

Earth Days at Salem State College - Past Friend of the Earth Award Recipients:

2009

- Wenham Lake Watershed Association (Jan Schlichtmann, Lori Ehrlich, Pam Kampersal, Renee Mary, and Mary Rodrick)
- Kerry Mackin, Executive Director and co-founder, Ipswich River Watershed Association
- Barbara Warren, Executive Director, Salem Sound Coastwatch

2008

- Union of Concerned Scientists, Cambridge, MA
- Kim Driscoll, Mayor, City of Salem

2007

- no award or evening program this year

2006

- Jose Julio Perez [Afro-Colombian coal mining activist protesting a huge mine in Colombia that ships coal to the Salem Harbor power plant and has violently displaced local residents as the mine has expanded]
- Dr. Danny Faber, Northeastern University [for his exceptional research on environmental justice issues in Massachusetts; co-author of report "Unequal Exposure to Ecological Hazards 2005: Environmental Injustices in the Commonwealth of Mass."; as well as earlier reports in 2001; and editor of Guilford Press book in 1998, "The Struggle for Ecological Democracy: Environmental Justice Movements in the United States"]

2005

- Congressman John Tierney, for his continual commitment in the House of Representatives to support legislation that benefits the environment
- Veronica Eady [former Director of the Environmental Justice and Brownfields Programs for the Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs; former Executive Director of Alternatives for Community and Environment (ACE) of West Roxbury, Mass]

2004

- Dr. Jill Stein [co-author of "In Harm's Way: Toxic Threats to Child Development" (2000), and co-founder in 2003 of the non-profit organization, the Massachusetts

Coalition for Healthy Communities; she was also the Green-Rainbow party candidate for governor of Mass. in 2002]

- Dr. Paul Epstein, Associate Director, Center for Health and the Global Environment of Harvard Medical School [coordinated the report "Climate Change Futures: Health, Ecological and Economic Dimensions", an international project with Switzerland for the United Nations Development Programme]

2003

- Ross Gelbspan [Pulitzer prize-winning journalist for the Boston Globe and author, "The Heat is On: The Climate Crisis, The Cover-up, The Prescription" (1998)]
- Cindy Luppi, Executive Director, Clean Water Action [an activist non-profit organization working to protect drinking water and water resources in Massachusetts and New England]

2002

- Jan Schlichtmann [litigator for the famous TCE groundwater contamination case of Woburn, MA, which was the basis for the 1996 non-fiction novel "A Civil Action" by Jonathan Harr, which in 1998 was produced as a movie (of the same name) and starring John Travolta as Jan Schlichtmann]
- Governor Jane Swift, for her efforts to strengthen environmental regulations, such as for emissions from power plants.

2001

- Diane Dumanoski [co-author, "Our Stolen Future: Are We Threatening Our Fertility, Intelligence, and Survival?--A Scientific Detective Story", published in 1997]

Please note that information on recipients reflect accomplishments up to the date of award and do not necessarily reflect activities or accomplishments since that time.