

OccupyForum presents...

Monday, June 9th, from 6 – 9 pm at Global Exchange
2017 Mission Street near the 16th and Mission Street BART

Information, discussion & community! Monday Night Forum!!

*Occupy Forum is an opportunity for open and respectful dialogue
on all sides of these critically important issues!*

Ryan Rising & Ivy Anderson **Story Telling and Discussion:** **Land Access, Food Autonomy,** **Permaculture and Direct Action**

*Come hear stories of direct actions and community organizing over
the last few years that have focused on reclaiming access to land to
create permaculture and common spaces in the Bay Area.*

Also, hear a **report back** from the **Zapatista Escuelita: The Little School of Freedom according to the Zapatistas** - the indigenous communities in resistance in Chiapas, Mexico, who reclaimed much of their land base in 1994 and have been self-organizing and living autonomously from the Mexican government ever since, and quite successfully.

Both here in the Bay, and in the jungles of Southern Mexico, it is access to land and what people bring forth from it through the work of their hands that empowers people to live free from systems of domination and exploitation.

“Land is the basis of all independence. Land is the basis of freedom, justice, and equality.” -Malcolm X

Our dialogue will explore how people are organizing for access to land around the world, and focusing on the Bay Area and the lessons the Zapatistas and others have to share that inform our work here. We will talk about land reclamation, creating permaculture through direct action, & local food autonomy.

Ryan Rising is a permaculture designer, community organizer, and direct action advocate living in the San Francisco Bay Area. Ryan recently returned from the first grade of the Zapatista Little School in Chiapas, Mexico.

Ivy Anderson runs the Mendell Roots Community garden on Third and Palou and teaches gardening and healthy eating to Bayview youth. Ivy is committed to creating access to free organic food and open green space in the Bayview.

Q&A and Announcements will follow. Donations to OccupyForum to cover our costs are encouraged; no one turned away!