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Cover by Amelia Budd. The activist Dot Fisher-Smith in front of "Beginnings", a 440-year-old Douglas fir tree that was cut down in Oregon in spring 2003. Forest defenders used it for touring the communities of Cascadia and rising awareness for how the US government and logging companies are managing the last wild areas on public lands.

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My friends' deaths have led me to contemplate my own mortality, and how it's a miracle that any of us are still alive in this human-mutated world of asphalt and lies. As much as I grieve my loss, I realize that it is nothing compared to the extinction of entire species, which is what the planet is facing today. It's nothing compared to entire native cultures being displaced in the name of "progress."

— Yael

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- The Feminization of Earth First! by Judi Bari http://historyisaweapon.com/defcon1/barifemef.html

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