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**Triton College Hosts Behavioral Science Colloquium and Science Lecture Series**  
*Living Within the Environment: Michael Reynolds' Earthships*

RIVER GROVE, Ill. – Triton College's Behavioral Science Department and the Science Department are collaborating to host *Living with the Environment: Michael Reynolds' Earthships*. Renowned architect Michael Reynolds will be speaking virtually on April 26, 2:30-4:30 p.m. An on-campus viewing party will be hosted in Room J-112 and the lecture can be viewed on Zoom.

Michael Reynolds, an architect based in Taos, NM, is the founder of Earthship Biotechture. His Earthship Academy educates the public on the principles of Earthships.

Philosophy faculty member Daniele Manni explained that Earthships are houses made with recycled materials that would otherwise end up in landfills. Earthships cool and heat without the use of fossil fuels. They recycle water and include a greenhouse for producing food, and produce electricity with wind and solar power.

“Mr. Reynolds will be discussing the inspiration, principles and evolution of Earthships,” said Manni.

He also added that the lecture will serve the academic interest of students and faculty in the Behavioral Science, Science, Architecture and Horticulture departments. The lecture is “interdisciplinary” and touched upon issues in ethics, environmental studies, sustainability, architecture and design, and urban agriculture. Manni feels that the colloquium is in line with Triton College’s values of “collaboration, diversity and excellence.”

Manni said he hopes students are inspired by Mr. Reynolds’ Earthships and pursue or devise a way of living “that’s more integrated with the Earth’s environment and sustainable for future human generations.”

The Behavioral Science Department and the Science Department organize a colloquium each semester. After *Michael Reynolds’ Earthships* the next lecture series will take place in the fall of 2022.

Students, faculty and staff can join the viewing party via Zoom at [zoom.us/j/93786289875](https://zoom.us/j/93786289875).

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