2016 Food Sovereignty Prize Ceremony and Encounter
Planting the Seeds of International Solidarity
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As an alternative to the World Food Prize, the 8th Annual Food Sovereignty Prize awarded to the Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa and Farmworkers Association of Florida.

The ceremony opened with stories from Roger Fernandes, of the S’Klallam Indians, sharing about the connection to food to our ancestors, our people, and those yet to come. After a keynote by John Peck of Family Farm Defenders, the 2016 recipients were awarded, both giving enthusiastic and powerful remarks. Elvira Carvajal on behalf of Farmworker Association of Florida, and Bern Guri on behalf of Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa.

Corporate Domination
In a time of increasing corporate domination of agriculture, nutrition, and food systems worldwide, as seen by the recent $66 billion proposed merger of Bayer and Monsanto, the strength and visibility of the global movement for food sovereignty becomes ever more important. In the US, farmworkers continue to struggle for better working conditions, living wages, and dignity; poor, working-class, and people of color continue to organize for food justice and access; and advocates of family and small farmers continue to push for fairer policies.

Onward, Together!