

*Big Muddy Speaker Series:*

# No Longer Estranged: A History of Urban Rivers

With a Special Focus on the Missouri River - Kansas City Relationship



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Many of our cities were founded on the banks of major rivers. Once they were highways connecting our communities to each other, our rivers became neglected dumping grounds as our cities turned their backs on them, embracing a future of railroads and then highways.

Kansas City is a good example of how cities are beginning to remember the important resource these rivers are for their identity, history and health.

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FREE & open to the public!

**Wednesday,  
March 13**

**6:00 p.m. Social Hour  
7:00 p.m. Presentation**

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