

STOP TALKING, START PLANTING

UPCOMING EVENTS



DURBAN HOSTS FAMOUS 13-YEAR-OLD CLIMATE JUSTICE AMBASSADOR

Felix Finkbeiner was 9 years old when he came up with the idea of planting a million trees in each country on earth in order to capture dangerous greenhouse gases. His dream has become a global movement, with children all over the world following the Plant-for-the-Planet initiative, planting trees and "fighting for climate justice". Felix and his family recently visited Durban to set up Plant-for-the-Planet Academies. They met with enthusiastic children at the Phoenix Education Centre and the Natural Science Museum. On Sunday 24 July, a Plant-for-the-Planet Academy was hosted by Dallas Oberhozer at the Indigo Skate Park in the Valley of 1 000 Hills, where roughly 100 children from the Isithumba village planted fruit trees to provide fruit for skaters in the skate park.

www.plant-for-the-planet.org

<http://www.indig skatecamp.co.za>

There's a lot going on in Durban leading up to and including COP17/CMP7. Whilst much of this is still in the planning stages, we'll share it with you anyway. If there's something you are doing that is a green event or that in some way promotes positive awareness of the environment, please let us know. Contact cop17cmp7@durban.gov.za

August

29 Aug: Environmental Sustainability Project: KwaZulu-Nata Provincial Presentations. 16h00-19h00. Botanic Gardens Hall. desiree.kosciulek@wits.ac.za or call (011) 339 2021 ext 122

September

1-7 Sept: National Arbor Week - Reminds us of the importance of trees and inspires everyone to plant indigenous trees.

2-4 Sept: Sustainable Living Exhibition, hosted by Imagine Durban at the Exhibition Centre

16 Sept: International Day for the preservation of the Ozone Layer.

24 Sept: Heritage Day - Celebrates the importance of South Africa's natural and cultural heritage
Moving Planet - A worldwide rally to demand solutions to the climate crisis.
<http://www.moving-planet.org>

27 Sept: World Tourism Day - Fosters awareness among the international community of the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value.

October

9 Oct: B.Epic In the Gardens concert at the Botanic Gardens

3rd W: National Marine Week celebrates the importance of the oceans to life on earth

November

Youth video competition initiated by the Green Hub

13 Nov: Goldfish concert at the Botanic Gardens

27 Nov: Art exhibition at the Orchid House, Botanic Gardens

28 Nov: COP17/CMP7 conference begins at the ICC, Durban Green market at the Green Hub

There will be a variety of exciting events along the beachfront and at the Umgeni River estuary during the COP17/CMP7 conference. These will range from beach walks and mountain bike rides to canoe trails, a river raft race, Green Home Expo, outdoor world cinema, beach games, craft markets and a whole lot more.

December

9 Dec: Last day of COP17/CMP7

17 Dec: H2O party on New Beach Suncoast Multi Series Sports

<http://www.cop17durban.com>

Business links to COP17/CMP7

National Business Initiative (NBI) COP17 Page

<http://www.nbi.org.za/Cop17>

Durban Chamber of Commerce, Environmental Committee

<http://www.durbanchamber.co.za>