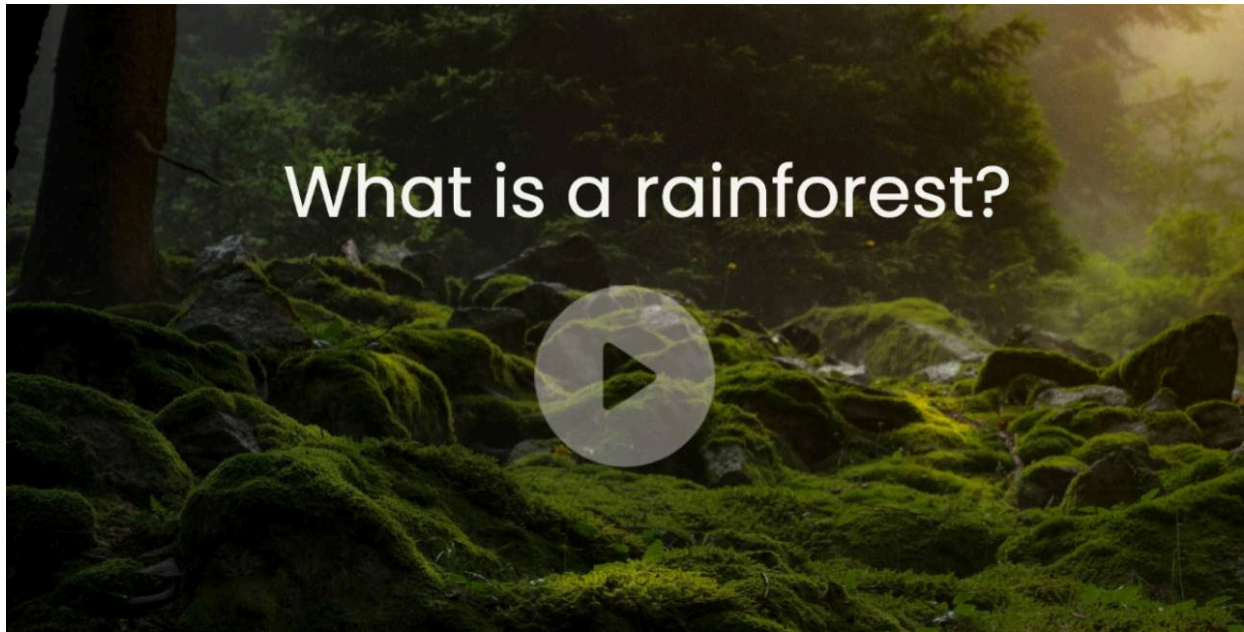




Celebrating World Rainforest Day

June

22nd marked World Rainforest Day, and to celebrate, One Earth launched a new "what is..." video series to explore and illustrate important environmental and climate topics. Our first video in this series highlights the vast beauty of rainforests and explains how important they are to the health of our global climate system.

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Featured Climate Hero

Francia Marquez

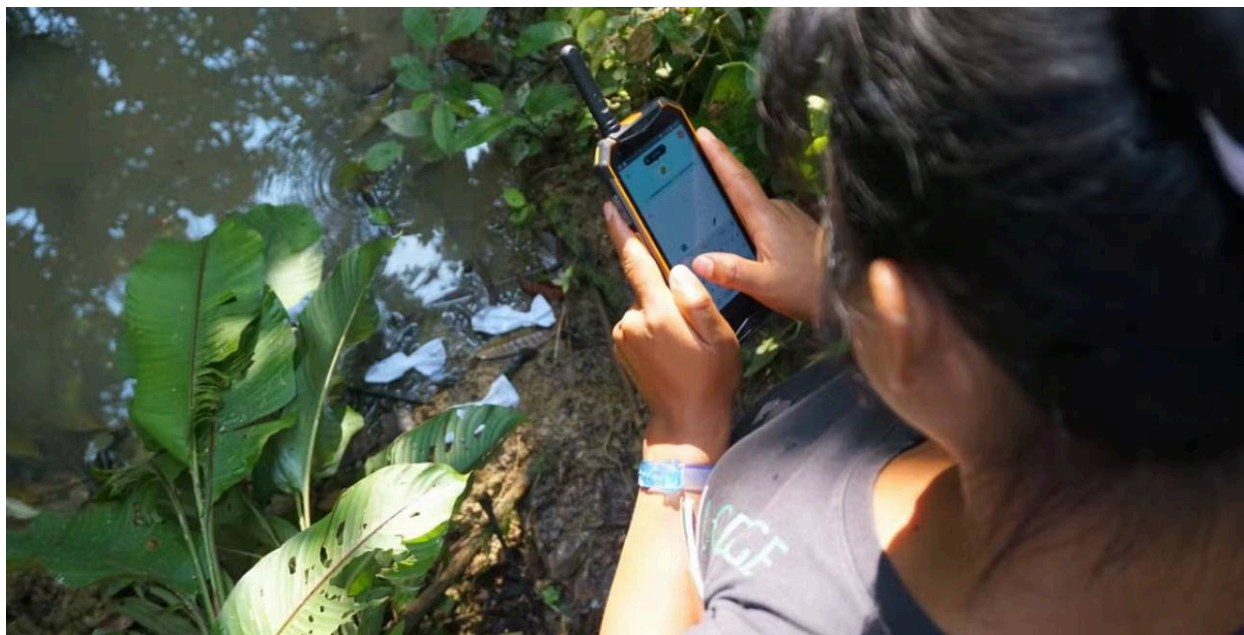
Colombia's

first Black vice president-elect, Francia Márquez, has been a local leader and activist in the Cauca region since age thirteen. In 1994, she joined a resistance movement blocking industries from diverting the sacred Ovejas river and won.

This passion continued

a decade later as she led a women's march over 350 miles to protest gold mining in the Amazon. Márquez was awarded the Goldman Environmental Prize in 2018 for her efforts.

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Featured Climate Solution Project

Strengthening Indigenous Territorial Management through Women-led Mapping Initiatives in Amazonia

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Amazon rainforest is a biodiversity hotspot and a critical biome for maintaining the global climate system. For almost a decade, Digital Democracy has worked

closely with Indigenous groups in the Amazon to support their critical efforts in protecting and defending their ancestral territories. This project will create a peer-supported network for 12 Indigenous Women Earth Defenders from at least six different communities and Indigenous Nations in their efforts to protect more than two million acres of land.

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Featured Species

Bonobos

June

is pride month, and we're celebrating queerness in the natural world. Did you know that gender identity and sexuality are wildly diverse in the plant and animal kingdoms? Take this month's featured species, the bonobo, for instance. Bonobos are great apes

found in the forests of the Congo Basin of Africa. These primates are nearly all bisexual, with female couples often forming the core of their societies. Check out our video below to learn more about other species that transcend binary sexuality and gender.

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