

# Rex Murphy to Headline Oil Sands Trade Show

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They call it “Rex Appeal.”

Rex Murphy, Canada’s outspoken author and journalist will headline the keynote luncheon at the newly revamped [Oil Sands Trade Show & Conference](#) on September 12. The world’s ultimate gathering of the oil sands industry since 1985, the Show will run September 11 & 12 at Suncor Community Leisure Centre in Fort McMurray.

Rex’s views on the energy industry, in particular oil sands, have rattled eco-minded oil and gas advocates, yet united the working industry in Alberta. As Rex says it via *The National Post*, “No other state or province, and no other single project has borne the weight of calumny and accusation as have Alberta and the oil sands. No campaigns against projects in China, India, the Middle East, the U.S. or Latin America have been of even near duration or intensity as their relentless crusade against Fort McMurray. The oil sands are as a pinprick in the world’s energy production, yet as the eco-Furies paint them, they are Armageddon’s launch pad.”

It seems fitting then, that the world’s largest gathering of oil sands industry professionals should have Rex speak at the [Oil Sands Trade Show Keynote Luncheon](#) on September 12 at Suncor Community Leisure Centre. It’s perfect timing for the industry to rally together to discuss the direction and possibilities for the industry.

“It has been a tough number of years for the oil sands industry, perhaps we are turning the page for a better, sustainable future” says Wes Scott, President & CEO of Oil Sands Trade Show & Conference organizer, [EventWorx](#). “With the pipeline future pending, and the uphill battles that are being fought, it’s time the industry had an opportunity to gather together in a like-minded manner. Rex Murphy is a much-needed advocate that we are excited to share with the oil sands community.”

A trusted face and voice across Canadian media, Rex Murphy’s intellect and biting humour strike through the heart of profound political and social issues. Currently he writes and reports for CBC’s *The National* and is a columnist in the *National Post*. In this inspiring keynote luncheon presentation on September 12, Rex highlights the importance of the resource industries to this country’s economy and society. He will share some of his second-hand experience with mining in Newfoundland to show the benefits of moving towards modern technology. Rex argues that we need to have a more balanced view on the resource industries, a domain which provides the essential elements of civilization.

Tickets to see Rex Murphy live at [Oil Sands Trade Show & Conference](#) on Thursday, September 12 are available for purchase at [oilsandstradeshow.com](#).

Rex Murphy is one of many new keynote speakers being featured at the Oil Sands Trade Show and Conference that has been reimagined for 2018. The event will run workshops on Monday, September 10, with two days of business and technical conferences and exhibition of 250 exhibiting companies on September 11 & 12, plus two evenings of unique networking opportunities.

Readers of EnergyNow, oil sands industry professionals and executives can register for a free pass to the exhibition until August 31, online at [oilsandstradeshow.com](#), using the discount code **OST2988**.