

Joint Bio for Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim

Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim are Senior Lecturers and Research Scholars at Yale University. They teach in a master's program in religion and ecology between the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and the Divinity School. They founded and direct the Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale, which arose from a series of 10 conferences held from 1996 to 1998 at Harvard's Center for the Study of World Religions. They are series editors of the 10 volumes that were published and distributed by Harvard University Press.

Mary Evelyn is a specialist in East Asian religions, especially Confucianism. She is the author of *Moral and Spiritual Cultivation in Japanese Neo-Confucianism* (SUNY, 1989), and *The Philosophy of Qi* (Columbia University, 2007). She has also edited two volumes on *Confucian Spirituality* (Continuum, 2003, 2004) and *Confucianism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1998). She is a member of the Reischauer Institute for Japanese Studies at Harvard.

Her other books on religion and ecology include *Worldly Wonder* (Open Court, 2003) and co-edited volumes on *Buddhism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1997) and *Hinduism and Ecology* (Harvard, 2000).

John is a specialist in indigenous traditions, especially Native American religions. He is the author of *The Shaman* (University of Oklahoma, 1983) and an edited volume *Indigenous Traditions and Ecology* (Harvard, 2001). With Mary Evelyn he has edited *Worldviews and Ecology* (Orbis, 2004) and *Religion and Ecology: Can the Climate Change?* (Daedalus, 2001). Together they have written a volume titled *Ecology and Religion* (Island Press, 2014) and edited the *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Ecology* (Routledge, 2017) with Willis Jenkins.

With Brian Swimme, Tucker and Grim created a multi-media project titled *Journey of the Universe* that includes a book with Yale University Press (2011), an Emmy award winning film, and a series of *Conversations*. They are now offering online classes from Yale drawing on these materials and on the worldview of Thomas Berry who inspired *Journey of the Universe*. Together they edited *Living Cosmology: Christian Responses to Journey of the Universe* (Orbis Books, 2016).

Tucker helped Thomas Berry edit many of his essays for publication, including *The Great Work* (Random House, 1999), *Evening Thoughts* (University of California, 2006), and *The Sacred Universe* (Columbia University, 2009). Tucker and Grim published Thomas Berry's essays, *The Christian Future and the Fate of Earth* (Orbis Books, 2009) and *Selected Writings for the Earth Community* (Orbis Books, 2014). They recently published *Thomas Berry: A Biography* (Columbia University Press, 2019).

Tucker was a member of the Earth Charter Drafting Committee and the Earth Charter International Council. She won an Inspiring Yale Teaching Award in 2015.

For the last 30 years Grim has served as president of the American Teilhard Association and Tucker as Vice President.