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1998-Present**

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Education:

Ph.D., 1979, History of Religions, Fordham University, NY
M.A., 1975, History of Religions, Fordham University, NY
B.A., 1968, Theology and History, St. John's University, Collegeville, MN

Academic Appointments:

Yale University, New Haven, CT
School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale Divinity School,
Senior Lecturer, Research Scholar, 2007-Present
Interdisciplinary Center for Bioethics, Visiting Scholar, 2006-2007
Environmental Ethicist in Residence, 2007-Present
Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA
Research Scholar, 2001-2002, 2004-2005
Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA
Professor, Department of Religion, 1989-2005
Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
Humanities Division, 1986-1989
Elizabeth Seton College, Yonkers, NY
Associate Professor, 1977-1987
State University of New York at Stony Brook, NY
Visiting Professor, Spring 1984, 1985
Maryknoll Graduate School of Theology, Ossining, NY
Visiting Professor, 1980-1981
Fordham University, Bronx, NY
Visiting Professor, 1979-1980
College of New Rochelle, NY
Adjunct Lecturer, 1977-1980
St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY
Adjunct Lecturer, 1979
College of Mount St. Vincent, Bronx, NY
Adjunct Lecturer, 1976-1979

Editorial Responsibilities:

Series Editor with Mary Evelyn Tucker of Religions of the World and Ecology a ten volume series published by Harvard University's Center for the Study of World Religions, and distributed by Harvard University, 1998-2004.

Co-Editor with Mary Evelyn Tucker for series of 12 articles on " Religion and Ecology," in revised Encyclopedia of Religion New York: Macmillan, 2005

Co-Editor with Mary Evelyn Tucker for series on Ecology and Justice with Orbis Books, 1993 to Present, nineteen books published.

Editorial board for the Journal, Worldviews: Environment, Culture, and Religion published with Brill, Netherlands, 1996 - Present.

Editorial Board for Journal Religion and Pluralism published in Toronto, Canada, 1990 - Present

Editorial Board of Teilhard Studies 1983 – Present, 61 TS published.

Awards, Fellowships and Grants:

Currie C. and Thomas A. Barron Visiting Professorship in the Environment and Humanities. Princeton Environmental Institute, Princeton University, 2012-2013.

Honorary Doctorate from St John's University, Collegeville, MN, May 14, 2011.

InterFaith Visionary Award, Temple of Understanding, New York, October 19, 2010.

Germeshausen Grant with Mary Evelyn Tucker for leaves as Research Scholars at Graduate Theological Union, University of California, Berkeley 2001-2002, 2004-2005; supporting work at Yale from 2006.

Honorary Doctorate from the California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA May 22, 2005.

Templeton Foundation Grant for the Conference Series "Teilhard 2005" in New York City, April 2005.

V. Kann-Rasmussen Award with Mary Evelyn Tucker in recognition of the conference series "Religions of the World and Ecology," October 21st, 1998.

V. Kann-Rasmussen, Germeshausen Foundations Grants for series of 12 conferences on "The Religions of the World and Ecology," held at the Center for the Study of World Religions (CSWR), Harvard University, 1996-1998, and on Oct. 20th at the American Museum of Natural History, on October 21st at the United Nations. Conception, planning and organizational responsibilities with Mary Evelyn Tucker.

V. Kann-Rasmussen, Germeshausen, Kendeda Foundations Grants for work of the Forum on Religion and Ecology 1999-2011.

Surdna Foundation Grant for Construction of the Forum on Religion and Ecology\ Web Site at Harvard University under the Center for the Environment, 1999-2000.

Aga Khan Trust for Culture Grant for "Islam and Ecology" conference in the conference series "Religions of the World and Ecology," May 7-10, 1998.

Sakaruna Foundation Grant for "Indigenous Traditions and Ecology conference in the conference series "Religions of the World and Ecology," November 13-16, 1997.

Laurance Rockefeller Foundation Grant for "Indigenous Traditions and Ecology conference in the conference series "Religions of the World and Ecology," November 13-16, 1997.

Senior Fellow at The Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, Sabbatical Academic Year, 1995-1996.

American Academy of Religion (AAR) Collaborative Grant with Professor Ron-Guey Chu, Academia Sinica/Taiwan, for ongoing study of Taiwanese Shamanism, January 1995.

Curricular Grant, Bucknell University, Summer 1994, "Adapting Video Materials on Shamanism to the Classroom Setting."

NEH Summer Stipend, June 26-August 26th, 1993, "19th Century Crow/Apsaaloke Religious Resistance," Columbian Quincentennial Grant.

Scholarly Development Grant, Bucknell University, Summer, 1992, 2001.

Pennsylvania Humanities Council funding for "Summer Workshop for High School Teachers: The Teaching of Native American Culture and History in the High School Curriculum," June 28-July 2, 1992.

Pitcairn-Crabbe Foundation Grant for two year project (1991-93) "The Columbian Quincentennial: A Critical Investigation."

AAR Research Grant to study Winter Dance of the Kettle Falls Peoples, Inchelium, WA, January 1991

East-West Center at the University of Hawaii, "Workshop on Primal Spirituality," January 13-17, and June 6-13, 1991; January 6-11, and June 8-12, 1992; January 2-8, and June 21-25 1993.

Scholarly Development Grant, Bucknell University, Summer, 1989

Humanities Seminars for visiting Scholars at New York University, Spring, 1988, "At the Crossroads: The Dead Sea Scrolls and the History of Judaism and Christianity."

NEH Travel to Collections Grant, 1987, "A Study of Materials related to the Winter Dance of Columbia Plateau native peoples in the Jesuit Oregon Province Archives at Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA ."

Mellon Foundation Fellowship at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, Spring, 1987, Seminar in "Language, Mind, and Reality"

Charles A. Dana Education Faculty Fellowship at Sarah Lawrence College and Bucknell University. 1986-1990.

NEH Summer Stipend, July 6th-September 9th, 1986, "The Sun Dance among the Crow Peoples of Montana," Wyola, MT.

NEH Summer Seminar, June 9th-July 3rd, 1986, "Transatlantic Encounters," The Newberry Library, Chicago, IL.

Newberry Library/Smithsonian Institution Conference, October 2nd-5th, 1985, "The Impact of Indian History on the Teaching of the United States History," National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C.

Marquette League for Catholic Indian Missions, Spring, 1984, Preparation of "Mission Institute Conference" at Elizabeth Seton College.

Research Grants, Elizabeth Seton College, Yonkers, NY, Summers, 1980-1985.

NEH Seminar, Summer, 1977, "Self and Society in East Asia," Earlham College, IN.

Publications:

BOOKS

The Christian Future and the Fate of Earth: Collected Essays of Thomas Berry Edited with Mary Evelyn Tucker. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2009.

Indigenous Traditions and Ecology: The Interbeing of Cosmology and Community. Edited by John Grim, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press for CSWR series World Religions and Ecology, 2001.

Religion and Ecology: Can the Climate Change? Co-edited with Mary Evelyn Tucker Daedalus, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, MA, Fall 2001.

Worldviews and Ecology: Religion, Philosophy, and the Environment. Co-edited with Mary Evelyn Tucker. Lewisburg, PA: Bucknell University Press, 1993, paperback edition Orbis Books, 1994. (Eighth printing 2003, Translated into Indonesian).

Shamans and Preachers, Color Symbolism and Commercial Evangelism: Reflections on Early Mid-Atlantic Religious Encounter in Light of the Columbian Quincentennial Edited by John Grim. Special Issue American Indian Quarterly University of Nebraska Press, Fall 1992, Volume XVI, Number 4.

The Shaman, Patterns of Siberian and Ojibway Healing Civilization of the American Indian Series #165, Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1983; paper back, 1984; reprinted in 1987 as The Shaman, Patterns of Religious Healing Among the Ojibway Indians. French translation, 1985.

BOOKS IN PROGRESS

Ecology and Religion. Co-authored with Mary Evelyn Tucker. Island Press, Washington, D.C. forthcoming, 2013.

Living Cosmologies: An Approach to the Study of Religion and Ecology. Co-authored with Mary Evelyn Tucker, in preparation.

ARTICLES

Chapters, or Articles in Edited Books:

“Communion of Subjects Telling Time: Thomas Berry’s Historical Vision,” for Thomas Berry’s Thought Montreal: McGill-Queens, forthcoming. 2013.

“Indigenous Embodied Knowing: A Study of Crow/Apsaalooke Space, Nature, and the Sacred,” in Nature, Space, and Sacred Farnham, UK: Ashgate Press, 2009.

“Teilhard de Chardin’s Evolutionary Vision,” in Rediscovering Teilhard’s Fire Philadelphia: St. Joseph’s University Press, 2009.

- "Indigenous Knowing and Responsible Life in the World," in Eco-Spirit: Religions and Philosophies for the Earth. Edited by Laurel Kearns and Catherine Keller, New York: Fordham University Press, Forthcoming, 2007.
- "Indigenous Lifeways and Ways of Knowing," in The Oxford Handbook of Religion and Science. Edited by Philip Clayton, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006.
- "Indigenous Traditions: Religion and Ecology," in The Oxford Handbook of Religion and Ecology. Edited by Roger Gottlieb, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006.
- "Knowing and Being Known by Animals: Indigenous Perspectives on Personhood" in A Communion of Subjects: Animals in Religion, Science, and Ethics. Edited by Paul Waldau and Kimberley Patton, New York: Columbia University Press, 2006.
- "Introduction," with Mary Evelyn Tucker to Teilhard in the 21st Century: The Emerging Spirit of Earth. Edited by Arthur Fabel and Donald St John, Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books, 2003.
- "Honoring the Ancestral Bones: The Grave Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 and the Algonquian Feast of the Dead," chapter in Ancestors in Post-Contact Religion. Edited by Steven Friesen, Cambridge: Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions, distributed by Harvard University Press, 2002.
- "Living in a Universe: Native American Cosmologies and the Environment," in When Worlds Converge: What Science and Religion Tell Us about the Story of the Universe and Our Place in It. Edited by Cliff Matthews, Mary Evelyn Tucker, and Philip Hefner Chicago: Open Court, 2002.
- "Crow / Apsaalooke Vitality in a Changing World," with Magdalene Medicine Horse-Mocassin Top, in Endangered Peoples of North America and the Caribbean. Edited by Thomas Greaves, Greenwood Press, 2001.
- "Indigenous Traditions and Deep Ecology," in Deep Ecology and World Religions. Edited by David Barnhill and Roger Gottlieb, Albany: State University of New York Press, 2001.
- "Absaroke/Crow: Traditional Ways and Contemporary Vitality," in Native Religions and Cultures of North America: Anthropology of the Sacred. Edited by Lawrence Sullivan. New York: Continuum, 2000; also as "Vie Tradizionali e Vitalita Contemporanea: Gli Absaroka/Crow," in Culture E Religioni Degli Indiani d'America. Edited by Lawrence E. Sullivan Milan, Italy: Jaca Book-Massimo, 2000: 87-114.
- "A Biographical View," in The Human Response: Reverence for Life. Edited by Frederick Franck, UNESCO Institute for Education Circumstantial Productions Publishing, 1998.
- "An Awful Feeling of Loneliness: Native North American Mystical Traditions," in Doors of Understanding: Conversations in Global Spirituality in Honor of Ewert Cousins. Edited by Steven Chase, Quincy, Illinois: Franciscan Press, 1997.
- "A Comparative Study in Native American Philanthropy," in Philanthropy and Culture: A Comparative Perspective. Edited by Warren Ilchman and Edward Queen, Indianapolis, IN: Indiana University Press, 1997.
- "Rituals among Native Americans," in Handbook in Anthropology of Religion. Edited by Stephen J. Glazer, Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1997.
- "Native American Worldviews and Ecology," in Worldviews and Ecology. Lewisburg, PA: Bucknell University Press, 1993.

"Aging among Native Americans: The Quest for Wisdom," in Aging: Spiritual Perspectives, Lake Worth, Florida: Sunday Publications, 1982.

Encyclopedia Entries:

- "Thomas Berry," in New Catholic Encyclopedia Farmington Hills, MI, 2011.
- "Native American Religions," in The Encyclopedia of World History Great Barrington, MA: Berkshire Publishing, 2009.
- "Cosmology," in The Spirit of Sustainability Great Barrington, MA: Berkshire Publishing, 2008.
- "Ecology and Indigenous Traditions," in Encyclopedia of Religion. New York: Macmillan, 2005.
- "Religion and Ecology," with Mary Evelyn Tucker Encyclopedia of Religion. New York: Macmillan, 2005.
- "Shamanism and Ecology" in Encyclopedia of Shamanism. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2004.
- "Sundance Traditions," and "Plains Indians Understandings of Power," in the Encyclopedia of American Indian Religious Traditions. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, 2004.
- "Indians, History of Religions: Definition of Term, Survey" in Religions in Geschichte und Gegenwart. Tübingen, Germany: J.C.B.Mohr, 2001.
- "Couvade," in Encyclopedia of Women and World Religion. New York: Macmillan, 2000.
- "Treatise on the Anthropology of the Sacred: North American Absaroke/Crow," in Editoriale Jaca Book. Milan, Italy, 1998.
- "Bear Story," in Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart. Tübingen, Germany: J.C.B. Mohr, 1998.
- "Shamanism" in The Dictionary of Art. London: Macmillan, 1996.
- "Shaman" in Harper's Dictionary of Religion. NY: Harper & Row and American Academy of Religion, 1995.
- "Native American Religions," in Encyclopedia of Bioethics. NY: Macmillan Pub. Co., 1995.
- "Religions of the Northeastern Woodlands of North America" and "Wovoka," Encyclopedia of Religion. New York: Macmillan, 1987.
- "Joseph Campbell" in The New Catholic Encyclopedia. Catholic University, Washington, DC, 1988

Journal Articles:

- "Embodied Knowledge in Apsalooka/Crow Environmental Ethics," International Journal of Social Science, forthcoming 2011.
- "Cosmology in the World's Religions, The Universe Story, and the Earth Charter," in Beliefs and Values Vol. 1, No. 1, 2009.

- "Daring to Dream: Religion and the Future of the Earth," with Mary Evelyn Tucker in Reflections Yale Divinity School Spring 2007:4-9.
- "Cosmology and Native North American Mystical Traditions," Theologiques. Faculté de théologie de l'Université de Montréal, Vol 9, No. 1, 2001: 113-142.
- "Indigenous Traditions and Ecological Ethics in J. Baird Callicott, Earth's Insights," in Worldviews:Environment, Culture, Religion vol. 1, no. 2, 1997.
- "American Indian Religions: Cultural Identity, Authenticity, and Community Survival." for Special Issue of the American Indian Quarterly on Native American Spirituality edited by Lee Irwin, Vol. 20, Nos. 3&4, Summer & Fall, 1996. (published July 1997); also in Native American Spirituality: A Reader. Lincoln: The University of Nebraska Press, 2000.
- "Apsaalooke Ashkisshe: A Description of the Crow Indian Sun Dance," Occasional Papers #18, Newberry Library, D'Arcy McNickle Center, June, 1994.
- "Introduction: Religion and Encounter: Mid-Atlantic Regional Contact Between Native American and EuroAmerican Peoples after the Voyages of Columbus," in American Indian Quarterly Fall 1992, Vol. XVI, No. 4: 445-450.
- "Ecological Dimensions of Native North American Religions," in Dialogue and Alliance, Vol. VII, No.2 (Fall/Winter 1993).
- "Cosmogony and the Winter Dance: Salishan Ethics in Transition," Journal of Religious Ethics. Fall 1992.
- "Renewing the Earth: Religion and Ecology in the Winter Dance of the Kettle Falls People," Bulletin Pontificium Consilium pro Dialogo Inter Religiones. XXVII/1, 1992.
- "Knowledge of the Cosmos in American Indian Prayer," Ecospirit. Bethlehem, PA, Fall, 1988; expanded and reprinted in Quest, Vancouver, Canada, 1992
- "Time, History, Historians in Thomas Berry's Vision," Cross Currents. Dobbs Ferry, NY, Summer/Fall, 1987.
- "A Korean Shaman's Ceremony: Chaesu Kut," Asian Folklore Studies, Vol. XLIII-2. Nagoya, Japan, 1984
- "Viewing the Hana Matsuri at Shimoawashiro, Aichi Prefecture," Asian Folklore Studies, Vol. XLI-2. 1982.

Published Studies:

- Thomas Berry (1915-2009): Reflection on His Life and Thought Teilhard Studies #61, Hagerstown, MD: American Teilhard Association, Fall 2010.
- Teilhard's Vision of Evolution. Co-authored with Mary Evelyn Tucker, Teilhard Studies #50, Hagerstown, MD: American Teilhard Association, Spring 2005
- Apocalyptic Spirituality in the Old and New Worlds: Revisioning Time and Matter. Teilhard Studies #27, Chambersburg, PA: Anima Press for the American Teilhard Association, 1992; revised edition "Apocalyptic Spirituality in the Old and New Worlds: The Revisioning of History and Matter" in The Journal of Religious Pluralism Volumes V-VI, (Toronto, 1995-1996: 64-107).
- Teilhard de Chardin: A Short Biography. Teilhard Studies #12, Chambersburg, PA: Anima Press for the American Teilhard Association, 1984.

Shamanism: The Tribal Healer and the Technological Trance. Teilhard Studies #6,
Chambersburg, PA: Anima Press for American Teilhard Association, 1982.

Journalistic Articles and Bibliographies:

Oxford University Press Online Bibliography in "Spiritual Ecology" 2012.

"Creation, Communion and Universe Story: Teilhard de Chardin and Thomas Berry" with Mary Evelyn Tucker in Gatherings Edited Rev. Robert Moriarty, Hartford Diocese, CT.

"Indigenous Peoples and 'Classics' for an Emerging World," in Classics for an Emerging World: Proceedings of a Conference on Liberal Education and the Core Curriculum Edited by Wm. Theodore de Bary, Shang Wei, Rachel Chung. The Columbia University Committee on Asia and the Middle East, New York, 2008: 136-139.

"Potlatch Distribution - Native American Philanthropy," Bucknell World, vol. 25, no. 1, January 1997.

"The *Dangki* in Contemporary Taiwan," in Religious Studies News Published by the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature, vol. 10, no. 4, November 1995: 18-20.

"Monotheism as a "Sacred Bundle": What it Reveals and What it Conceals," for The Pacific Institute Seminar April 1994.

"Traveling Through Time: The Columbian Quincentennial As An Opportunity For National Self-Reflection," Bucknell World. Vol. 2, No. 2, January 1992.

"Stepping on the Ground: Religious Values of Native Americans," Maryknoll Magazine. Maryknoll, NY, March, 1986

"Native American Religions and Interreligious Dialogue," Ecumenical Trends. Garrison, NY, October, 1986

BOOK REVIEWS

America, 1995

American Indian Culture and Research Journal 2006

American Indian Quarterly, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1992, 2007

Asian Folklore Studies, 1982, 1983

Buddhist-Christian Dialogue, 1996

International Journal of Comparative Religions, 1994

Journal of American Folklore, 1989

Journal of Religion 2001

Journal of Ritual Studies, 1988

Journal of World History, 1993

Religion and Intellectual Life/Cross Currents, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1999

Theological Studies, 1989

Union Theological Quarterly, 1981

Film

Journey of the Universe, Executive Producer with Mary Evelyn Tucker. Won a regional Emmy for Northern California Region, Broadcast on PBS 2011-2012.

Field Work:

Yamuna River Workshop

Yale-TERI University workshop on "The Yamuna River: A Confluence of Waters, A Crisis of Need," bringing together religious leaders of pilgrimage sites in Vrindaban with scientists at TERI University, New Delhi, India, January 3-5, 2011.

Native American Field Studies

Ashkisshelissua "Sundance," Apsaaloke/Crow Indian Rituals, and Religious Thought, Crow Indian Reservation, Montana, Summers 1983-1989, 1991-1996, 1999-2001, 2003-2006, 2007, 2009. (2003-2004, 2009 emphasis on traditional aawushwa "sweat lodge" construction and ceremonial, (Participated in nine Ashkisshelissua ceremonies)

Winter Dance among Kettle Falls People at Inchelium, WA, Colville Indian Reservation, January 1985-1993, February 1994 and 1997, 2001.

Interviews with Healing Practitioners in East and Southeast Asia

Japanese Shugendo Pilgrimage (Katsuragi Gyo), April 1982

Korean Shamans/mansin, Seoul, May 1982

Taiwanese Shamans/dongki, Tainan & Taipei, May 1982, Jan. 1993, Feb. 1995

T'boli Shamans/tau mulung, Mindanao, Philippines, June 1982

Hmong Shaman, Tribal Research Center, Cheng Mai, Thailand, July 1982.

Filming Religious Sites and Rituals for Classroom Presentations

Borobudur, Indonesia, April 1993

Angkor Wat, Cambodia, April 1993

Temple of Heaven, Taoist and Confucian Temples, Beijing, China, May 1993

Dun Huang, China, Magao caves, May 1993

Buddhist Temples, Japan, 1982, 1985, 1993.

Yamabushi (Shugendo) Rituals, Japan, 1982.

Adjanta and Elora Caves, Aurangabad, India, 1982.

Consultation for "Comparative World Religions Program" for Friend's World College of Long Island University, an undergraduate study abroad program in Jerusalem, Bangalore, and Kyoto, Visiting sites and interviewing lecturers, December 28-February 2, 1996.

Professional Organizations:

American Academy of Religion, 1980 - Present
 Society for the Study of American Indian Religious Traditions, 1988 – Present
 Advisory Board, Center for the Study of Science & Religion, Columbia University,
 New York, 1995-Present.
 American Teilhard Association, 1978 - Present
 President 1987 to Present
 Newberry Library Alumni Association, 1986 - Present
 Columbia University Seminar on Studies in Religion, 1980 - 1993
 Harvard Native American Program, Faculty Advisory Board, 1995 -1996
 College Theology Society, 1986 – 1989

Selected Professional Activities:

EXHIBITIONS and PERFORMANCES ORGANIZED

“The World Tree” a World Premier of a Performance Piece by Jazz Musician, Paul Winter and the Earth Consort, at Bucknell University, October 23, 1999.
 “An Evening of Celebration with Thomas Berry, Brian Swimme, and the Indigenous Group “Inca Sun” at St. Bartholomew’s Church, Park Avenue, New York, October 20, 1998.
 "Skin, Sand, Paint, and Metal: A Visual Exploration of Cross-Cultural Encounters," Center Gallery, Bucknell University, Fall, 1992
 "American Indian Religious Art and Cross-Cultural Exchange" from the Bush Collection, Esther Raushenbush Library, Sarah Lawrence College, February/March, 1989
 "American Indian Art: Power and Transformation" selections from the Bush Collection of Religion and Culture, Low Library, Columbia University, January-February, 1981

Conferences Organized

"Religion and Environmental Stewardship," Conference organized at Yale Divinity School, June 2012.
 "Journey of the Universe," Conference organized with science and humanities faculty with film showing at the Peabody Museum, March, 2011.
 “Environmental (Dis)Locations: Environmental Justice and Climate Change,” Conference organized with faculty at Yale Divinity School, April 8-10, 2010.
 Thomas Berry Memorial at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, September 26, 2009.
 “10th Anniversary of the Forum on Religion and Ecology” Yale Club, New York City, November 18, 2008.
 “Renewing Hope: Pathways of Religious Environmentalism” Yale Divinity School February 28 – March 2nd, 2008.
 "Toward a New Consciousness: Creating a Society in Harmony with Nature," Conference organizer with faculty from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, September 2007.

- “Teilhard 2005.” With Mary Evelyn Tucker and Franklin Vilas, “Inaugural Symposium” Thursday April 7th, 2005; “The Spirit of the Earth: Global Ethics and a Sustainable Future,” Friday April 8th at the United Nations. “The Life and Thought of Teilhard,” presentation at the Convent School of the Sacred Heart, Friday April 8th, 2005; “A Celebration of the Epic of Evolution: Affirming the Vision of Teilhard,” Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City, Saturday, April 9th, 2005.
- “Teilhard-Whitehead” Conference with Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Cobb, Claremont School of Theology, February 24-25, 2005.
- “Summer Seminar in Religious Texts and Teaching Religion and Ecology” A Workshop for Secondary School Teachers, with Mary Evelyn Tucker and Tom Collins, at Bucknell University June 24th-29th, 2000.
- "Religions of the World and Ecology" a series of 11 conferences at the Center for the Study of World Religions (CSWR) at Harvard University, May 1996 to October 1998. Organized with Mary Evelyn Tucker.
- Buddhism and Ecology (with Duncan Williams), May 3-5, 1996
 - Confucianism and Ecology (with John Berthrong), May 30-June 1, 1996
 - Shinto and Ecology (with Rosemarie Bernard), March 21-24, 1997
 - Hinduism and Ecology (with Christopher Chapple), October 2-5, 1997
 - Indigenous Traditions and Ecology (with John Grim), November 13-16, 1997
 - Judaism and Ecology (with Steve Shaw & Moshe Sokol), February 22-24, 1998
 - Christianity and Ecology (with Dieter Hessel), April 16-19, 1998
 - Islam and Ecology (with John Grim & Fazlun Khalid), May 7-10, 1998
 - Daoism and Ecology (with Norman Giradot & Livia Kohn), June 5-8, 1998
 - Jainism and Ecology (with Christopher Chapple), July 10-12, 1998
 - Culminating Conference at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, Mass., September 17-20, 1998
 - Conference at the United Nations, NYC, October 20, 1998
 - Conference at the American Museum of Natural History, October 21, 1998
 - World Religions and Animals Conference at Harvard-Yenching Institute (with Paul Waldau), May 20-23, 1999
 - Daedalus* planning conference at American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, Mass., October 28-30, 1999
 - Ecological Imagination conference of nature writers and scientists at American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge Mass., October 25-29, 2000
 - Daedalus* publication conference at American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, Mass., September 24, 2001
- "The Columbian Quincentennial 1492-1992: A Critical Investigation," Bucknell University, 1991-1993, a sequence of speakers, conferences, and workshops including:
- "Religion and Encounter: Mid-Atlantic Regional Contact between Native American and Euro-American Peoples After the Voyage of Columbus," October 18-19, 1991.
 - "Religion and World View: The Interaction of Native American and European Symbol Systems from Early Contact to the Present," February 7-8, 1992, Faculty from Colgate University Native American Studies Program.
 - "Summer Workshop for High School Teachers: The Teaching of Native American Culture and History in the High School Curriculum," June 28-July 2, 1992.

"Land and the Human Presence: A Conversation Between Native and Non-Native Participants," June 9-12, 1993.
 Mission Perspectives Workshops, on "Stewardship and the Mission: Ethnicity, Acculturation and Ecology," 1984; and "Health: Folk Healing, Medicine, and Witchcraft," 1985, Elizabeth Seton College, Yonkers, NY.

SELECTED PAPERS PRESENTED

- "Yamuna River: A Paradox of Pollution and Purity," Princeton Environmental Institute, October 19, 2012.
- "Sustainable Life: Independent or Interdependent?" Commencement Address, St. John's University, Collegeville, MN, May 14, 2011.
- "Cultural Sources of Environmental Ethics," on the panel "Toward the Science and Ethics of a Culture of Sustainability" at the American Association for the Advancement of Science Chicago, February 2009.
- "Ecology and the Chinese Classics: New Grounds for Environmental Protection," at the conference "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on East Asian Religious Traditions" for the Institute of Chinese Literature and Philosophy of the Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, January 2009.
- "Indigenous Traditions and Conservation" and moderator for panel on "Spirituality and Conservation," International Union for the Conservation of Nature, World Conservation Congress, Barcelona, October 9, 2008.
- "Religion, Science. And the Environment" 7th Symposium in Greenland sponsored by the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew on "The Arctic: Mirror of Life" September 2007.
- "Religion Domain Essay," Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies Conference "Toward a New Consciousness: Creating a Society in Harmony with Nature," September 2007.
- "Indigenous Knowledge and a Sense of Place," Bamberg University, Germany, Conference on "Nature, Space and the Sacred: Transdisciplinary Perspectives," May 2007.
- "Water: A Gift in Peril" day long workshops with two presentations delivered at Royal Roads University, Victoria, BC, Canada April 2006; and the College of Mount St. Vincent, Riverdale, NY October 2006.
- "Climate Change: From Science to Action," Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies Conference on Climate Change, Aspen, Colorado, October 2005.
- "The Emerging Alliance of Religion and Ecology," at the Tehran International Conference on "Environment, Peace, and the Dialogue of Civilization and Cultures." Tehran, Iran May 9-10th, 2005 sponsored by the United Nations Environment Programme and the Department of Environment of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- "The Emerging Alliance of Religion and Ecology," Plenary address, American Academy of Religion Upper Midwest Regional Mtg, Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN. April 1, 2005.
- "Religion and Ecology: Deepening the Discourse on the Environment from the Standpoint of the Humanities" Plenary address at the Environment and Humanities: An Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Conference, Austin College, Sherman, Texas, April 24, 2004.

- "The Emerging Alliance of Religion and Ecology," Hollis Foundation Lecture, Colby College, March 9, 2004.
- "Contested Boundaries and Cosmology in Crow Rituals" American Academy of Religion panel presentation "Rethinking Comparative Ethics" November 22, 2003
- "Management or Transformation: The Emerging Alliance of Religion and Ecology" to Grand Rapids, MI meeting of West Michigan Environmental Alliance, November 2, 2002.
- "Misreading the Raindance: Indigenous Perspectives on Water," Geological Symposium of America, Pardee Symposium, November 7, 2001, Boston, MA.
- "Emerging Alliance of Religion and Ecology," at Tehran Seminar on Religion, Culture and Environment," Tehran, Iran, June 16-20, 2001.
- "Native American Cosmology of Religions: The Ecological Imagination," at College of Charleston, March 16, 2000.
- "The Forum on Religion and Ecology; An Emerging Field of Study," at Gettysburg College, Religious Emphasis Week, February 24, 2000.
- "Indigenous Lifeways and Issues of Sustainability," at "Spirituality and Sustainability" conference, Assisi, Italy July 12-17, 1997.
- "Indigenous Lifeways and Ecology," response to J. Baird Callicott's Earth Insights: A Multicultural Survey of Ecological Ethics from the Mediterranean Basin to the Australian Outback American Academy of Religion Panel, New Orleans, November 1996.
- "Apsaalooke/Crow Ashkisshe: The Survival and Growth of an American Indian Ritual called 'Sun Dance' " Presentation at a Department of Religion Forum and to two classes, Muhlenburg College, October 28, 1996.
- "Ethical Perspectives in the Study of Native North American Environmental Issues" at Harvard University in the course sponsored by the Center for the Study of Values in Public Life, titled "Environmental Science and Public Policy 101," March 11, 1996.
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