

You are invited to a Day of Discussion on
Extreme Weather and Inequality



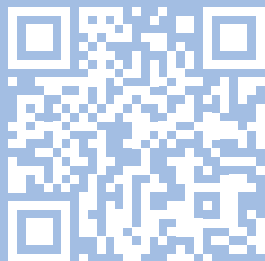
September 28, 2017, after Hurricane Harvey. AP Photo/David Goldman

What do Southeast Texans think? And what do we do?

Beaumont—Port Arthur—Jefferson County

**Saturday,
November 5,
2022**
from 9 to 5
Mary and John Gray
Library, 8th floor,
Lamar U.
Beaumont, Texas

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Extreme Weather and Inequality

Residing on the imperiled coast and within a global hub of petrochemical production, the region's diverse and economically vulnerable population will bear a disproportionate burden. This conference brings together community leaders, business members, scholars, and other stakeholders who seek to amplify local voices and advance solutions toward a sustainable and equitable future.

speakers from
across campus
and community



The Ancient to the Future Project works to tackle inequality and climate crisis by combining and amplifying local voices.

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS TO DATE

Abdul Alkalimat, Professor Emeritus of African American Studies and Information Sciences, U. of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
Kaitlin Bain, Editor, Beaumont Enterprise
John Beard, Founder and Director, Port Arthur Community Action Network (PACAN)
Dr. Jimmy Bryan, Professor of History and Director of the Center for History and Culture of Southeast Texas and the Upper Gulf Coast, Lamar U.
Ellen Buchanan, Co-Founder, Big Thicket Natural Heritage Trust
Rev. Michael Cooper, President, Beaumont N.A.A.C.P.
Jeff Darby, VP for District 2 of the Texas AFL-CIO; President, Sabine Area Central Labor Council
Vernon Durden, President Emeritus, 100 Black Men of Greater Beaumont
Judy Linsley, former director of the Center for History and Culture of Southeast Texas and the Upper Gulf Coast, Lamar U., and local historian
Dr. Joseph J. Majdalani, General Manager, Drainage District 6
Meekie Moseley, President, United Steel Workers Local 13-243
Paula O'Neal, former executive director, Some Other Place
WolBah Alex Perez (Strong Wind), tribal linguist/cultural advisor, Karankawa Kadla
Dr. Jim Sanderson, Professor and Chair, English department, Lamar U., and novelist
Fred Vernon, CEO and Founder, KLV Ventures
Dr. David Willard, Dean of Students, All Saints Episcopal School; Commissioner, Port of Beaumont
Dave H. Williams, retired investment manager
Kate Williams, Associate Professor of Information Sciences, U. of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
Barbara Wilson, Owner, BAW Resale
Dr. Margot Gage Witvliet, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Interim Assistant Director of the Center for History and Culture of Southeast Texas and the Upper Gulf Coast, Lamar U.
Staffperson, National Weather Service Lake Charles Field Office