

Bob Evans



"[Economists] really have no business being so goddam cheerful." — Gideon Rosenbluth, 1976

Forty years ago, many economists were dismissive of then-current concerns that resource scarcity would limit economic growth. Market incentives, they believed, provide sufficient pressures to innovate around shortages. Today, the greater challenge is not shortages but surpluses—of our waste products and of ourselves. The planet is heating up; the first big bills are coming in. What are the political incentives to respond? On this and other major public issues, faith in “the market” is unhelpful, or worse.

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What, Me Worry!?

Dismal Science, Cheerful Practitioners and the Limits to Economic Faith

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7:00-8:30 pm

Harbour Centre, 515 W. Hastings, Vancouver, Room 1400-1410

Admission is free. Please register at: <https://rosenbluthlecture.eventbrite.ca>

A reception for all attendees will follow the lecture at 8:30 pm.

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Gideon Rosenbluth was a long-time research associate with the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives and a highly respected member of the UBC economics department, and the economics community in Canada and around the world. His rigorous approach to scholarship and community involvement was guided by his commitment to social justice. Among his many roles, he was president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers and president of the Canadian Economics Association. In honour of Gideon, CCPA and UBC's Vancouver School of Economics are pleased to host the annual Gideon Rosenbluth Memorial Lecture.