

***"The planet's best green journalist" Bill McKibben heads to the Lowcountry for a special lecture event.***



Recently there has been a growing recognition that a string of weather events, from violent storms to record-breaking droughts, have had a profound impact on the lives of people in this country and around the world. Environmental journalist Bill McKibben has been for years among the most effective voices raising the alarm about the threats of climate change.

McKibben delivers his message with a passion driven by scientific evidence. His ability to mobilize the grass roots makes him a political force without being a politician.

McKibben is the author of a dozen books about the environment, beginning with *The End of Nature* in 1989, which is regarded as the first book for a general audience on climate change. He is a founder of the grassroots climate campaign 350.org, which has coordinated 15,000 rallies in 189 countries since 2009. *Time Magazine* called him 'the planet's best green journalist' and the *Boston Globe* said in 2010 that he was 'probably the country's most important environmentalist.' Schumann Distinguished Scholar at Middlebury College, he holds honorary degrees from a dozen colleges, including the Universities of Massachusetts and Maine, the State University of New York, and Whittier and Colgate Colleges. In 2011 he was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

McKibben is a frequent contributor to various magazines including *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *Harper's*, *Orion Magazine*, *Mother Jones*, *The New York Review of Books*, *Granta*, *Rolling Stone*, and *Outside*. He is also a board member and contributor to *Grist Magazine*.

Bill has been awarded Guggenheim and Lyndhurst Fellowships, and won the Lannan Prize for

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On October 18, Lowcountry residents will have the opportunity to see Bill McKibben in person when he gives a FREE lecture at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Bluffton. (351 Buckwalter Pwky). Doors open at 5 pm and the lecture starts at 6 pm. A limited number of audience members may also purchase \$30 tickets for a Lowcountry supper to follow. To RSVP for the lecture or the dinner, please call 843-208-8247.