**Updates**

- **As our latest installment of our summer reading list, check out: “As the World Burns”, by Lee Van Der Voo!**
- On August 2nd, we delightedly hosted AY Young and met with George Orbellian, Ri Crawford, Randy Rosenberg, Joel Makower, Khafre Jay, Debbie Raphael, Dr. Bill Collins and Johnny Temple Lee, Ph.D to spark musical collaboration and highlight AY’s message that we are all outlets for change!
- We are looking forward to an active schedule of events! Check out events page for more information.

**Rain is a Problem**

From Afghanistan to Utah and Europe to China, major flash flooding has shown a new manifestation of the year’s climate change effects, following forest fires, as the climate disaster of the summer, killing hundreds. New Orleans is on pace for it’s rainiest summer ever, and New York, Detroit and Chicago also faced major flooding. This all begs one question: is this normal?

Farmers bear a substantial burden as victims as climate change worsens, with warming harming crop yields, requiring new innovations to keep plant growth secure. Daan Roosegaarde, in an attempt to showcase a future of agriculture, has created a demonstration in a leeks field, using LEDs to stimulate plant growth, while decreasing light pollution and the need for pesticides by 50%.

**Lighting Leeks**

Meteorologist Matthew Cappucci takes a look at classic paintings, from Van Gogh to Vernet, at the National Gallery of Art to identify possible trends of climate change as portrayed by the artists in their works, serving as time capsules to a bygone climate.

**In the News**

**Spotlight on Victoria Vesna**

Our spotlight this month is Victoria Vesna, Ph.D, an artist and UCLA professor whose work combines research, science, art and technology to create immersive and provocative experiences for audiences and students alike. Many of her projects are inspired by pollution and climate change and emphasize the global interconnectedness of humans with their environment.

**Looking Ahead**

**100 Days of Possibility**

There’s no benefit in waiting. For the next 100 days, the Global FootPrint Network will showcase how existing technology can put an end to “business as usual” practices we can no longer afford.

**Re-Volv Solar**

Re-Volv has released a four-part educational series for elementary school students to learn about climate change and renewable energy sources. These are free, incorporating climate change themes into required standards for second to fifth graders.

**Sustainability for Young Learners**

100 Days of Possibility

On September 15th, learn about China’s positions and policies on climate change from pre-eminent experts Barbara Finamore and Dr. N. Bruce Pickering, in the lead up to COP26. This event will have limited capacity. ClimateMusic subscribers will get early access to ticketing before the general public!

Stay tuned for details on an exciting collaboration with Ruth’s Table, for a virtual exhibit starting on August 19th.

Stay tuned for September’s newsletter for information about our first post-pandemic event on November 12th!