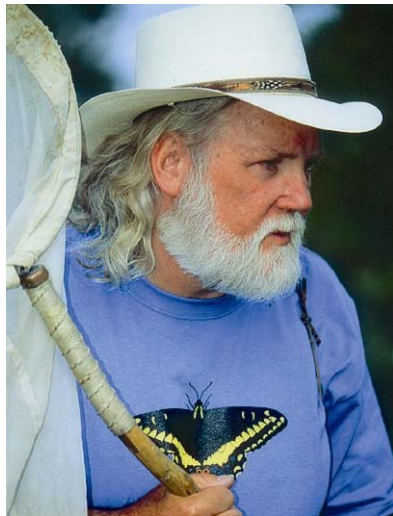


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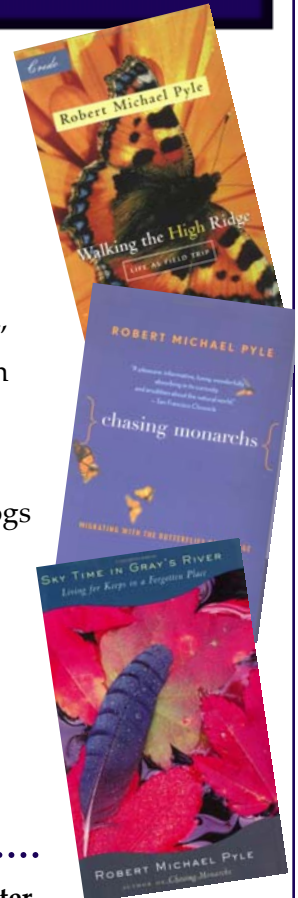
### Dr. Robert Michael Pyle

#### *Frogs, Forts, and Fritillaries: The Real World as Antidote to the Extinction of Experience*

Robert Michael Pyle – butterfly expert, writer and educator -- discusses the disconnect between young people and formative experiences in nature. Adding to Richard Louv's diagnosis of Nature Deficit Disorder in children, Pyle talks about the "Extinction of Experience." His message: People become increasingly alienated from nature and apathetic to conservation when common elements of diversity become extinct within humanity's easy reach. This phenomenon can be reversed by reinstating deep real world experiences like catching frogs and chasing fritillaries, says Pyle, who offers to show "how getting our feet back on the ground and our heads in the leafy skies can bring us all back home."

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*Robert Michael Pyle is an award-winning writer, independent biologist and distinguished alumnus of Yale University's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. He has authored 15 books -- including Wintergreen, The Thunder Tree and Chasing Monarchs -- and the Audubon Society's Field Guide to North American Butterflies. He won the 2007 National Outdoor Book Award for natural history literature.*



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**Florida Atlantic University's Jupiter Campus** ♦ 5353 Parkside Drive, Jupiter  
**Wednesday, October 22, 2008** ♦ Lecture 7:00 pm  
♦ Reception, book signing and sales after the lecture ♦  
**Administration Building Auditorium, AD 119**

This lecture is free and open to the public. An RSVP is appreciated.  
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