. The Academic category supports programs that provide homework assistance and a safe learning environment to develop social and learning skills for pre-school, primary, and middle school children. The Health category addresses research, healthcare, and prevention issues. The Community Outreach category enhances organizations that are working with at-risk youth, including after-school activities. The application deadline is April 1, 2013. Visit the Bruin's website to learn more about the Foundation and to download the application form.

Grants Address Poverty Issues in South Carolina

**[Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina: Caritas Fund](#)**

The Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina works continually to address the needs of the poor and underserved in South Carolina. The Foundation's Caritas Fund provides grants to nonprofit organizations and faith-based agencies based in South Carolina that provide outreach services in order to meet the basic needs of the poor. These awards of up to \$5,000 are designed for organizations with annual budgets of less than \$600,000 that are dealing with situational poverty or crisis poverty. The first Caritas Fund application deadline for 2013 is April 2. Visit the Sisters of Charity Foundation's website to review the application guidelines and submit an online request.



Support for Libraries Working to Improve Health in Minnesota

**[Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation: Public Libraries for Health](#)**

Public Libraries for Health, an initiative of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation, is intended to engage public libraries in Minnesota as leaders in improving conditions in low-income communities to help members of the community reach their full health potential. The Foundation will award up to three grants of up to \$50,000 each to support library-based projects that engage low-income communities in addressing one or more of the following five social and economic factors that affect health: education, employment, income, family and social support, and community safety. (Support will not be provided for projects that are focused exclusively on health education, healthy lifestyle, or direct health-related activities such as sponsoring health screenings.) The application period will open on March 6, 2013, and the proposal deadline is April 9, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to download the request for proposals.

***Federal Grant and Loan Programs***

Support Available for Substance Abuse Programs in Underserved Areas

**[Department of Health and Human Services: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#)**

The Grants to Expand the Use of Technology-Assisted Care in Targeted Areas of Need program provides support to expand or enhance the capacity of substance abuse treatment providers to serve persons in treatment who have been underserved because of lack of access to treatment in their immediate communities. The application deadline is April 10, 2013.

Program Targets Childhood Obesity

**[Department of Agriculture: Agriculture and Food Research Initiative](#)**

The Childhood Obesity Prevention program provides support to reduce the prevalence of overweight and obesity among children and adolescents. The program seeks to bring about behavior change as well as improve knowledge, and supports integrated research, education, and extension projects. The application deadline is April 11, 2013.

Rural Health Information Technology Programs Supported

**[Department of Health and Human Services](#)**

The Rural Health Information Technology (HIT) Workforce Program supports formal rural health networks that focus on activities relating to the recruitment, education, training, and retention of health information technology specialists. The application deadline is April 15, 2013.

Support Available for Research on Violence against Women

**[Department of Justice](#)**

The Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Violence, and Intimate Partner Violence program supports research and evaluation related to violence against women. Activities may be focused at the federal, state, local, tribal, juvenile justice policy, or practice level. The application deadline is April 22, 2013.

***Correction:*** In the February 25th edition of the *Insider*, GrantStation posted a federal announcement for the Department of Health and Human Services' Job Opportunity for Low Income Individuals Projects program. The program is **not** accepting applications in 2013.



GrantStation apologizes for this error.

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[Native American Paiute Indian Eagle Dance 1997](#)

[www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

[Native American Paiute Indian Eagle Dance, 1997, performed by the Frazier family. Wesley Jim singing with Mervin Wright and Merlin Thompson drumming. Mervin ...](#)

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[Dine College Red Dawn Club Presents 43rd Annual Powwow](#)

[networkedblogs.com](http://networkedblogs.com)

[April 12, 2013 - April 13, 2013 - 12:00 am Drum Contest/Hand Drum Contest Round Dance Hand Game Tournament! Friday: Gourd 5:30 pm, Grand Entry 7 pm Saturday: Gourd 11 am & 5:30 pm Grand Entry 1 & 7 pm Arts & Crafts/Food Booths available Dine College Pow Wow Bazaar Men's Fancy Dance Special Women's F](#)

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[First Nations University of Canada Powwow 35th Annual Spring Celebration](#)

[networkedblogs.com](http://networkedblogs.com)

[April 6, 2013 - April 7, 2013 - 12:00 am Admission \\$ 7.00 Daily \\$ 10.00 Weekend Pass plus \\$2.00 for Brandt service fee Children 5 & under free For advance weekend passess: Contact Student Success Services 790-5950 ext 3001 Grand Entry 12 pm & 7 pm daily Grand Entry points taken Dancers must be in fu](#)

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Native Americans urge the U.S. Congress to support the **National Bison Legacy Act**, which would designate the American bison as our country's National Mammal.

Read Story Here ==> <http://bit.ly/Celebrating-the-Historic-Ties-of-Native-Americans-to-the-Bison>

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[Thundering Hills Pow Wow](#)

[networkedblogs.com](http://networkedblogs.com)

[July 5, 2013 - July 7, 2013 - 12:00 am Over \\$100,000 in Cash and Prizes to be awarded! Drum Contest: 1st: \\$15,000 2nd: \\$10,000 3rd: \\$8,000 4th: \\$6,000 Old Style Fancy Shawl Special: 1st: \\$5,000 Men's Chicken Special: 1st \\$5,000 Men's Chicken Special 18+: 1st \\$1,000 & 5 Consolation: \\$100 3-Man](#)



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## FOCUS | The Birthers of Fracking

David Weigel, *Slate Magazine*

Weigel writes: "The fracking business is expanding faster than its affects can be studied. 'The



beyond methane migration,' says Fox." [READ MORE](#) impacts of fracking go far

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If you [A](#)re not yet registered, here's what you will miss out from the Agenda for Week #4 - with live Q & A's to follow as noted. Watch all of these videos **in the Rare Earth Auditorium, sponsored by Tremco**:

**Monday, March 4, 2013:**

**Inspiration Nook: "[Upping the Urban Green. What is the Actual and Potential Role of Ecology in our Cities?](#)"** by **Dr. Mark Simmons** and **Christine Thuring** with live Q & A

This short video gives a brief introduction to urban ecology and presents a case for collaborative ecological urban design towards an optimistic future for our cities and planet. In order to gauge how opinions vary by culture and discipline, participants are invited to participate in a short 10 question, global [online survey](#) which seeks to answer how can we do better as professionals.

**"[Phyto Kinetic: Gardens in Movement](#)"** by **Marc Grañén** with live Q & A

The landscape artist from Catalonia created Phyto Kinetic to gain those lost green spaces in where there's only concrete and asphalt; a world trademark to "engarden" the roofs of public transport - buses! He says, "Finally, we have started to have green roofs and vegetal walls; now we have also gardens in movement."

**Tuesday, March 5:**

**"[The Status of Chinese Green Roofs at the Moment and in the Future](#)"** by **Wang Xianmin** - no live Q & A

The Deputy Chief of the Vertical Greening Academic Group of China Green Building Council, Vice Chairman of the International Rooftop Landscaping Association (IRLA), and Secretary-general of the 2012 and 2013 China World Green Roof Conference gives us an overview of greenroof challenges and growth in China.

**"[Development of Different Types of Green Roofs & Green Walls for Improved Urban Biodiversity and Green Clime Adaptation in Cold Climates](#)"** by **Dr. Tobias Emilsson** with live Q & A

The Marie-Curie Senior research fellow and researcher at the Landscape Management, Design and Construction Department of the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) will discuss how green roofs and green walls can be designed for improving biodiversity and urban climate. It will showcase a number of different research projects that are run in cooperation with the City of Malmö and the Scandinavian Green Roof Institute.

***The Closing LIVE Expo Wednesday, March 6 at the Expo Pavilions:***

**Expo Wednesdays are Feb. 13, 20, 27 & Mar. 6** - four full days of *live* action where you'll see leading companies and learn about their products and services. Also peruse The Associates Pavilion, where you'll learn about different world organizations. Visit both all 30 days and leave them a message if it's not a Wednesday!

***Expo Wednesday March 6 in the Rare Earth Auditorium:***

**Closing Keynote Address "[Reflections of a Green Roof Campaigner and Visions of the Future](#)"** by **Dusty Gedge** with live Q & A

The President of the European Federation of Green Roof Associations and Co-Founder of Livingroofs.org reviews the past 15 years of his life involved in green roofs in the UK and Europe - from biodiversity to climate change to bridging the gap between the industry and policy. And he wonders what the next 15 will hold - how can we step up to the plate and retrofit our cities with soil and vegetation and meet the challenges of the 21st Century, the century of the mega city - and how *mega green cities* are the future.

**Panel Session "[Sky Parks in the Public Realm - Elevating Green Ways and Urban Connectivity](#)"** with **Dr. Maureen Connelly (Moderator)**, **Sadhu Aufochs Johnston**, **Randy Sharp**, and **Dr. Tan Puay Yok** with live Q & A

Dr. Maureen Connelly of the Centre for Architectural Ecology, British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) School of Construction and the Environment leads this panel with Deputy City of Vancouver Manager Sadhu Johnston and Randy Sharp, BCSLA, FCSLA, ASLA, GRP of Sharp & Diamond Landscape Architecture in Vancouver, B.C. Canada with Tan Puay Yok of the Department of Architecture of the National University of Singapore in Singapore.

How can we captivate the use of under-utilized area of rooftops and explore our city in elevated plan and section for the creation of new amenities space and vibrant public places, and for bridges as pedestrian and cycle transportation routes, and even for food security opportunities? How can an exploration of Sky-Gardens and elevated green ways support Vancouver's Greenest City Action Plan [\[A\]](#) and vice-versa? The City of Singapore, through experience and precedents, can provide a global context to advance the vision.

Make sure to join the conversation in their Q & A Session from across two continents!

**Thursday, March 7:**

**"[Introduction to Integrated Water Management](#)"** by **Jeff Bruce**, FASLA, LEED AP, ASIC, GRP with live Q & A

The President of Jeffrey L. Bruce & Company will share basic technical and economic information on the design and performance of a fully integrated site and building water management system based on the [\[A\]](#)Net Zero Water<sup>[A]</sup> concept. Key concepts and terminology are illustrated by case studies and demonstration projects which identify issues and opportunities associated with costs and benefits, design and engineering practices, installation and maintenance requirements of a fully functional integrated site and building water management system.

**"[Green Roofs & Solar: Double Your Benefits!](#)"** by **Jörg Breuning** and **Ryan Miller** with live Q & A

Jörg Breuning, Principal of [Green Roof Technology](#) (and newest Greenroofs.com [contributing editor](#)) and Office Manager Ryan Miller provide a view into how combining the two technologies of solar photovoltaics plus vegetative roofing equals profits for the environment and the building owner.

**NOTE:** Read Jörg's inaugural article here on Greenroofs.com, "[Cool Roofs Are Not Green Roofs.](#)"

**Friday, March 8:**

**"[Urban Green in Australia](#)"** by Matt Dillon - no live Q & A

The President of [Green Roofs Australasia](#), takes you on a journey with onsite talks about new urban green sites in Australia, including the current Central Park Towers in Sydney.

**"[How Green Roofs in Copenhagen Create New Opportunities, Climate Adapt Our City and Transform Our Living](#)"** by **Dorthe Rømø** - no live Q & A

**The biologist and** Project Manager for the [City of Copenhagen](#), Dorthe is behind the initiative for green roofs in Copenhagen and has in the last 5 years been head of the project as part of the Public Administration for the city. She asks, "How do we make this outstanding alternative to conventional solutions as a part of our urban planning and design? In Copenhagen and Denmark we are in a process of still growing attention and awareness of this multifunctional

climate adapted solution and still more municipalities incorporate the green roofs as part of their planning. But we are also facing some challenges like quality and economy in the choice of green roofs and how to meet these?"

**And to wrap up the VS2013 with Week #5 have:**

**Monday, March 11, 2013:**

**"[The Marina Bay Sands Integrated Resort](#)" by Jaron Lubin - no live Q & A**

Watch Jaron Lubin, Principal of Safdie Architects, as he presents the amazing engineering feat that is Marina Bay Sands Integrated Resort, filmed last November 2012 in Bangalore, India at The INTERNATIONAL GREEN CONFERENCE.

Marina Bay Sands is a world-class luxury casino and hotel in Singapore capped by the 340m-long greenroofed SkyPark with a capacity of 3,900 people and a 150m infinity edge swimming pool. Set on top of the world's largest public cantilevered platform, it overhangs the north tower by 67m.

Wednesday March 13:

**Greenroofs.com [Closing Address](#) from Linda Velazquez with live Q & A**

We appreciate our attendees and the support of our speakers who give of their time so freely and generously! And, we also couldn't do it without the forward-thinking vision and support of our advertisers!

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See the [Agenda](#), [Agenda-at-a-Glance](#), and [Speakers](#) pages for the complete list of dates and times.

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~ Linda Velazquez