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September 30th 2009: Sizzle, Global Warming Comedy and Shifting Baselines with Randy Olson

Randy Olson, marine biologist and filmmaker talks about "shifting baselines" for ecosystems and his newest film Sizzle to premier in NYC on Oct 23. Shifting baselines are the chronic, slow changes to an ecosystem or place that one is not apt to notice until. It is more difficult to appreciate and understand what has been lost in a degraded system if a baseline of what is there had not been established in the past. Sizzle, the documentary, addresses climate change without the graphs, but with disagreeable scientists and with sophisticated humor. Randy Olson explains the distinctions and advan

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Featured Guest



Randy Olson

Randy Olson is a scientist-turned filmmaker and faculty member in marine biology at USC. Most of his films draw on his science background, involve humor, and address major science issues such as the decline of the world's oceans, the controversy around the teaching of evolution versus intelligent design, and the attacks on global warming science.

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