



SONOMA COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL PRESENTS

The Contemporary Issues Series

a periodic exploration by leading experts of critical topics shaping contemporary life, culture and community



An evening with Dr. Vandana Shiva

author of *Soil Not Oil—Securing Our Food in Times of Climate Change*

Presented in partnership with **Occidental Arts and Ecology Center** and the **International Forum on Globalization (IFG)**



As natural disasters, climate change, GMOs, and an economic system dependent on oil devastate farmers in the developing world, Dr. Vandana Shiva's Seeds of Hope project provides an answer.

A physicist, ecologist, and activist, Dr. Shiva discusses how a global industrial food system that supplies the few with plenty at the expense of the many "is a recipe for eating oil," resulting in growing hunger, soaring commodity prices, food riots and an alarming pattern of 150,000 farmer suicides in India. The situation is critical and becoming more desperate each day.

Dr. Shiva's Seeds of Hope project in India is restoring life to the suicide belt in India and assisting communities affected by recent tsunamis, drought, and the effects of climate change. Her policy advocacy on the international scene has successfully defended the right to seed for farmers and the right to food and water for all.

Winner of the alternative Nobel Peace Prize in 1993 (the Right Livelihood Award) and named by *AsiaWeek* as one of the top five most important people in Asia in 2001, Vandana Shiva is a dynamic, provocative thinker and commentator on the environment, women's issues, and international affairs. She is author of *Biopiracy: The Plunder of Nature and Knowledge* and *Stolen Harvest: The Hijacking of the Global Food Supply*, among many other books. Dr. Shiva is a member of the IFG board of directors and the founder and director of Navdanya International, a science and policy research center.



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\$20 in advance / \$25 at the door / \$10 students

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A reception and book signing immediately follows. Proceeds benefit Navdanya International.

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