

# Blue Water Workshop

## *Progress In A New Light*

### *Progress, Sustainability, Decline & Collapse*

#### *Leadership, Adaptive Development & Survival in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

You & a guest are invited to attend this Leadership Calgary workshop. In this workshop we will explore some of the basics of adaptive development in individuals, organizations and societies; the reasons for conflicting ideas about what progress is and how to achieve and sustain it; the destructive and potentially catastrophic effects of limited conceptions of progress; and implications for progressive leadership and development in every sector.

#### **WORKSHOP DETAILS:**

**Date:** Wednesday, February 24, 2010

**Time:** 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

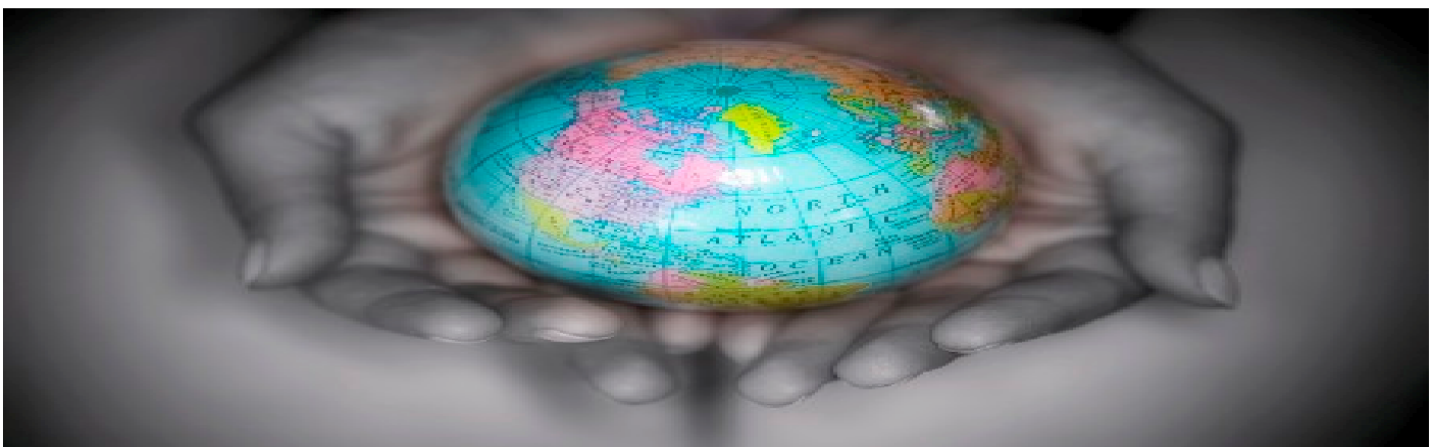
**Location:** Nexen Theatre, 2900- 801 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW – please enter the building at the 7<sup>th</sup> Ave & 7<sup>th</sup> St. entrance & check in at the security desk. Signs will be posted leading you to the theatre.

**Workshop Fees** (includes pizza & refreshments)

- Alumni/current participant = \$30
- Current participant + guest = \$50 for two people
- Public = \$50.00

**RSVP:** Please see attached registration form

**Further information regarding topic:** see page 3



# Registration Form:

**HOW TO REGISTER:**  
Please complete the following details and return to Roopa Khanna by February 23, 2010.

**FACSIMILE/MAIL:**  
Fax to (403) 403-265-8981 or  
Mail to Leadership Calgary  
1170, 1202 Volunteer Way (Centre Street SE)  
Calgary, AB T2G 5A5

**OR**

**EMAIL:**  
Email scanned form(s) to Roopa Khanna at [rkhanna@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:rkhanna@volunteercalgary.ab.ca)

**BOOKINGS CONFIRMATION:**  
Bookings will be confirmed upon receipt of payment.

**CANCELLATION POLICY**  
Cancellations received prior to the registration deadline date will attract a \$20 administrative fee. No refund will be available for cancellation received after February 23, 2010. Cancellations must be received in writing via fax or email.

**ENQUIRIES:**  
Contact Roopa Khanna at (403) 231-1402 or [rkhanna@volunteercalgary.ab.ca](mailto:rkhanna@volunteercalgary.ab.ca)



I wish to register for the Leadership Calgary Workshop on "Progress In A New Light".

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

	No. of Attending	Price	Total
Alumni		\$30.00	
LC2010 + Guest		\$50.00	
Public		\$50.00	

**Names of additional attendees:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Payment Options:**

**Payment by cheque:**  
Enclosed please find cheque payable to Volunteer Calgary for the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

**Payment by Credit Card**  
Please debit my credit card account with the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_  
Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Catering Purposes:**  
Are there special dietary requirements that we may need to be aware of?  
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Or are there any foods to which you are allergic?  
 YES     NO  
If YES, please specify:  
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# Progress In A New Light

## **Progress, Sustainability, Decline & Collapse**

### *Leadership, Adaptive Development & Survival in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

For better and for worse, humanity's imagination, conscience and meaning making capacities provide a level of creative control over development shared by no other species. Learning to use this control wisely is another matter. Individually and collectively we choose the paths we take based on judgments about what could make things better - and what could keep things from getting worse. We choose our paths based on a sense of what would lead to progress and security, but our horizons of understanding and caring are always limited and what seems like a promising path can lead to decline and collapse as events unfold.

Progress, sustainability, decline and collapse are not abstract ideas that have recently occurred to people. They are core aspects of learning and mastery at every level of human activity and have been a focus of interest and concern throughout history. Much has been learned about adaptive and maladaptive development in specialized fields of endeavor, but we have also forgotten or ignored much. The promise *and* catastrophic potential of the adaptive challenges we are facing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century cannot be met without learning from the past, and extending our imagination, conscience and meaning making capacities to match the scope and complexity of the challenges we are facing – as a species. This will not be easy, and we still have much to learn about how to do it, but we know more than enough to get on with it. Our survival depends on us doing so.

This workshop will provide a brief introduction to the Leadership Calgary curriculum framework, and a refresher for alumni.