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Love the Everglades Movement to Host Action-Oriented Conference with Environmental Groups

(Miami): Love the Everglades Movement (LTEM), the Florida-based non-profit group, is organizing and hosting a large-scale, 2-day, info-sharing Summer Symposium (SS14) at the Miccosukee Resort & Convention Center on Saturday, July 26th, 2014, and at Florida International University's Modesto A. Maidique Campus on Sunday, July 27th, 2014, with environmental groups, activists, artists and others.

The 2-day Symposium will bring together brain-power from a diverse range of Florida's not-for-profit environmental and activist groups, as well as key community and business leaders, to continue to solidify a network between communities in the East, North, West, South and Central regions of the Florida Everglades. Participants include members of River Justice League, EcoArt South Florida, One Florida Foundation, Everglades Earth First!, Stonecrab Alliance, Conservancy of Southwest Florida, Clean Water Initiative of Florida, Florida Coastal & Ocean Coalition, Subtropics.org, Kijik Multimedia, and the Otter Clan of the Miccosukee Tribe, among other organizations.

Day 1 of the SS14 will consist of presentations and discussions from leaders of all facets of the environmental movement in South Florida, with a buffet lunch to be served. Cinema projects will be screened during the day. In addition, fact-finding air-boat excursions to Water Conservation Area 3A are planned for this day. Topics to be addressed include Anti-Fracking and Oil Operations in Collier County; a case study of tactics employed in Martin County; the L-28 Interceptor Canal's polluted runoff impacting Miccosukee lands; using Sound Art to connect with the Environment; History of Everglades National Park; the Entertainment Industry and Social Responsibility.

Day 2 of the SS14, to be held at FIU's Maidique Campus, will consist of an in-depth look at activist planning, activist strategies and activist tactics with environmental organizations with a common mission: to restore and preserve the Everglades.

"The LTEM Summer Symposium 2014 program is inspired by the concept of the Circle of Life -- a philosophy that is found in a variety of indigenous societies from around the world," said Houston R. Cypress of LTEM's Coordination Circle. "We are concerned with the integrity and vitality of the Circle, and the fundamental element of Water which unites us all. We are using this symbol to guide our work in a holistic manner."

"There is only ONE Everglades in the world and it is Dying" (LTEM). Although efforts by federal, state, and local governments are underway to mitigate the legacy of destruction brought on by past follies, there is much more that needs to be done and quickly before it is too late. LOVE THE EVERGLADES MOVEMENT is an organization that unites the talents, imaginations, and energies of the diversity that makes up South Florida and beyond. LTEM recently celebrated it's 1-year anniversary as a South Florida-based, full-spectrum environmental group.

For Registration, or the latest information and the full agenda of this FREE EVENT, go to:
<http://www.LoveTheEverglades.org/summer-symposium-2014.html>

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