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AUTHOR'S EVENT:

Take advantage of this opportunity right here in our building. Shut down your computer and stop by to hear some creative readings, ask questions, buy a book + get it signed by the author, and enjoy refreshments - all within an hour or so.



Evelyn Bromet, author of *Toxic Turmoil: Psychological and Societal Consequences of Ecological Disasters*. Dr. Bromet's book presents an overview of research on the psychological and societal consequences of ecological disasters. It gives in-depth case studies on most of the major incidents that have occurred in the 1980s and 1990s, and summarizes the accumulated knowledge in this area and identifies areas of future research. It can serve as a resource for practitioners and policymakers dealing with current and future ecological calamities and may help them to define an adequate response to the complex public health challenges these incidents represent.

Jessica Gurevitch, author of *The Ecology of Plants*, which covers the field from individual plants to global issues and provide context from relevant disciplines. The first three sections consider how individual plants interact with the environment; treat plant populations, including their evolution; and explore interactions among populations of different species.

Lawrence Slobodkin, author of *A Citizens Guide to Ecology*. Review from *Scientific American*: Dr. Slobodkin, professor emeritus of ecology and evolution at Stony Brook, provides a calm voice amid the rancor often arising in discussions of ecology. "I have two goals," he writes. "One is to enhance appreciation of the pleasure and beauty to be found in nature. Another goal is to help individual citizens understand the real and unreal assertions about existing problems and impending disasters in nature." Dismissing ecological fanatics and faddists, he focuses on "real ecological problems that require solutions," in particular, global warming and endangered species. "If ecologists are very successful," he says, "they will help maintain the pleasant and livable properties of the world. If not, the world will change in unpleasant ways." (122)

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