

Your letters for Tuesday, May 1



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Suzuki is always peddling the apocalypse

Re: "Doctor of hypocrisy degree for Suzuki," Letter, April 26.

David Suzuki is an opportunistic fear-monger, and has been since the '70s, when he frightened little children about the next ice age, which, of course, as grownups, we still await.

Evidently, being a fruit fly geneticist didn't pay as well as being an apocalyptic boogey man. Suzuki is simply a 21st century fire-and-brimstone evangelist. He's found a modern way to hawk the always-impending apocalypse.

Honouring his kind dishonours all students and financial supporters of the University of Alberta, as it disgraces the academy itself.

Moreover, to do so in the name of some half-baked notion that the U of A is supporting "diverse points of view" only compounds the moral and intellectual bankruptcy of the decision.

Suzuki seeks to stifle debate, not promote it. He's the antithesis of intellectual honesty and academic freedom.

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