

Colorado River Basin History Symposium – Presentation Index

The CRBHS was held in Kanab, Utah, at the Kanab Center on October 13-16, 2021. This all-volunteer event had over 150 registered attendees who enjoyed 34 presentations all related to the history of the Colorado River Basin. There were three keynote evening presenters, twelve featured presenters with 40-minute sessions and nineteen presenters with 20-minute sessions. This index is in the order that presentations were given.

Each video has the audio of the presenter linked to a high-quality version of their power point visuals and text displays. At the beginning is the biography of the speaker. In five presentations there are several authors noted but the biography is only for those speaking. One presentation has two speakers so both biographies are shown. The introduction of the presenters is not included in the video with the exception of the first Keynote where the introduction was relevant to the movie shown. Use the pause to read a biography or presentation text. Most videos do not have a presenter image. To view: <http://grandcanyonhistory.org/coloradoriverbasinhistorysymposium.html>

CRBHS Thursday – Oct 14th, 2021

Video File #1 - Presenter Al LeCount (Time 19:10)

The Grand Canyon's Uncle Jimmy Owens - A North Rim Legend

Al tells the wonderful history of the famed mountain lion hunter, who helped save the buffalo and was the subject of Zane Grey's book *Roping Lions in the Grand Canyon*.

Video File #2 - Featured Presenter Brad Dimock (Time 39:48)

Wood Boats, White Water: 150 years of Innovation, Importation, and Adaptation

Beginning with Powell, Brad explains how river runners pursued the perfect riverboat. To understand this 150-year river evolution, Brad and others replicated, rowed, and evaluated these historic boats.

Video File #3 Presenter Frank M. Barrios (Time 19:33)

Central Arizona Project – To the Last Drop

The 1922 Colorado River Compact; Hoover and Glen Canyon Dams; California, Nevada, and Mexico using Arizona's allocation; two proposed Grand Canyon dams, law suits, etc. Frank explains it all!

Video File #4 Featured Presenter Tim Hauck (Time 36:40)

Saving the Condor: 25 Years of Recovery Efforts

Ever seen a California condor? After Tim's presentation, you are going to love this big ugly bird, praise those who saved the condor from extinction and hope to see more.

Video File #5 Presenter Peter M. Brown & Tom Martin (Non-speaking) (Time 15:47)

Before Powell? A Journey Through the Grand Canyon on a Tule Reed Boat

Navajo and Hopi have legends of floating the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon. Peter built a tule reed boat and rowed it every mile and every rapid. Before Powell . . . you decide!

Video File #6 Presenter Amanda Podmore (Time 20:01)

Pathways to Safeguard the Lower Little Colorado River from Current & Future Dam Proposals

The Little Colorado River has been targeted for various dams in recent years. Amanda presents pathways to defend against future locally undesired dams and safeguard the lower LCR for future generations.

Video File #7 Presenter Richard Quartaroli (Time 21:12)

John Wesley Powell, Jacob Hamblin, and "a Mormon map"

Richard discusses what information might Powell have gleaned from this "manuscript" and what other information might have been obtained from Jacob Hamblin if they had met prior to 1869.

Video File #8 Featured Presenter Susan Bingham (Time 38:59)

Artist Maynard Dixon - Lifelong Passion for Roaming the West

Susan tells of young Dixon who became an Old West illustrator and emerged with his own incomparable images characterized by the qualities of clarity, honesty, and, of course, beauty.

Video File #9 Presenter **Cindy Stafford** (Time 18:34)

Submerged Memories: Dick Sprang Recalls Hite Ferry

Using recorded Dick Sprang memories, Cindy focuses on some of the history of the area, the dedication of the Hite Ferry, discusses local characters and first visitors to the “Defiance House.”

Video File #10 Presenter **Amy Horn** (Time 18:49)

(Note: Due to illness, co-worker Kim Spurr to give Amy's presentation.)

Looking Back: Reverse Archaeology in Glen Canyon

A century ago, the Bernheimer Expedition first explored canyons in what now is the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. Learn why archaeologists are returning and what this look back means today.

Video File #11 Featured Presenter **Gary Ladd** (Time 25:05)

Remembering Lake Powell

Landscape photographer, writer, and a frequent contributor to *Arizona Highways* magazine, Gary shows and reflects on his amazing images connected to Lake Powell, Glen Canyon Dam, and nearby area.

Video File #12 Keynote Presenter **Cody Perry** (Time 1:27:40)

(Note: introduction by Jessica Flock is part of video file being a trip participant.)

Powell 150

The 2019 Sesquicentennial Colorado River Exploring Expedition retraced Powell's 1869 discovery trip. Cody Perry's wonderful film captures the beauty, adventure, and changes in the Colorado River Basin.

CRBHS Friday – Oct 15th, 2021

Video File #13 Presenter **Jack Pongyesva** (Time 20:40)

Culture of Character on Colorado River: Ripples of Reverence from Simple Actions

Jack discusses how Native communities value the Grand Canyon and its sacredness with the desire that all people stay respectful, reverent, and responsible during river trips.

Video File #14 Presenters **Matt Brown & Dirk Clayson (Non-speaking)** (Time 18:32)

Historic Parry Lodge, a Step Back in Time

In the center of Kanab is Parry Lodge. Matt's personal history at this landmark facility explains what it has meant to Hollywood film stars, tourists, and generations of local residents.

Video File #15 Featured Presenter **Cecelia Mortenson** (Time 36:51)

Big Water Runners of the Colorado River – A Granddaughter's Perspective

Cece shares the video story of 1950s Colorado River runners on the highest water ever run; about replicating these early river boats and her rowing the replica of her grandfather's boat.

Video File #16 Presenter **Paul Bingham** (Time 19:01)

Jack Hillers and His Travels With John Wesley Powell Among the People in the Paiute Nation

Jack Hillers was the photographer on Powell's second expedition and took amazing photos of the Southern Paiute tribes. Paul shares and explains this photographic history made almost 150 years ago.

Video File #17 Presenter **David E. Purcell** (Time 20:28)

The Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad & the Establishment of Arches National Monument

Popular accounts say miner Alexander Ringhoffer visited “Arches” and first advocated for protection. David gives research that a train passenger traffic manager and a photographer are why it happened.

Video File #18 Featured Presenter **Richard Jenkinson** (Time 34:27)

Highlights of Rock Art of the Colorado River Basin

Richard shows his favorite commonly known rock-art images in the Colorado River Basin. No theories or analysis, just great rock art. Some images have been enhanced that are amazing.

Video File #19 Featured Presenter Jack Schmidt (Time 35:30)

The Future of the Colorado River

A tough assignment to explain the Colorado River's future but Jack's presentation reflects his 30-year studies of processes and conditions of the Colorado River. Clearly and logically, Jack gives his forecast.

Video File #20 Presenter Kern Nuttall (Time 18:20)

Lee's Ferry Cemetery: P. T. Reilly Leaves His Mark

The cemetery at Lee's Ferry consists of 20 graves placed between 1874 and 1933. Kern tells how historian Pat Reilly researched and identified three unknown graves and placed stone markers.

Video File #21 Presenter Helen Howard (Time 19:59)

Amazing River Birds of the Lower Colorado River Basin

Helen's lower Colorado knowledge and love of the birds is clear. Her images show the lower river diversity representing half of the bird species found in the lower 48 states.

Video File #22 Presenter Harvey Leake (Time 22:00)

The Early Fight for Glen Canyon and the Rainbow Plateau

The late 1920s began efforts to create a massive Navajo National Park. Harvey's great-grandfather John Wetherill worked hard but failed. Learn what was done and the reasons for this past failure.

Video File #23 Featured Presenter Alan Titus (Time 40:33)

Paleontology of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

Alan's description of the geology we all see is clearly explained and highlighted by showing lifeforms of that era, such as a horned dinosaur *Nasutoceratops titusi*. Yes, named after Alan.

Video File #24 Keynote Presenter Laurie Algar (Time 1:03:51)

Disney Legend James Algar's 43 years with Walt Disney as Animator, Director, Producer, and Writer

James Algar was the producer of *Ten Who Dared*, a movie about Powell's historic run down the Colorado River and he directed *The Grand Canyon Suite*, which won an Oscar for Disney.

CRBHS Saturday – Oct 16th, 2021

Video File #25 Presenter Arnie Richards (Time 17:13)

(Note: Advancement device had issues, not Arnie.)

The Separation Party – Which Way Did They Go?

Research has "field" work. Arnie did his in Separation Canyon and its rim. Researching what difficulties were encountered; boxed-in canyons, failed routes, water availability at the rim, and how they died?

Video File #26 Presenters Craig Schellback & Traci Wyrick (Time 19:50)

Life and Work along the Colorado; Hydrographer Dean Tidball's River Basin Story

Brother and sister tell about their grandfather working 9 years as a hydrographer in the 1950s at remote Bright Angel and Lees Ferry and of family life based on letters.

Video File #27 Featured Presenters Matthew Toro & Remi Tuiji-Goode (Non-speaking) (26:29)

Visualizing the Survey: Plans and Profiles of the Colorado River

Between 1902 and 1923, USGS teams surveyed long sections of the Colorado River. Using multimedia, Matthew visually dissects these beautiful survey sheets while contextualizing their historical and geographical significance.

Video File #28 Presenters Jerry Snow & Ken Ives (Non-speaking) (Time 18:56)

Letters from the Colorado River Ives Expedition of 1857-1858

Jerry's focus: Ives wrote 51 letters to his wife Cora while on his exploration.

"Cora, As for the horrid old Colorado, I am perfectly disgusted with it ..."

Video File #29 Presenter **Kimberly Spurr & David E. Purcell (Non-speaking)** (Time 20:11)

Atomic Legacy: Impacts of Uranium Mining on Colorado Plateau National Park Service Units

Kim covers how uranium prospecting opened the land to explorers and exploiters; incursions into the park lands; ore processing issues on riverbanks; and how toxic scars cover untrammelled wilderness.

Video File #30 Featured Presenter **Ed Meyer** (Time 39:16)

Zane Grey and the Colorado River Basin

Zane Grey is known for best-selling westerns. He was the most commercially successful American author of the 1920s. Ed will talk about the real people that became his book characters.

Video File #31 Featured Presenter **Marcia Thomas** (Time 40:09)

Emma Dean – Not the Boat

Marcia's focus is on Emma's younger years, such as when she and with their baby support her husband's work in Kanab. She also focuses on Emma after they all moved to Washington, D.C.

Video File #32 Presenter **Robin Stuart** (Time 19:11)

Astronomical Observations of the 1869 Powell Expedition through Grand Canyon

Powell's discovery trip included celestial equipment, but loss of all working chronometers greatly limited his ability to determine longitude. Robin explains how he determined his longitude and if he was correct.

Video File #33 Featured Presenter **Greg Hatten** (Time 38:59)

Running Wild and Scenic Rivers in a Wooden Boat... WHY?

From Missouri, Greg towed his replica Martin Litton dory for the boat display. But first he drove via Oregon to run this Colorado River boat on its most technical NW river. See why!

Video File #34 Keynote Presenter **Wayne Ranney** (Time 39:01)

Going With the Flow: The Strange and Twisted Path of the Colorado River Through Time

Wayne discusses the river's evolution and evidence that informs our understanding of its history.