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Welcome back to another edition of the IHHE Nuntium. We hope you had a great summer and were able to enjoy the warm weather and sunshine while it lasted. As we head into a new season, and a new school year, we encourage you to stay updated with IHHE's latest news. Enjoy!

IHHE & EHSC AIR POLLUTION AND HEALTH RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

The Institute for Human Health and the Environment is partnering with the Environmental Health Sciences Center for the next big event: the Air Pollution and Health Symposium. Save the date in your calendar so you don't miss out. Registration begins 9/16/2024.

Date: Thursday, November 21st, 2024, 8:30am-6:00pm

Where: Memorial Art Gallery

**Keynote speakers: Marianthi-Anna Kioumourtoglou, PhD
and Matthew Campen, PhD**



SHOUTOUT



Marissa Sobolewski Terry,
PhD

This month's shoutout goes to IHHE affiliate Marissa Sobolewski Terry! She has been on the University of Rochester's radar recently for her research in environmental medicine and neuroscience. IHHE is so proud of Marissa's dedication and we are lucky to have her as apart of our community. The University of Rochester posted [this piece](#) on Marissa and her work.

Diversity and Inclusion Group (DIG)

Marissa brings a dynamic vision and unwavering commitment to her role as head of the **Diversity and Inclusion Group (DIG)**. Her proactive approach ensures diverse perspectives are welcomed and fostered. Under her guidance, the DIG group is rolling out impactful initiatives to enhance understanding and collaboration across all levels of our community.

DIG is happy to introduce the **Diversity and Inclusion Social Conversations - Uniting Society and Science (DISCUSS)** social series.

Starting **Thursday, September 19th at 10:30am**, DISCUSS will be providing snacks in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month in the EHSC Conference Room (4.8820). Make sure you come down to have a bite and don't forget to stay for our **EnLight Seminar Series**.

IHHE AFFILIATES

An article authored by **IHHE affiliate, Hae-Ryung Park, PhD**, was featured in the scholarly journal, *nature communications*. The paper by Hae-Ryung, along with other URM and Harvard colleagues, highlights the effects of environmental contaminants on the placenta during fetal development. [Read about it here.](#)

An article written by **IHHE affiliate, Jacques Robert, PhD**, was published in the scientific journal, *ScienceDirect*. This article focuses on *Xenopus* research in developmental and comparative immunology. [Read about it here.](#)

IHHE affiliate, Philip Spinelli, was recognized with the **2024 URM Toxicology Mentoring Award**. Students nominated him for his compassion to help out others, his impressive drive to succeed and his excellent mentorship.



Krystal Ni accepting the Excellence in Research Award during a conference in Thessaloniki, Greece



Becca Lauzon sharing information at an event with the Healthy Baby Network



IHHE members during a summer social

“PLASTIC PEOPLE”

Please join The Lake Ontario Microplastics Center (LOMP) for a public viewing of the documentary, “Plastic People”, at the Little Theater on 09/26/24, 7pm. There will be a limited number of tickets available for IHHE members on a first come, first served basis. To acquire a ticket, please plan to arrive early at the Little on 9/26 and speak to a LOMP person stationed in the atrium. Tickets will also be available for purchase with general admission starting at \$9. Another viewing will be held 9/28. Please plan on paying for your own ticket on 9/28..



WE ACT TCTAC WEBINAR: SEPTEMBER 18

Need funding for community projects in the Greater Rochester Region? WE ACT Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center (TCTAC) is teaming up with the Institute for Human Health and the Environment to host this webinar to share information on funding opportunities and how to apply for them. You can register with [this link](#) or reach out to Maddie Holodnik (Madeline_Holodnik@URMC.rochester.edu) for more information.

Need Funding for Community Projects in the Rochester Region?

There are millions of dollars in federal and state grants available to address local **environmental justice**, **climate**, and **health issues**. This webinar will share information about these funding opportunities and how to get help applying for them.

The IHHE and the WE ACT TCTAC can help!

Join us for a webinar:
September 18th at 12 PM
Register here:



The WE ACT Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center (TCTAC) helps underserved communities, nonprofits, municipalities, and educational institutions gain access to **grant** and **funding**

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