

Simplicity Matters Earth Institute

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Videos are available exploring the topics we discuss in our circles -- simpler living, environmental sustainability, and our bioregion.

Now, thanks to generous people associated with Simplicity Matters Earth Institute (SMEI), you can borrow the videos below and organize a video night at your home.

Or you can borrow a series of them, and organize an entire video discussion circle!

How it works

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If you would like to give back to the community by making your videos available to others through this list, please contact Lena <Lena@simplicity-matters.org> or 301-432-8721.

Video List

- Videos are listed in alphabetical order, by name.
- Links will open a new browser window.
- The discussion guides most closely associated with each video are designated in red. To learn more about them visit simplicity-matters.org/guides. **Northwest Earth Institute discussion guides:** CSL = Choices for Sustainable Living; DSOP = Discovering a Sense of Place; CO₂ = Global Warming Changing Co2urse; HCHP = Healthy Children, Healthy Planet; MF = Menu for the Future; RE = Reconnecting with Earth; SSW =

Sustainable Systems at Work; VS = Voluntary Simplicity. **Different choices:** YMOYL = Your Money or Your Life; LPB = Simplicity Lessons; LCD = Low Carbon Diet.

1. [A Quiet Revolution](#), (26 min). VHS available from [Lore](#). (CSL)
2. [A Sense of Place](#), Foundation for Global Community (29 min). VHS available from [Gina](#). (DSOP)
3. [Affluenza](#) (1 hr). Includes [Viewer's Guide](#). VHS available from [Lore](#), [Marney](#). (LBP, VS)
4. [American Mania: When More is Not Enough](#), Seeds of Simplicity, (? min). Audio CD available from [Lore](#). (LBP, VS)
5. [An Inconvenient Truth](#) (96 min), DVD available from [Lena](#). (CO₂, CSL)
6. [Ancient Futures: Learning from Ladakh](#) (60 min), VHS available from [Jamie](#). (CSL, DSOP, RE, LBP, VS)
7. [Architecture to Zucchini](#) (2 hrs, in segments). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL)
8. [Black Gold](#) (77 min), DVD available from [Jamie](#). (CSL, GiC, MF)
9. [Blue Planet](#), IMAX, (42 min.). Subtitles in English. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, DSOP, RE)
10. [Broken Limbs: Apples, Agriculture, and the New American Farmer](#) (55 min). VHS available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF)
11. [Buyer be FAIR](#), KCTS (1 hr?). DVD available from [Lena](#). (GiC, MF)
12. [China Blue](#) (88 min), DVD available from [Jamie](#) (GiC)
13. [Circle of Plenty](#), Bullfrog Films (27 min). VHS available from [Lena](#). (CSL, GiC, MF)
14. [Clutter: Treasure or Trash?](#) (59 min). DVD produced by the City of Greenbelt, available from [Lore](#). (LBP, VS)
15. [Colonial House](#), PBS (8 hours, 8 episodes in 2 DVDs). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, DSOP, LBP, MF, VS)
16. [Diet for a New America](#), John Robbins (60 min). Closed captioned. VHS available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF, VS)
17. [Dig It!](#), John Jeavons (30 min), VHS available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF)
18. [Earth on the Edge](#), with Bill Moyers (2 hrs). VHS available from [Lore](#). (CSL)
19. [Escape from Affluenza](#) (1 hr). Includes [Discussion Guide](#). VHS, available from [Lore](#), [Marney](#). (HCHP, LBP, VS)
20. [Exploring a New Cosmology](#), Foundation for Global Community (2:28 hrs). 2-DVD set available from [Gina](#). (CSL, RE).
21. [Fast Food Nation](#) (114 min). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF, VS)
22. [Fed Up!](#) (58 min), Wholesome Goodness Productions. Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF)
23. [Fighting Global Warming-One House at a Time](#), Chesapeake Climate Action Network (25 min). VHS available from [Marat](#). (CSL, CO₂)
24. [Frontier House](#), PBS (6 hours, 6 episodes in 2 DVDs). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, DSOP, LBP, VS)
25. [Global Banquet: Politics of Food](#) (two 28-minute segments), VHS available from [Jamie](#). (CSL, GiC, MF)
26. [Global Warming: The Signs and the Science](#), PBS (60 min). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, CO₂)
27. [Greenbelt: A Model of Cooperation](#) (15 min?). VHS available from [Marat](#). (DSOP)
28. [Harvest of Fear](#), Frontline/NOVA, PBS (120 min). VHS available from [Lena](#). (CSL, GiC, LBP, MF, VS)
29. [Hooked on Nature](#), Earthome, Inc. (9 min). DVD available from [Lore](#). (HCHP)
30. [Hot Planet, Cold Comfort](#), Scientific American Frontiers (30 min). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CO₂, CSL)

31. Introduction to the Northwest Earth Institute (20 min). VHS available from [Lore](#). (All NWEI topics)
32. [Is Wal-Mart Good for America?](#) Frontline, PBS (60 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (LBP, VS, YMOYL)
33. [Kilowatt Ours: A Plan to Re-Energize America](#), (55 min). VHS available from [Marney](#), DVD available from [Lena](#). (CO₂, CSL)
34. [King Corn](#) (90 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF)
35. [Life and Debt](#) (86 min), DVD available from [Jamie](#) (GiC, MF)
36. [Life After People](#), History Channel (94 min). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL)
37. [Maquilopolis](#) (60 min). DVD available from [Jamie](#) (GiC)
38. [More Fun, Less Stuff](#), Center for a New American Dream (30 min). [Download a Discussion Guide](#) (PDF). VHS available from [Lore](#), [Lena](#). (HCHP, LBP, VS)
39. [Next Industrial Revolution](#), Earthhome (55 min). Discussion Guide. DVD available from Lore; VHS available from [Marney](#). (CSL, HCHP)
40. [Powaqqatsi: Life in Transformation](#), Frontline, PBS (97 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (RE, LBP, VS)
41. [Power Shift](#) (26 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CO₂, CSL)
42. [Rachel Carson's Silent Spring](#), American Experience, PBS (55 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, LBP, MF)
43. [Recyclin'](#) (45 min). Powers Philms. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, DSOP)
44. [Red Alert! The Washington Region Fights Unhealthy Air](#), Sierra Club (9 min). VHS available from [Lore](#). (CSL)
45. [Secret History of the Credit Card](#), Frontline, PBS (60 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (LBP, VS, YMOYL)
46. [Silent Killer: The Unfinished Campaign Against Hunger](#), Bullfrog Films (57 min). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, MF)
47. [Simple Living With Wanda Urbanska, Season 1](#), Simple Living America (8 30-min episodes) 2-VHS set available from [Lena](#). (All topics) [Associated resource list](#)
48. [Simple Living With Wanda Urbanska, Season 2](#), Simple Living America (10 30-min episodes). Closed captioned. 3-DVD set available from [Lena](#) and from [Marney](#). (All topics) [Associated resource list](#)
49. [Simple Living With Wanda Urbanska, Season 3](#), Simple Living America (8 30-min episodes). Closed captioned. 2-DVD set available from [Lena](#). (All topics) [Associated resource list](#)
50. [Simple Living With Wanda Urbanska, Season 4](#), Simple Living America (13 30-min episodes). Closed captioned. 2-DVD set available from [Lena](#). (All topics)
51. [The 1900 House](#), PBS (4-episodes, 220 minutes total). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, LBP, VS)
52. [The 1940 House](#), PBS (180 minutes total, separated into several scenes). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, LBP, VS)
53. [The Cost of Cool](#), (26 min). Includes Discussion Guide. VHS available from [Marney](#). (HCHP, LBP, VS)
54. [The Elegant Universe](#), NOVA, (180 minutes, 2 in 2 DVDs). Closed captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (RE)
55. [The Future of Food](#), Lily Films (approx 125 minutes in 1 DVD). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, DSOP, GiC, MF, VS)
56. [The Merchants of Cool](#), Frontline, PBS (60 min). VHS available from [Lena](#). (HCHP, LBP, VS)
57. [The Motherhood Manifesto](#), MomsRising.org. (1 hr). DVD available from [Lena](#). (HCHP, LBP, VS)

58. [The Persuaders](#), Frontline, PBS (90 min). DVD available from [Lena](#). (CSL, HCHP, LBP, VS, YMOYL)
59. [The Story of Stuff](#) - you can view it now! -Tides Foundation, with Annie Leonard (20 min). [Downloadable Discussion Guide](#) (PDF). (CO₂, CSL, GiC, HCHP, LBP, VS)
60. [The True Cost of Food](#), project of the Sierra Club (15 min). [Downloadable Discussion Guide](#) (PDF). DVD and VHS available from [Marney](#) and from [Lena](#) (CSL, MF)
61. [The Unfolding Story](#), Foundation for Global Community (29 min). VHS available from [Gina](#). (RE)
62. [Time Management from the Inside Out](#), Julie Morgenstern, PBS (60 min). Closed Captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (LBP, VS)
63. [We Are All Smith Islanders](#), Chesapeake Climate Action Network (35 min) VHS available from [Marat](#), [Lena](#). (CSL)
64. [Walmart: The High Cost of Low Price](#), Brave New Films (97 min, and condensed 20-minute version). Closed Captioned. DVD available from [Lena](#). (GiC, DSOP, LBP, YMOYL)
65. [Winged Migration](#), Jacques Perrin (98 min). Subtitles in English. DVD available from [Lena](#). (All topics)
66. [World Population](#), Population Connection (6 min). VHS available from [Lore](#). (CSL, GiC)