

# THE BORNEO PROJECT



## It's two weeks until the Borneo Project 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party!

Come and celebrate 20 years of supporting indigenous communities in their fight for land rights and against the destruction of the natural environment in Borneo! Join us for a Borneo-themed dinner and drinks, music and images from Borneo, beautiful Borneo handicrafts and arts, and more. Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, in Kensington (just north of Berkeley), CA.

[Click here for more information about the party and to RSVP Now](#)



## The News From Borneo

**Breaking News: Logging Road Blockade Ongoing at Borneo Project Partner Community:** On Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, communities from Long Kawi and Ba Abang (the location of one of our preschools!) set a blockade in the logging road to prevent further destruction of their rainforests. [Click here to read more about their fight.](#)

**Baram Dam Put on Hold (for now):** Following strong opposition from neighboring communities, the Baram Dam has been put on hold! This dam threatens 389 sq km (38,900 hectares), and over 20,000 indigenous people. [Click here to read more about this victory.](#)

**Land Rights Victory in Sarawak:** In another win for land rights lawyer Baru Bian, the High Court in Sabah and Sarawak has declared illegal the logging licence issued by the Forest Department of Sarawak which covered native customary rights (NCR) lands in Krian, Sarawak. [Click here to read more about their success.](#)



## Project Events and Updates

This has been an exciting month of party prep, moving forward with indigenous-language children's books, and hiring interns. We had a lovely event with poet and anthropologist Nathaniel Tarn, who shared some of his experiences in Borneo, as well a poem inspired by his trip to the region. Thank you, Nathaniel!

We also had a presence at the *Earth Island Institute's Brower Youth Awards*, where we engaged kids and grown-ups alike with [our rainforest photo petition](#) (nothing people like more than having their pictures taken with an orangutan or proboscis monkey!)

Do you have *auction items for the silent auction at the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party*? Last chance to support the Borneo Project through donations of Borneo arts and crafts, photographs, wine, gift certificates, etc. Email [brihannala@borneoproject.org](mailto:brihannala@borneoproject.org) if you have items to donate!

Remember, as always, that the Borneo Project is funded entirely by donors like yourself. [Please help us to continue to make sure that we can support communities fighting for their rights in Borneo, and donate now.](#)



Warmly yours,

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P.S. The Borneo Project 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party is really going to be great. [RSVP now; spots are limited.](#)

