



## Frances Moore Lappé: The Solution is on Your Plate!

2:30 p.m. Wick Student Center Social Hall

(Adapted from <http://smallplanet.org/about/frances/bio>)

Howard Zinn, author of *A People's History of the United States*, wrote about Frances Moore Lappé: "A small number of people in every generation are forerunners, in thought, action, spirit, who swerve past the barriers of greed and power to hold a torch high for the rest of us. Lappé is one of those."

Some of the twentieth century's most vibrant activist thinkers have been American women—Margaret Mead, Jeanette Rankin, Barbara Ward, Dorothy Day—who took it upon themselves to pump life into basic truths. Frances Moore Lappé is among them.  
— *The Washington Post*

Frances Moore Lappé certainly is all that. Her books cover topics about world hunger, living democracy, and the environment. Her first book *Diet for a Small Planet* (1971) sold 3 million copies and changed the way America eats. Since then she has authored or co-authored an additional 17 books. These have been translated into 15 languages and are used in university courses. She has been featured on many television shows. She is contributing editor at Yes! Magazine and her articles have appeared in many nationally known journals.

In 1987 Frances received an "Alternative Nobel" - The Right Livelihood Award for her writings on the political and economic causes of world hunger and how citizens can help to remedy them. In 2008 she received the James Beard Foundation Humanitarian of the Year Award for her lifelong impact on how the people all over the world think about food, nutrition, and agriculture. In 2009 she received the Outstanding Public Scholar Award. She is the recipient of 18 honorary doctorates from distinguished institutions.

Frances is a founding member of the World Future Council based in Hamburg, Germany. She serves on the National Advisory Board of the Union of Concerned Scientists, on the International Board of Advisors of Grassroots International and on the Value Meal Advisory Board of Corporate Accountability International. She is member of the Sisters on the Planet Network, which is part of Oxfam America. Frances is the cofounder of three organizations, including Oakland based think tank Food First and, more recently, the Small Planet Institute which she leads with her daughter Anna Lappé. Frances and her daughter have also cofounded the Small Planet Fund, which channels resources to democratic social movements worldwide.

We are honored and thrilled to have Frances Moore Lappé address WOYP audience!