

Modoc Forum presents

Common Ground Symposium

June 5 - 7, 2008

"Nestled in Surprise Valley in the northeastern corner of California is a powerful organization filled with a will that explores the nexus between the arts and the environment."

-- Sierra Business Council

Gary Snyder, the keynote speaker at the Common Ground Symposium writes, "Find your place on the planet. Dig in, and take responsibility from there."

Modoc Forum, a hub of literary arts and environmental education in Modoc County, serves to perpetuate an understanding and appreciation of the natural and agricultural landscape of Modoc County, the Great Basin and the rural west through literature, the arts, community education and academic programs.

In the true spirit of **Gary Snyder**, Modoc Forum's presentation of the Common Ground Symposium draws a clear line between the stewardship of the earth and the expression of this beauty.

Geologists **Eldridge Moores** and **Graham Fogg** join writers **Malcolm Margolin**, **Darryl Babe Wilson** and **Gary Snyder** at the 2008 Symposium.



Program—

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

"Geology by Day, Story Telling by Night"

- Morning Session: Day-long geology field trip hosted by **Eldridge Moores**, conducted by Surprise Valley BLM Field Office Staff, lunch provided
- Evening Session: Fireside story-telling and BBQ with **Malcolm Margolin & Darryl Babe Wilson**

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

"Honoring the Land and the People On It"

- Morning Session: Surprise Valley Ranch Tour, lunch provided
- Afternoon Session: "Ranching and Farming - Keeping It Real" Retaining an agricultural landscape as a viable part of the region's economy and historic heritage. Presented by Sierra Business Council
- Evening Session: Dinner with **Gary Snyder**, Symposium Keynote Speaker

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

"How Green Is My Valley?"

- Morning Session: "Western Water Crisis," "Alternative Energy"
- Afternoon Session: "A Regional Look at Local Problems" with Symposium Panelists - **Gary Snyder, Eldridge Moores, Graham Fogg, Malcolm Margolin** and **Darryl Babe Wilson**
- Evening: Old Fashioned Barn Dance

For a detailed schedule and staff roster please visit www.modocforum.org

Registration Application Form—

Deadline - May 1, 2008

Three Day all inclusive fee – \$429

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*As they discuss the
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Alternative Energy
Rural Sustainability
Ecology of Place*

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