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*the Colorado River & the West*

You can explore the river through  
films & lectures with discussions  
panel discussions  
slide presentations  
a youth program &  
a lobby exhibit  
during April 2002

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# Program Guide

All events are FREE  
and take place in the 3rd floor auditorium  
at Central Library  
except where otherwise noted.

Wednesday, April 3, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

## **The Ecosystem and the Delta** Panel Discussion

The Colorado River travels through seven western states before passing through Mexico and into the Sea of Cortez, 1700 miles later. Learn about issues concerning the ecology of the last leg of the river's meandering journey, the delta that so many in the San Diego region regard for agriculture, industry and recreation. Panel: David Czamanske, Sierra Club; Chris Harris, Colorado River Board of California; David Hogan, Center for Biological Diversity; Stuart Hurlbert, Ph.D., Professor of Biology, San Diego State University. Moderator: Phillip Pryde, Ph.D., San Diego State University.

Saturday, April 6, 2002, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## **Institutions and Politics of the Colorado River** Lecture and Discussion

Although we may just think of water as a commodity to sell, buy and transport, water has a close connection to self-determination and opportunity, giving rise to matters of fairness. Riparian issues, motives and conflicts regarding the Colorado River are among the issues comprising this discussion presented by Helen Ingram, Ph.D., Professor of Social Ecology, University of California, Irvine and Drew, Chace and Erin Warmington Chair in the Social Ecology of Peace and International Cooperation.

Sunday, April 7, 2002, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## **Cadillac Desert, Part One-Mulholland's Dream** Film and Discussion

Based on the book by Marc Reisner, this film relates the story of the quest for water and the role it played in the transformation of the American West. Discussion facilitated by Theodore Strathman, Department of History, University of California, San Diego.

Wednesday, April 10, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

## **The River We Know** Lecture and Discussion

The Colorado River may carry an aura of familiarity to many people in the greater San Diego region, but there's still more to know. Learn about the river through an engaging lecture and discussion presented by Jack Simes, External Coordination Group Manager, Yuma Area Office, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

Tuesday, April 16, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**The Story of the Imperial Valley-San Diego Water Transfer** Panel Discussion

Robert Campbell, Executive Assistant to the General Manager, County Water Authority; David Czamanske, Sierra Club; David Hogan, Center for Biological Diversity; Andy Horne, Imperial Valley Irrigation District; Diana Hull, Ph.D., Californians for Population Stabilization; Gerald R. Zimmerman, Executive Director, Colorado River Board of California. Moderator: Marguerite S. Strand, Esq. (Environmental Law, Water Law), Partner at Best Best and Krieger.

Sunday, April, 21, 2002, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Chinatown** Film and Discussion

A Los Angeles private eye takes on a simple case in 1937 and burrows into the investigation until it leads to a murder and public scandal. Based on the Owens Valley Water Scandal. Discussion facilitated by Theodore Strathman, Department of History, University of California, San Diego.

Tuesday, April 23, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**Dreams of a Big City: Water Politics and San Diego County Growth** Lecture and Discussion

How often have you heard that San Diego is nothing but a piece of irrigated, coastal-desert real estate? Learn about the politics which allowed a city to grow in a climate averaging less than *ten* inches of rain per year. Discussion facilitated by Theodore Strathman, Department of History, University of California, San Diego.

Wednesday, April 24, 2002, 10:30 am - 11:30 am in the Children's Room, Central Library

**The Magic of Water** Youth Program

Kids can learn what they can to prevent water pollution with an exciting interactive model. This program is geared for children grades 3-5. For class reservations please call (619) 236-5838, the Children's Room of the Central Library.

Wednesday, April 24, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**What will be the fate of the Salton Sea?** Panel Discussion

It was created by the failure of irrigation structures from the Colorado River in the early 1900s, but became one of California's largest inland bodies of water, with a surface area about 450 square miles. Though it supported tourism once threatening to rival that of Palm Springs and a thriving ecosystem, the Salton Sea is now in decline. Panel: Fred Cagle, Sierra Club and Audubon Society; Mike Cohen, Pacific Institute for Studies in Development, Environment and Security; Stuart Hurlbert, Ph.D., San Diego State University; Tom Kirk, Salton Sea Authority. Moderator: Tony Perry, Los Angeles Times.

Thursday, April 25, 2002, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

**The Salton Sea** Slide Presentation

A survey of the Salton Sea through postcards presented by Professor Carol Hann, Imperial Valley College.

Sunday, May 5, 2002, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Dripping Dry: Literature, Politics and Water in the Desert Southwest** Author Discussion

Author David N. Cassuto, Ph.D., J.D. will discuss his book, which uses *Animal Dreams*, *The Monkey Wrench Gang*, *The Grapes of Wrath* and *The Ford* to demonstrate how myth from western literature, greatly influenced by the scarcity of water, helped create water policy during the 20<sup>th</sup> century, linking literature to both the environment and politics.