

# Something to Celebrate!

**The Centenary  
Birthday Party  
of Rachel  
Carson**



**Inspiration  
information  
performance  
and  
cake!**



with

**Bea Campbell, Barbara Dinham,  
Melissa Holding, Peter Melchett and Liz Rothschild**

2007 is the centenary year of Rachel Carson's birth. Scientist, writer and ecologist - she single-handedly challenged the US government and agro-chemical industry in her groundbreaking book 'Silent Spring'.

**Wednesday May 23rd, 7.00pm.  
Science Oxford in St. Clements, Oxford**

Tickets: £10/ £7 concessions.

Please note small charge for payment by credit card  
from Science Oxford 01865 728953 or [info@oxtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@oxtrust.org.uk)

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## **BEA CAMPBELL** Rachel Carson - a toast to her life

Beatrix Campbell is a writer and broadcaster - and co-author with Judith Jones of an acclaimed play, 'Blame', which has just completed a tour of the north of England and London. She stood as part of the Green Party's slate of candidates in London's local elections in 2006.

## **BARBARA DINHAM** The Pesticide Puzzle

Barbara Dinham was until recently the Director of Pesticide Action Network UK. Her research showed the market pressures to increase the use of pesticides and their significant effects on both the livelihood and health of poor communities. She is currently researching the pressures to bring back DDT to combat malaria.

## **MELISSA HOLDING** Music

Melissa Holding is a musician and composer who lives in Oxford and trained in Japan on the koto (traditional Japanese harp). She is one of England's leading practitioners on this instrument. She plays both traditional and contemporary music on the koto.

## **PETER MELCHETT** How Rachel Carson made me organic

Peter Melchett is Policy Director of the Soil Association. He runs a mixed 890 acre organic farm in Norfolk. He is on the Government's Organic Action Plan Group, and the BBC's Rural Affairs Committee. He was on the Department of Education's School Lunches Review Panel. He was a Labour Government Minister 1974-79. He was Director of Greenpeace UK (1985-2000).

## **LIZ ROTHSCHILD** Breaking the Silence

Liz Rothschild is a writer, director, performer and community arts worker based in Oxfordshire. 'Breaking the Silence' is a new show about Rachel Carson written and performed by Liz Rothschild. It is touring in the autumn and a short extract of the play will be read at this event. For more information on the show and tour see [www.rachelcarson.co.uk](http://www.rachelcarson.co.uk)

## **REFRESHMENTS**

Delicious local organic refreshments will be supplied by Gemma Fox and Vintage Roots.

## **INFORMATION**

There will be displays from Coleshill Organics, Pesticides Action Network UK, Resurgence, the Soil Association and UK Pesticides Campaign (Georgina Downs)

## **SCIENCE OXFORD** 1-5 London Place St Clements Oxford OX4 1BD

Science Oxford is on the corner of St Clements and Cave Street, adjacent to the traffic lights. Take the Park & Ride Bus No.400 towards Thornhill from the train station or local buses from the city centre.