## 2013 - BLS Youth CAN 7th Annual Summit @ MIT



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WHEN: Sat. May 4, 2013 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 WHERE: MIT Stata Center, 32 Vassar Street, Cambridge - 2 blocks from Kendall Redline Online Registration opens April 19, 2013

## Over 70 schools. Event FREE - Breakfast & Lunch Included REGISTER EARLY TO GET THE WORKSHOPS YOU WANT! Youth Summit on Climate & Sustainability: WORLD WATER!

This year's Summit theme is world water. BLS Youth CAN students have partnered with students at Acton-Boxborough and Greenovate Boston to offer an exciting selection of speakers, workshops, activities, & exhibits focusing on world water.



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Student organizers are delighted that **SPEAKERS**, City of Boston Energy Chief, **Brian Swett** (welcome), State Senator, **Jamie Eldridge** (Massachusetts Bottle Bill & legislative update) will be attending! We also hope that **invited guest**, **actor MATT DAMON (keynote)** will be able to join us. Matt Damon is co-founder of Water.org If Mr. Damon attends, he will be presented with donations from YouthCAN's regional fundraiser *Saving Water Rocks* to benefit Water.org "For only \$25, Water.org can bring someone access to clean water for life." The fundraiser is happening in conjunction with Earth Day, the United Nations Year of International Water Cooperation. All Summit attendees are encouraged to participate. Download materials @ <u>http://www.blsyouthcan.org/BLS\_Youth\_C.A.N./Water.html</u>

The Summit will feature several **YOUTH ACTIONS** such as a whole group public service announcement about water, hopefully with Matt Damon in it; regional groundwater mapping; design charrettes focused on a rooftop classroom focused on water issues that's slated to be part of the Shared Green Roof; an event mural to support *Glacierworks*, and more. **WORKSHOPS** will address the global fresh water crisis, water policy, advocacy, access and cost, sanitation issues, climate change, consumption issues, the food industry, and youth-led sustainability efforts related to water. **Invited workshop PRESENTERS** include: Corporate Accountability International, GroundwaterGo, United Hydroponics, MIT, Beehive Design Collective, Massachusetts Water Resource Authority, Environmental Protection Agency, National Wildlife Federation, Save the Harbor Save the Bay, New England Aquarium and more. **ACTIVITIES** Include a free photo booth, blind taste tests of tap vs bottled water, street theater, face painting, music, door prizes, and more. More than 30 **EXHIBITORS** will set up booths for students and educators to visit. **Make sure to register online and download the release form so you can bring it signed to the Summit. We need the releases for filming the commercial**.