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## Sustainable Kingston, Earthub and KFPL host Seth Klein to mobilize Kingston for climate emergency

Join Sustainable Kingston, Earthub and the Kingston Frontenac Public Library for a discussion with Seth Klein, author of <u>A Good War: Mobilizing Canada for the Climate Emergency</u>.

The book takes lessons learned from the Second World War and applies them to the climate crisis. Klein delves into marshalling economic and human resources, how to pay for the effort, what kind of leadership is required, how to secure public support and national unity, and which wartime impacts we do not want to repeat.

In April 2021, Kingston resident Mary Jane Philp purchased 338 copies of *A Good War* to distribute to every Canadian member of Parliament along with a letter from Philp encouraging MPs to take action. Philp is one of the organizers of the upcoming event, collaborating with Dan Hendry, Joan Lee and Jim Brown.

During *Mobilizing Kingston for the Climate Emergency*, Klein, team lead and Director of Strategy with the David Suzuki Institute's Climate Emergency Unit and founding BC Director of the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, will outline how Canada can respond to the climate emergency, including how employment concerns and climate change can be aligned.

"Having somebody from the front lines of the climate crisis like Seth Klein is a great chance for our region to engage on the topic," said Jake Miller, Librarian, Adult Programming. "The City of Kingston declared a climate emergency in 2019, and we have to collaborate with experts and advocates such as Seth to meet the challenges we're facing. KFPL is thrilled to work alongside Earthub and Sustainable Kingston to make this possible."

The event is happening online May 16 from 7-8 p.m. Participants do not need a library card to register. Register at https://calendar.kfpl.ca/event/6557346 or by calling 613-549-8888.

Interested in reading more on climate change? Explore these titles in KFPL's collection: <a href="https://www.kfpl.ca/news-and-reviews/may-we-suggest/2022/04/22/may-we-suggest-honouring-earth">https://www.kfpl.ca/news-and-reviews/may-we-suggest/2022/04/22/may-we-suggest-honouring-earth</a>