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Harmony Foundation Presents Paul Hawken in Victoria as a Prelude to the Gaining Ground Summit



The Event

On Sunday June 3rd leading environmentalist and author Paul Hawken spoke to a packed and enthusiastic audience at the Royal Theatre in Victoria. Hawken's visit was to promote his new book, *Blessed Unrest* and to participate in the June 4-6 Gaining Ground Summit for sustainable Urban Development.

Blessed Unrest

With a decidedly optimistic tone Paul's most recent book *Blessed Unrest* traces the formation of the worldwide movement for social and environmental change. Our strength, Hawken believes, lies in the many thousands and perhaps millions of nonprofits and community organizations dedicated to environmental protection and social justice. Collectively these groups have formed a worldwide movement towards social change and human betterment.

In Paul's words these groups, from billion-dollar nonprofits to single-person "dot. causes" comprise the largest movement on earth, a movement that has no name, no leader, or central location and has foolishly been ignored by politicians and the media. Rather than an ideological or centralized movement, this movement is an expression of nature itself, building from the bottom up in every town, city and culture, as an extraordinary creative expression of peoples' needs and aspirations. Hopefully, it will become an unstoppable movement to create a relationship with other species, other people and future generations based on respect, humility and responsibility.



Michael Bloomfield, Executive Director of Harmony Foundation presenting Paul Hawken with a gift of local art

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