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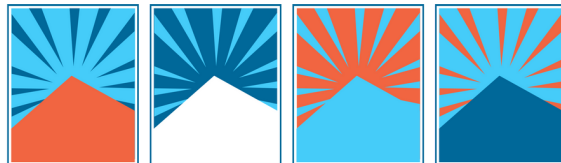
SPEAKER SESSION DESCRIPTIONS



**LEILA TEVLIN,
DAVID YANG & JULIA
DWORESTZKY**
ROADTRIPPERS

ROADTRIP NATION: EMPOWERED STATE

Roadtrip Nation's Empowered State is focused on a question many young people are asking themselves: "Can my career give me the power to save the planet?" David Yang, Julia Dworetzky, and Leila Tevlin travel across New York state, interviewing climate leaders to discover what a cleaner, brighter future can look like.



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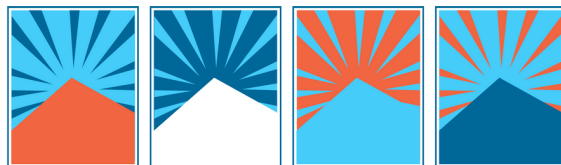
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CLIMATE CHANGE*

CLIMATE CHANGE GLOOM & BLOOM:

NYS CLIMATE ACTION AND ROLES FOR YOUTH

We will provide an overview of how climate change is unfolding (the gloom) and how New York State and local governments and our partners are responding with positive solutions (the bloom). We will look at New York State's nation-leading Climate Act and roles for youth leaders to make a difference right now.



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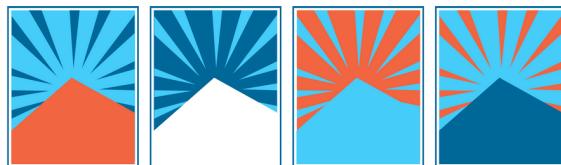
**SHAUNA
POTOCKY**

*NATIONAL
PARKS SERVICE*

A NEW HOPE:

USING OUR COLLECTIVE FORCE FOR CHANGE

National parks are great connectors—they connect people to place, place to passion, and passion to purpose. So how are national parks connected to climate change, to hope and to action? What opportunities are there for you to connect to the array of national park sites across the country? Come find out!



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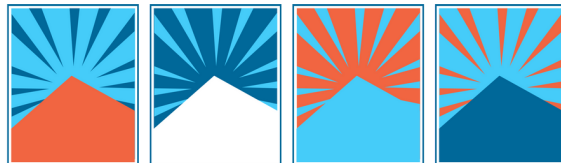
LECLERCQ

START:

EMPOWERMENT

BUILDING A NEW WORLD: LIBERATION, JOY, AND HEALING

In this session, youth activist Alexia Leclercq shares her journey from feeling disempowered, to leading national and international campaigns for climate justice. She will also focus on important history and organizing strategies that oppressed people have used to fight for liberation.



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