

Night for nature.

**Courageous Scientists Award for
Environmental and Climate Justice**

13th October 2026

6:00 pm CET

Award Ceremony · Pay as you wish 5€ or more

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8:30 pm CET

Music by Lenore Huang Trio · 18€

Porgy & Bess – Jazz & Music Club

Riemergasse 11, 1010 Vienna

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Courage begins when knowledge becomes action

They conduct research. They speak out. They take great personal risks. The **Courageous Scientists Award** honours people who turn knowledge into action and fight for justice in the face of escalating ecological & climate collapse. The nominees' identities will be revealed at the award ceremony. Until then, here's a glimpse of the actions being honoured:

AMAZON — BRAZIL

For fighting extractive and infrastructure projects that threaten the Xingu regions' rivers, forests and Indigenous territories together with "Movimento Xingu Vivo para Sempre".

OKINAWA — JAPAN

For challenging the environmental and human rights impacts of US military bases, despite repeated government prosecution.

NEW CALEDONIA

For protecting biodiversity while strengthening the role of young people & local communities in conservation together with "Gardiens Des Iles".

ETHIOPIA

For transforming urban areas into socially connected and ecologically thriving cities by drawing on local and Indigenous knowledge together with a diversity of local organizations.

NIGERIA & HONDURAS

This year, for the first time, **two Honorary Awards for Lifetime Achievement** will be presented to laureates from Nigeria & Honduras.

The award ceremony will be accompanied by **talks** with **Shoura Zehetner-Hashemi**, Executive Director of Amnesty International Austria, and **Christine Ax**, Chair of the Network for the Rights of Nature.

We look forward to celebrating the stories and courage of this year's award recipients together with you at the award ceremony!