



COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES

**Soil, Water and
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Department of Soil, Water and Environmental Science

Engaging Environmental Issues through Art and Design

The natural sciences provide us with information about our world, but art and design play a critical role in how we feel about what we know, and in turn how we perceive and interact with our surroundings. For this reason, the complex environmental challenges we face require imaginative and multidisciplinary responses. To help prepare art and design students for the future, I provide them with opportunities to engage with scientists, conservationists, and local communities working on environmental issues. This firsthand experience allows them to see the importance of their creative practices in changing the perceptions of artists, designers and audiences alike.

This talk will be an overview of the environmental projects my students and I have done in the past decade with the Center for the Study of Oceans and Deserts, The Rillito River Project, and UA forest mortality scientists.

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Professor

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Monday, September 12, 2016 -- 3:00pm

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Refreshments at 2:45



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