SFA’S 2018 CLIMATE ACTION WEEK RECOMMENDATION LIST
From viewers like you

BOOKS

- **The Fifth Season (Broken Earth #1)**
  *About:* In a world continuously beset by natural disasters, rock mages (orogenes) are persecuted. One of them decides to split the earth open in response. The story follows Damaya, a girl taken from her home and brutally trained for her magic, Syenite, a young orogene sent on a mission with a cruel ulterior motive, and Essun, a hidden orogene who must find her daughter after her son is murdered while the earth breaks. This is the way the world ends, for the last time.
  *Aspects:* Drama, Fantasy, Adult-Focused
  *Content Warnings:* Animal Cruelty, Gore, Pregnancy, Sexual Assault -- Implied/Referenced, Sexual Content, Miscellaneous Violence, Domestic violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], child murder, child abuse, slavery, discussion of forced pregnancy

- **H20**
  *About:* A girl goes on a journey across Britain to find her father as the country is hit by a catastrophic onset of literal acid rain.
  *Aspects:* Drama, Horror/Mystery, Young Adult novel
  *Content Warnings:* Gore, Miscellaneous Violence, Hair/scalp trauma, [Some warnings may be forgotten]

- **Rendezvous with Rama**
  *About:* A strange, artificial object the size of an asteroid shows up in our solar system. The investigation team discovers it’s effectively an exploration/colonization probe complete with its own engineered, self-maintaining environment. An awesome read that actually pays attention to physics.
  *Aspects:* Sci Fi
  *Content Warnings:* Miscellaneous Violence, Spiders

- **Un Lun Dun**
  *About:* A young girl accompanies her friend Zanna into a magic world that Zanna is destined to save from the evil Smog. Unfortunately, Zanna suffers a head injury and has to go home early. Featuring conductors (of buses and electricity), binjas (trash ninjas), half-ghosts, really flawed prophecies, and the UnChosen One.
  *Aspects:* Comedy, Drama, Horror/Mystery, Sci Fi, Fantasy, Child-Focused
  *Content Warnings:* Character in coma, Insects, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten]

COMICS/WEBCOMICS
• **Nausicaa**  
  *About:* Post-apocalyptic societies vainly struggle against each other in their irradiated world while Princess Nausicaa of the Valley of the Wind uses Jedi mind powers to reunite humanity and nature  
  *Aspects:* Drama, Fantasy, Adult-Focused  
  *Content Warnings:* Animal Cruelty, Gore, Insects, Needles, Sexual Assault -- Implied/Referenced, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, Spiders, [Some warnings may be forgotten]

• **The Puma Blues**  
  *About:* A brilliant environmental parable connecting splendid artwork, animal allegory, and conspiracy theory symbolism, The Puma Blues demonstrates the possibly devastating consequences of real US government policies.  
  *Aspects:* Fantasy, Adult-Focused  
  *Content Warnings:* Animal Cruelty, Gore, Needles, Self-Harm, Sexual Content, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, Explicit nudity, [Some warnings may be forgotten], Drug abuse, aging/disease, political extremism, racism

**MOVIES**

• **Atlantis: The Lost Empire**  
  *About:* A scientist named Milo figures out where the lost city of Atlantic is and goes on an expedition there with a fun cast of characters.  
  *Aspects:* Sci Fi, Child-Focused, Cartoon  
  *Content Warnings:* Insects, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten]

• **Beasts of the Southern Wild**  
  *About:* In the not-too-distant future, a young girl struggles with life, poverty, and hope as she attempts to search for her missing mother. Meanwhile, a storm worsened by global warming begins to impact her Louisiana community, causing massive destruction.  
  *Aspects:* Drama, Fantasy  
  *Content Warnings:* Miscellaneous Violence, Mild Physical Violence Against a Child, Live fish and crabs being killed

• **Dreams (dir. Kurosawa)**  
  *About:* A reflection on the lasting impact of war and nuclear weapons on humanity, a collection of short films about how modernism and warfare change the balance between nature, humanity, and spirit(?!) worlds  
  *Aspects:* Drama, Sci Fi, Adult-Focused  
  *Content Warnings:* [Recommender has chosen not to include warnings], Cannot recall details since the whole work is so surreal and symbolic
• **Fern Gully**  
  *About:* Fairies teach woodcutters that trees feel pain  
  *Aspects:* Child-Focused, Cartoon  
  *Content Warnings:* Insects, Miscellaneous Violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten]

• **Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban**  
  *About:* Someone is out to get your favorite wizard boy! We’re not sure who, though. Tangentially climate-related things include the notion that crashing a car into a sentient tree is bad and wanting to kill an innocent animal is also bad.  
  *Aspects:* Fantasy, Adult-Focused, Child-Focused, Live Action, You all know what Harry Potter is about.  
  *Content Warnings:* Animal Cruelty, Miscellaneous Violence, Domestic violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], To find out about the potentially forgotten warnings, ask literally anyone.  
  *Notes:* This was submitted under both the categories of ‘Movie’ and ‘Book’, so it’s been put here for convenience.

• **James Bond: Quantum of Solace**  
  *About:* The world's best/sexiest/grimmest spy takes on billionaires intent on using their ecologically-harmful oil wealth to monopolize on basic needs made scarce by climate change.  
  *Aspects:* Drama, Sci Fi, Adult-Focused, Live Action  
  *Content Warnings:* Sexual Assault -- Implied/Referenced, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, Explicit nudity, [Some warnings may be forgotten], Can't remember details, but you can count on explosions, shootouts, sex, motorized shootouts, and a climax of several minutes of chain explosions

• **My Neighbor Totoro**  
  *About:* In the process of moving to a new house, two sisters meet and befriend the local forest spirit.  
  *Aspects:* Comedy, Drama, Fantasy, Child-Focused, Cartoon  
  *Content Warnings:* Illness of a parent, temporarily missing child, body horror but in a cute and fuzzy way where it’s just a cat with some extra legs

• **Princess Mononoke**  
  *About:* Human industrialism screws up everything in Miyazaki's classic story of feudal Japan. Young Ashitaka fights to restore balance between humans with their cruel, cold iron and nature spirits hoping to reclaim their homes even though humans really, really deserve everything that they have coming.  
  *Aspects:* Drama, Fantasy, Cartoon  
  *Content Warnings:* Animal Cruelty, Gore, Eye Trauma, Insects, Self-Harm, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, Industrial machinery injury, [Some warnings may be forgotten],
Depicted bodily wounds (mortal and spiritual), decapitation, the unforgivable cruelty of mankind

PODCASTS/RADIO DRAMAS

● **Tides**
  About: Stranded on an alien planet, a marine biologist keeps a journal of her struggle to survive.
  Aspects: Drama, Sci Fi, Adult-Focused
  Content Warnings: [Some warnings may be forgotten], Dangerous/hostile alien environment, Alien Body Horror, Alien Animal Attack, Depictions of ocean/water that involve the real possibility of drowning, isolation, this show is both new and ongoing so not all content may be known about or warned for

TV SHOWS

● **Avatar: The Last Airbender**
  About: Bridge between human and spirit worlds, "goofy kid" Aang the Avatar seeks to restore harmony in the world between people and with the world. Special shout-out to episodes like The Painted Lady, The Swamp, and The Winter Solstice for reflecting on human impact on/interaction with the environment.
  Aspects: Comedy, Fantasy, Child-Focused, Cartoon
  Content Warnings: Animal Cruelty, Insects, Pregnancy, Spiders, magic violence, awful awful family relations, war crimes, colonial occupation, genocide themes, "spirit world shenanigans"

● **Ice Fantasy**
  About: Fantasy Chinese drama about the war between the immortal fire and ice clans. Contains some unnecessary romantic tension, but has a lot of cool magic and epic fight scenes, plus an overpowered main bad guy and fabulous hairstyles. The opening is very long. How does it relate to the climate you say? Well, the fire clan seems to like destroying the environment in various ways (i.e. planting fire bombs in birds and destroying the ice clan's ice wall), and everyone else is trying to yell at them/stop them. Plus, everything's elemental based.
  Aspects: Drama, Dramedy, Fantasy
  Content Warnings: Animal Cruelty, Gore, Sexual Assault -- Implied/Referenced, Miscellaneous Violence, Domestic violence

● **Made In Abyss (anime/manga)**
  About: The city of Orth is famous for the giant, 20,000+ feet deep pit surrounding it, known as "The Abyss". Riko, like many other young orphans, dreams of uncovering it's secrets and becoming a White Whistle, those who are the greatest of cave raiders. With a mysterious robot boy named Reg, she embarks on a quest to reach the very bottom of the Abyss, having reason to believe that her mother, the famed White Whistle Lyza, awaits her there. However, multitudes of fantastic and dangerous flora and fauna stand in her
path, not to mention the horrors the Abyss itself inflicts on those who attempt to return to the surface...

Aspects: Dramedy, Horror/Mystery, Fantasy, Cartoon
Content Warnings: Gore, Eye Trauma, Character in coma, Insects, Self-Harm, Tooth Trauma, Miscellaneous Violence, Cartoon vomit, Explicit nudity, Spiders, Domestic violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], Hallucinations, loss of self/autonomy, People encountering/being eaten by/being turned into horrific monsters, children exploring their budding sexuality (only explicit in manga), child labor, child experimentation/abuse, children in life or death situations, pretty much general child suffering

- **The Magic School Bus**
  About: A teacher takes her elementary school class on fantastical field trips to bizarre locations. For SCIENCE.
  Aspects: Comedy, Sci Fi, Child-Focused, Cartoon
  Content Warnings: [Some warnings may be forgotten]

- **Mobile Suit Gundam**
  About: Humanity has colonized space due to gross environmental mismanagement; now rebellious space faction Zeon has annihilated 1/3 of Earth's population via ecological devastation via 'colony drop.' War affects everyone because humans always fight in this most shockingly realistic prediction of humanity's future.
  Aspects: Drama, Sci Fi, Adult-Focused, Cartoon
  Content Warnings: Gore, Character in coma, Gun Violence, Miscellaneous Violence, Industrial machinery injury, Domestic violence, War, war crimes, humanoid mech mutilation, psychological trauma, fire, destroyed families and homes, genocide, WsMD, so much war

- **Mushishi**
  About: Naturalist shaman Ginko travels around early Japan helping humans live alongside spirits, presented as episodic mysteries. The hand-painted backgrounds, traditional music, and minimalist scripts create a multisensory connection to the settings.
  Aspects: Drama, Horror/Mystery, Fantasy, Adult-Focused, Cartoon, Mystery
  Content Warnings: Animal Cruelty, Gore, Eye Trauma, Character in coma, Insects, Needles, Pregnancy, Self-Harm, Sexual Assault – Implied/Referenced, Sexual Assault -- Discussed/Mentioned (as slang, casual), Miscellaneous Violence, Explicit nudity, Spiders, Domestic violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], Boy, horror with a 'monstrous spirit of the day' hits most of these. Also, aging/body horror, graphic depiction of disease, spirit abduction, separated families, probably more
  Notes: This was submitted as both a TV show and a comic/webcomic. We’ve placed it here for convenience.

**VIDEO GAMES**
• **Flower**
  About: A flower petal moving amongst different landscapes, looking for balance in a world where machines and nature seem to be in conflict. It's an art game, so it's a little weird.
  Aspects: Literally none of those
  Content Warnings: Power towers can electrocute flower petals, and scary music. That's about it

• **Reus**
  About: Four giants representing various aspects of nature (read: the player) interacting with humanity as it begins to spread across the world.
  Aspects: Fantasy
  Content Warnings: Animal Cruelty, Miscellaneous Violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], Sometimes the humans kill each other, sometimes the humans try to kill the giants. Also you can genocide humanity if you want, but it's clearly presented a bad thing if you do

**OTHER**
• **Firebringer** (musical)
  About: Before the Stone Age, Jemilla and her tribe of cavemen ate only nuts and berries. Then one forward-thinker, Zazzalil, discovered fire, and thus began the first technological revolution. From Team Starkid, who brought you A Very Potter Musical (and its sequels) and Holy Musical, Batman, comes this very silly thing. Also, fire was the first smartphone.
  Aspects: Comedy, Parody, Adult-Focused, Live Action, Live Theater
  Content Warnings: Animal Cruelty, Sexual Content, Miscellaneous Violence, [Some warnings may be forgotten], loss of limb, fire, if you don't like really extended and unsanitary poop jokes do not watch this