

## Hot Science – Cool Talks: If it's unsustainable, why does it feel so good?

Friday, August 28, 2015

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**Rebecca McInroy**, KUT Radio

What is it about human behavior that causes us to ignore the realities of our changing environment and other aspects of sustainability that affect our lives? How does the brain work when it comes to understanding what is happening in the world around us? These and other questions will be explored by the [Two Guys on Your Head](#).

Music Building/Recital Hall (**MRH**), Bates Recital Hall

Community Science Fair @ 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.; Talk @ 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. ([more info](#))

*This event is free and open to the public, but [please RSVP at this link](#) if you plan to attend.*

### Wednesday, August 26, 2015

#### UT Microfarm Weekly Workdays

The UT Microfarm is UT's first student-run organic and sustainable farming operation, and we need lots of regular volunteers! Workdays occur on Wednesdays and Sundays. Volunteers will be provided with water and light snacks as well as any shared harvests during the workdays. Volunteer activities consist of weeding, planting, transplanting, beautification, and a variety of other general farm tasks. Internships available for interested volunteers!

UT Microfarm, [2204 Leona Street](#), Wednesdays 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Sundays 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ([more info](#))

#### STEMpreneurship All-Stars

**Natally Mendez**, Environmental Science Institute ;*Ciencias!* Program Coordinator

**Antonio Delgado**, Science in a Suitcase

**Sagi Zisman**, STEMEdLabs

Join us as this off-campus event by ED Tech Austin to hear from some of the coolest entrepreneurs in Austin who are moving the needle in their respective STEM areas within local schools.

Capital Factory, [701 Brazos Street 16<sup>th</sup> Floor](#) @ 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

### Thursday, August 27, 2015

#### Austin's Big Social Bike Ride

Take to the streets on two wheels with hundreds of Austinites as we ride around town for a couple hours!

Gregory Gym Plaza (GRE) @ 7:30 – 11:00 p.m. ([more info](#))

### Friday, August 28, 2015

#### Texas CityLab Breakfast Kickoff

Texas CityLab will hold a breakfast kickoff to celebrate the program's second year and partnership with the City of Leander, Texas. Faculty, staff, city leadership, and community members will

discuss opportunities and challenges in Leander's built environment and how student work can provide research-based sustainability solutions that improve quality of life.

Goldsmith Hall (**GOL**), Room 2,110 @ 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. ([more info](#))

Food and drinks provided, but please RSVP via email to [kaethe.selkirk@gmail.com](mailto:kaethe.selkirk@gmail.com)

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## Ongoing and Special Notes

### Graduate Seminar on Science Communication

**Jay Banner**, Jackson School of Geosciences

**Bob Duke**, College of Music, Center for Music Learning

Are you a graduate student in the sciences or engineering interested in effective communication and teaching of your research project and field of study? Register for this one-credit course (GEO191 - Unique [27155](#)) in Fall 2015 to develop science communication skills and an understanding of effective communication for STEM graduate students.

Questions? Please contact Jay Banner @ [banner@jsq.utexas.edu](mailto:banner@jsq.utexas.edu)