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LEADING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR TO SPEAK AT UM

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David Orr, a leading authority on sustainability, will deliver a free public lecture, "Designing a World that Works," at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, in the North Underground Lecture Hall at The University of Montana. A reception will follow in the Ephron Student Lounge of the Davidson Honors College.

Orr is best known for his work on environmental literacy in higher education. Most recently, his focus has been on ecological design, which he describes as "a large concept that joins science and the practical arts with ethics, politics and economics." Applying the principles of that concept, Orr spearheaded the effort to design and build a \$7.4 million Environmental Studies Center at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio, where he currently is professor and chair of the Environmental Studies Program.

The lecture is a part of the Sustainable Communities Lecture Series sponsored by the UM Environmental Studies Program, the National Center for Appropriate Technology and the UM Department of Sociology.

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