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Green Is the New Hot

By Keith Bowers Wednesday, Jun 15 2011

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H.L. Mencken is said to have defined fundamentalism as “a terrible, pervasive fear that someone, somewhere, is having fun.” With that in mind, Annie Sprinkle and her wife, Elizabeth Stephens, are giving fundamentalists and conservatives another reason to abhor the environmental movement (or, we hope, lighten up and get on board). They’ve started something they call SexEcology. It involves using sex and sexuality to raise awareness about environmental and sustainability issues. More than “doing it green,” they say, it’s a way to make the movement itself more sexy and fun. If people regarded the planet as a lush setting for sensual pleasure — a big spherical lover — rather than a storehouse of things to be consumed, they’d treat it with more care. At this weekend’s **EcoSexual Symposium II**, put on by Femina Potens gallery, learn how to do that from several angles. (Sorry. Couldn’t resist that one.) Author and ecosexual theorist Serena Anderlini’s keynote answers the question “What Is Ecosexual Love?” Good Vibes staff sexologist Carol Queen talks about the “ecorotic” advancements in the sex-toy trade. Her partner, Robert Lawrence, speaks on ecological fetishes. Longtime porn actress and activist Sharon Mitchell is part of group presentation on the sensual pleasures of gardening. Porn director and artist Madison Young of Femina Potens covers the greening of the sex industry. An “ecosex-i-love-a-licious” vegan lunch is provided. Panel discussions occur via [Skype](#), and participants have their say in open forums. The



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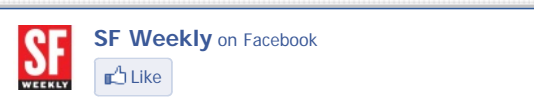
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