# 3D Printing with Bio-based Materials

Host: eSTEAM Camp at KHEPRW Institute

**Partner: Impressive Prototypes LLC** 

Indianapolis, IN

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# Agenda (9 am to 10:30 am)

- Welcome and Introductions
- Open Source Circular Economy what is it and why should you be interested in it?
- Plastic waste it's a huge problem, what can be done about it?
- 3D printing let's make sure it's a solution, not a new problem
- 3D printing what is it and how does it work
- Is it the future of local, customized manufacturing?
- Examples of products made by Impressive Prototypes
- Open source 3D printers what are they and what are their advantages
- Discussion



# Indianapolis at OSCE Days 2016

OSCEdays is an open, distributed and globally connected event.

Experts, enthusiasts and innovators from across the globe work together in order to exchange ideas and solutions – prototyping systems, products and designs for an Open Source Circular Economy.

#### Motto:

Nature does not create waste, we do.
Nature operates in circles, we operate in lines.
Nature changes slowly, we go fast.
Circular economy brings human-made systems closer to ecosystems and that's a good thing.





#### **Open Source**

is a successful collaboration method for developing

software, hardware and design. It is based on

transparent (and often distributed) development,

and the open sharing of files and solutions.



#### **Circular Economy**

is the concept of a truly sustainable economy that works

without waste, saves resources and is in synergy with the

biosphere. Rather than seeing emissions, byproducts, or

damaged and unwanted goods as 'waste', in the circular

economy they become raw material, nutrients for a new production cycle.



### **Open Source + Circular Economy**

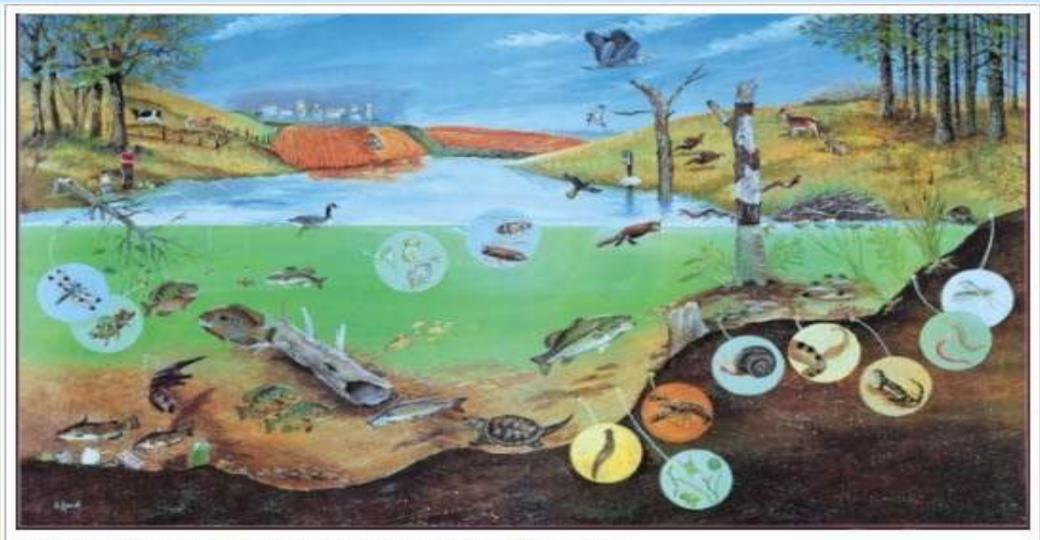
We believe that a sustainable, waste free,

circular economy needs transparency,

open access to information

and open source solutions.

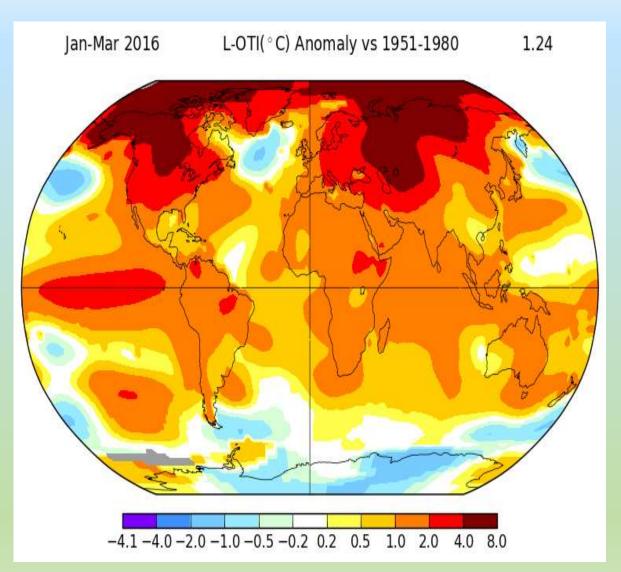


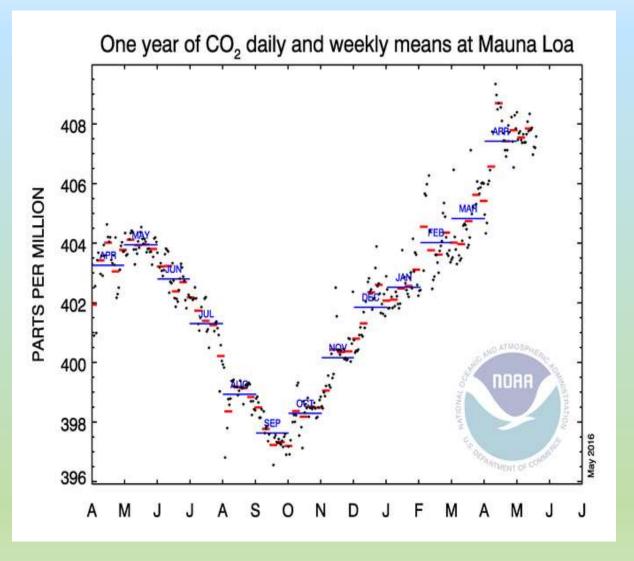


Lake ecosystem: Source: Georgia Department of Natural Resources

### Open Source Circular Economy – Why should you care?







http://data.giss.nasa.gov/gistemp/maps/

http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/ccgg/trends/weekly.html



# Plastic Waste – A Huge Problem



UC Berkeley <a href="http://www.plasticdisclosure.org/">http://www.plasticdisclosure.org/</a>





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Mouth of the Los Angeles River, Long Beach, California. Photo source: ©© Bill McDonald, Algalita Foundation / Heal The Bay



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http://plastic-pollution.org/





Local Motors Strati - an electric-powered 3D-printed car from the Factory of the Future™. https://localmotors.com/3d-printed-car/



Thermoplastics = materials that soften when heated and harden when cooled

ABS (Acylonitrile Butadiene Styrene) is an oil-based plastic NOT GOOD

PLA (Poly Lactic Acid) is made from organic material (cornstarch, sugarcane)

Bio-composite filament – plant or waste material combined with PLA BEST







**Entwined – Industrial hemp filament** 

Wound-up - Coffee waste filament

3DOM USA based in Fargo, North Dakota

http://www.3domusa.com/



Do I need that thing?

If I need it, how should it be made?

Where? By whom?

Will it last? Will it be circular?

Will it end up in a landfill or ocean or somewhere where it will do damage?

What materials will be used? Should I invent a new material?

Should I pay or ask for a fair instead of lowest price?

If I make it, will I share with others its design, how it's made? Will it be open source?

## Thank you! Let's work together to make Indy an OSCE hotspot

Join the Open Source Circular Economy Forum

http://community.oscedays.org/

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