

# **Neighbors working together** for a strong and healthy community

# Black Lives Matter.

We stand with local protesters and protesters around the world. We cannot talk about sustainability, pollution, food waste, clean water, the sharing economy, or any of the other issues we care about without confronting the disproportionate impact these injustices have on black, brown, and indigenous communities. Reforming police conduct is just a start. True sustainability, health and justice requires a commitment to ending the systemic racism, discrimination and brutality to which black Americans and other people of color in this country continue to be subject. Sign petitions, hold representatives accountable, march when you can.

Please help <u>us</u> do more by sharing what you think we should be doing and how you can help. For a start, we are throwing our weight behind #BlackLivesMatter protests in Ballard, offering a list of links and resources, and have scheduled a showing and discussion of Activized, a short film about stepping up against racial injustices. Finally, we'd like to create a regular newsletter feature highlighting black, brown and indigenous community leaders. Let us know if there is someone we should be aware of. **Think globally, act locally.** 

#### #BlackLivesMatter protests on Fridays at 5 pm in Ballard



Following on last Friday's successful protest in Ballard, we are planning to show up in support every Friday as long as downtown protests continue and #BlackLivesMatter demands are on the table.

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We've compiled a list of resources to act, be informed and dive deeper into #BlackLivesMatter and systemic racism. We will continue to update this list as we learn more.

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#### Meaningful Movies address Social Justice throughout June



We will screen and discuss **Activized: It's the American Thing to Do** on June 22. Other movies offered through the <u>Meaningful Movies Network</u> include: **The Fight To Vote**, **Democracy Rebellion** and **Slay the Dragon**. Click below to learn how you can view and discuss all of these films.

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#### Sustainable Ballard Virtual Knitters - June 16



Build a cozy space, gather your own beverage and treats, and join us for some virtual knitting. Come enjoy the opportunity to create and keep others warm. Join our Zoom meeting on **Tuesday**, **June 16 from 7 to 9 p.m.** 

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### **Edible Garden Tour Rescheduled - July 11**



New Date, Same Great Event. We've moved the Edible Garden Tour date to Saturday, July 11, in anticipation that gatherings will be permitted by then. This 11th Edible Garden Tour we'll be hosted with social distancing!

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## **Ballard Sprouts 2020 - Up and Growing!**



Sustainable Ballard's Sprouts Project is complete for 2020! On May 29, we distributed 1,200 tomato plants to gardeners in Seattle who grow food for food bank programs. We had a wonderful team of volunteers who worked safely throughout this COVID-19 crisis. A big thanks to all of them.

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#### **Little Free Libraries During the Coronavirus Pandemic**



The Centers for Disease Control shared that routine cleaning and disinfection of hard, nonporous surfaces that are frequently touched is key. At your Little Free Library, these would include the handle and other surfaces touched by library visitors.

# **Meet Alyssa!**



Say hello to another Sustainable Ballard member and volunteer. This is Alyssa, edible gardening pro and mom.

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#### Announcing the Sustainable Ballard "UnFestival" - June-Nov

Given the uncertainty of large group gatherings in Seattle for the foreseeable future, we are creating a virtual festival to replace our annual live festival in 2020.



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#### **Community Board**

2020 Bike Everywhere Challenge

Visit State Parks on Free Days

Seeds Available

Ballard Alliance Launches "Farm it Forward" Program

Participate in Sound Transit Light Rail Expansion Planning

"Stay Home" = Reading! From Bike Works

More Stay-at-Home Reading Ideas from Puget Soundkeeper



#### **Get Involved**

There are so many ways to support Sustainable Ballard - we've got options for everyone.

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Volunteer with one of our Working Groups

Get involved with one of our Projects

Participate in our events

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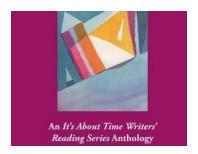
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# **Looking for TV Distractions?**

Sustainable Ballard Board President Andrea has compiled a list of her favorite titles from Netflix, YouTube, Amazon Prime and more.

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