

Vice President Al Gore Comes to UC San Diego to Present his Academy Award-Winning Documentary on Global Warming

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Vice President Al Gore will deliver his wildly popular "An Inconvenient Truth" multimedia lecture at the University of California, San Diego at 5:30 p.m. May 21 in RIMAC Arena. The event is free and open to the public; however, tickets are required for entry.

Sponsors for the presentation are UC San Diego, Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UC San Diego, the San Diego Foundation, the UCSD Helen Edison Lecture Series and the Environment and Sustainability Initiative.

Tickets will be distributed only through the UCSD Box Office (a maximum of four per person) by either coming to the Box Office located in the Price Center Plaza on the UC San Diego campus, or by calling the Box Office at (858) 534-8497. A fee of \$3 will be assessed on phone orders. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets will be available starting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 9.

On the day of the event, doors will open at 4:30 p.m. Seating is unassigned. No cell phones, video or photographic equipment will be allowed. Attendees are asked to enter the UCSD campus at North Point Drive. Free parking is available in designated areas.

Gore will expand on the argument presented in his book and film, "An Inconvenient Truth," that the world can no longer afford to view global warming as a political issue but rather, as the biggest moral challenge facing our global civilization. In the book and lecture, Gore makes reference to the pioneering global warming research conducted by Scripps scientist Charles David Keeling and the role of UC San Diego founder Roger Revelle in introducing Gore to climate change research when he was a Harvard student.

Since the 2000 election, Gore has re-channeled his energy to focus on an all-out effort to help save the planet from irrevocable change. With an engaging and humorous style, his lecture delivers the message about what he calls our "planetary emergency."

Vice President Gore's political career began when he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1976, where he served eight years. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1984 and re-elected in 1990. He was inaugurated as the 45th Vice President of the United States on Jan. 20, 1993.

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