Film Screening and Panel Discussion

**Biophilic Design: The Architecture of Life**

Biophilic Design is an innovative way of designing the places where we live, work, and learn. We need nature in a deep and fundamental fashion, but we have often designed our cities and suburbs in ways that both degrade the environment and alienate us from nature. The recent trend in green architecture has decreased the environmental impact of the built environment, but it has accomplished little in the way of reconnecting us to the natural world, the missing piece in the puzzle of sustainable development.

**Film Discussion with:**

Executive Producer Stephen Kellert, David Kline, and David Orr

**Lean Lecture Room, Wishart Hall, College of Wooster**

WITH VIDEOLINK TO Kottman Hall 103, OSU Columbus campus

**Wednesday, January 16**

Film at 7:00 (60 min.), discussion to follow

Event is free and open to the public

Sponsored by: The Agroecosystems Management Program, OSU School of Environment and Natural Resources, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center (OARDC), OSU Office of Student Life, OSU Humanities Institute, OSU Office of Energy and Environment, OSU Department of Design: Interiors, Department of English, OSU Office of Physical Planning and Real Estate, College of Wooster Environmental Studies Program. Contact kolbe.12@osu.edu with questions.

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**David Kline** is an Amish farmer, naturalist, and minister. Based on his 120-acre farm in Holmes County, Ohio, Kline is author of “Letters from Larksong: An Amish Naturalist Explores His Organic Farm” (2010); “Great Possessions: An Amish Farmer’s Journal” (2001); and “Scratching the Woodchuck: Nature on an Amish Farm” (1999). He also edits “Farming Magazine: People, Land and Community.”

**Dr. Stephen R. Kellert** is a Tweedy Ordway Professor Emeritus of Social Ecology and Senior Research Scholar at the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. His research and writings have centered around the concept of “biophilia,” the instinctual connection of humans with the natural world. Kellert’s work centers on this connection with special interest in sustainable designs and environmental conservation.

**Dr. David W. Orr** is the Paul Sears Distinguished Professor of Environmental Studies and Politics and Special Assistant to the President of Oberlin College. The Oberlin Project was formed out of Orr’s vision of full-spectrum sustainability: an all-encompassing joint venture by the town and College to create a thriving, sustainable and environmentally friendly community in Oberlin.