

# February 2019



Dear Bradley,

Well, it's a new year, and it promises to be one full of consequence for all of us, from the ill effects of climate change developing faster than anticipated to a real constitutional challenge - or challenges - to the integrity of our republic. Whew! Thank goodness for progressively minded people working together to make the world a better place! And, as it happens, there are a lot of positive, forward-looking things happening on and around our campus. Read [more](#).

## Social Justice and Community Organizing News and Appeal



To our brothers and sisters in the Prescott College alumni community,

We are in an historic time! There is so much potential for growth towards a society that values community, love, and solidarity. On March 29-30, at Prescott College's K-20 Changemaker Campus in Tucson, Arizona, youth from across the country will gather to share their vision at the PRAXIS Youth Organizing Conference.

This year's PRAXIS conference will show how young people can create a more just world through planning and action. Black Lives Matter co-founder Patrisse Cullors will give a keynote address. The event will be rich with workshops and youth-led presentations.

The conference will address issues around gender, race, class, and the environment. This is a chance for youth to work together in addressing the issues facing them, their communities, and the world today and in the future.

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## About Ecos

Ecos Newsletter was named in recognition of both new beginnings and past memories of Our "Home" in Prescott. [Read more](#).

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The 2019 Social Justice and Community Organizing (SJCO) Master's Cohort is raising funds to support PRAXIS. Our goal of \$7,000 will provide food, t-shirts, supplies, and travel scholarships for out-of-state youth who would otherwise miss this opportunity.

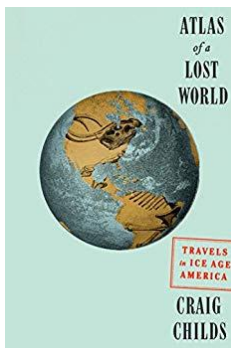
We are looking for donations to support the event's costs, but more importantly, we want to support the work of the generation that will take on the mantle of leadership in the future.

Thank you in advance for any donations you can make to these activist youth. We really appreciate your help in making this opportunity a reality!

Please click [here](#) to donate or go to [https://online.prescott.edu/give/tucson\\_k20](https://online.prescott.edu/give/tucson_k20).

## Class Notes

### Craig Childs '99



Craig recently published his new book, *Atlas of a Lost World: Travels in Ice Age America* (available on Amazon). You can read Craig's recent *National Geographic* interview, "When, How Did the First Americans Arrive? It's Complicated," [here](#).

### Liz Cornish '04

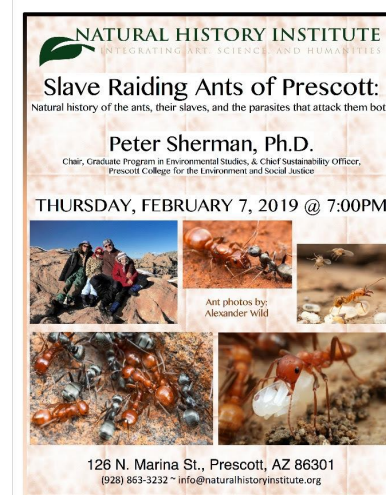
Liz Cornish was recently named a True American Hero by *Streetsblog* for her contributions to the movement for more walkable, more sustainable, more livable cities. She was recognized alongside Lisa Bender, City Council President of Minneapolis, Roger Millar, Washington State Secretary of Transportation, and Amy Cohen and Amy Tam-Liao of New York City. Liz serves as the executive director of Bikemore, Baltimore's livable streets advocacy organization. She credits her time at Prescott College for instilling in her a passion for social and environmental justice that she calls on daily to ensure all Baltimore residents have access to affordable, safe, and sustainable transportation choices. You can read about her award here: <https://usa.streetsblog.org/2018/12/28/streetsies-2018-the-true-american-heroes-of-the-year/> and learn more about her work at Bikemore at [bikemore.net](http://bikemore.net).

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Prescott College appreciates all who give to support our future generations of alumni. You can find the December 2018 donor list [here](#).

## Natural History Institute Presentation



## Christina Eisenberg '06

Prescott College Board of Trustees member and alumna Christina Eisenberg has been named an Oregon State University (OSU) "Distinguished Alumna." Christina received her Ph.D. from OSU, which is the top-ranked research university in North America in forestry and natural resources science. Over the last 100 years, this award has been given overwhelmingly to white males. As a Latina and a Native American woman, Christina feels particularly honored by this award. Neither of her parents, now both deceased, had more than a middle school education. Christina will skip the May Board meeting to accept the award in person at a reception in her honor. Christina explains, "In my acceptance speech, I will be crediting Prescott College with giving me the chutzpah and values to face some of the challenges (racism, ageism, sexism) I faced at OSU. In accepting this award, I will be accepting it on behalf of the many, many women, particularly members of underserved minority groups, who face these challenges in every field." Congratulations, Christina!

## Sharon Skinner '06



Sharon Skinner was selected to serve as Arizona State Library Writer-in-Residence at Tempe Library, Feb.-April, 2019. The Writers-in-Residence program promotes writing in communities by connecting local, professional

authors to serve as Writers-in-Residence at local libraries. Writers-in-Residence spend time at the library during their residency composing new works and providing education for community members. Writers can get expert advice on writing by registering for one-on-one consultations or attending a writing workshop to learn new skills in the craft of writing and publishing. All experience levels are welcome.

Sharon Skinner mainly writes fantasy, science fiction and paranormal for audiences of all ages. Skinner is an active member of SCBWI (Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators) and serves as the Regional Advisor for SCBWI AZ. Sharon earned her master's degree in Creative Writing at Prescott College. Learn more at <http://www.sharonskinner.com/>.

## Noteworthy Student News

## Looking for a Job at Prescott College?

Check out <https://www.prescott.edu/jobs/>.

## Touchstone Tours

April 29-May 5, 2019

Exploring the wild islands and rich desert of the Gulf of California, México.



Interested in returning to Kino Bay for a week this spring and learning more about the Gulf of California? [Check out this exciting trip led by Dr. Tom Fleischner!](#) In partnership with the Prescott College Kino Bay Center, the Natural History Institute is hosting this trip for participants to learn firsthand about the incredible landscapes, people, and species of the Sonoran Desert and Central Gulf. Shuttle pick-ups are available in Prescott, Phoenix, Tucson, and Hermosillo.

## 2018 Winter Graduation

Congratulations graduates! Please click [here](#) for the ceremony video.

## In Memoriam

The work and research of **Fernando Arturo Rodriguez**, artist and student of Mesoamerican Cosmology, is currently being exhibited at the El Paso Museum of Archaeology. The exhibit will remain on display through April 20. Rodriguez is a Limited-Residency Undergraduate student of Interdisciplinary Studies at Prescott College. Read more [here](#).

## Seed Dreams

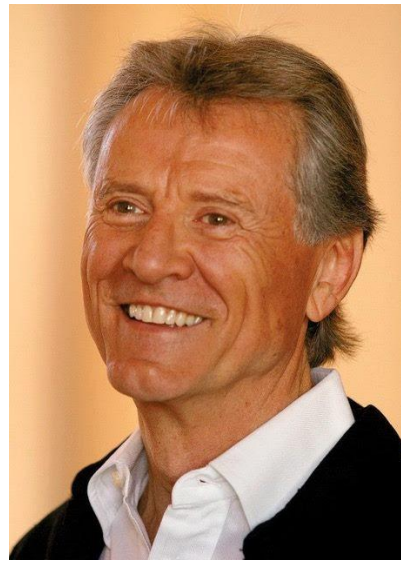
Submitted by Alumna Jessie Emerson '04



The Embudo Valley Seed Library in Dixon, N.M., is the first seed library in Northern New Mexico. The library's opening ceremony was held on Earth Day, April 22, 2018. The way the seed library works is simple. You go to the library, see what seeds are available, check out the seeds you want, and commit to bringing back seeds at the end of the season. You are committing to actually growing the plants and bringing the seeds back so other people in your community can take out seeds and grow them.

My mentor for traditional New Mexican agriculture and acequia culture, the late Juan Estevan Arellano, said the best way to save the seed is to grow it, and that is what we are doing at the library. We accept no hybrids, no seeds that have been doctored or have had chemicals around them, and no GMO seeds. By growing out the seeds, you are perpetuating not only the plant but the culture, the people, and the land.

Read [more](#).



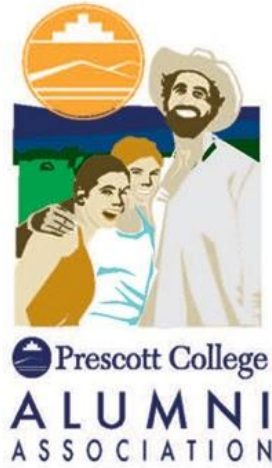
Sadly, on January 12, 2019, at the age of 81, Prescott College had to say goodbye to Layne Allen Longfellow. Layne served at Prescott College during the 70's as the Academic Vice President, where he helped design a curriculum that integrated wilderness experience and academic studies. Layne was also an emeritus member of the Prescott College Alumni Association. He will be greatly missed. Read [more](#).

## New Online Store!



Many of you have expressed interest in shopping for Prescott College swag online. Well, your ship has come in! Go to

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