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Registration before March 31, 2004: \$50; Onsite registration: \$60; Students with ID: \$15.

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*Backyard, Bayou and Beyond*

**A Watershed Management Symposium**

*Learn more about what you can do  
to improve local water quality  
and reduce flooding*

**April 7, 2004**  
**Jerabeck Activity Center**  
**University of St. Thomas**

## PURPOSE

Provide information and resources to reduce flooding and improve water quality in Houston neighborhoods.

## GOALS

Increase awareness of the role that localized topography and vegetation can play in reducing flooding and improving water quality.

Provide techniques and planning tools to mitigate local flooding and improve water quality.

Explore how to use and/or modify the existing institutional framework to improve watershed management at the local level.

## DATE AND LOCATION

Wednesday, April 7, 2004

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

University of St. Thomas  
Jerabeck Activity Center  
4000 Mt. Vernon Street  
Houston, TX 77006

## HOST ORGANIZATIONS

Bayou Preservation Association • Buffalo Bayou Partnership • Galveston Bay Estuary Program, a program of the TCEQ • Houston-Galveston Area Council • Texas Cooperative Extension/Texas Sea Grant • The Trust for Public Land • University of St. Thomas

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## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- 8:00 – 8:30 **Registration**
- 8:30 – 9:00 **Welcome/Opening Remarks** David Parkhill, Bayou Preservation Association, Houston, TX  
**Overview of Current Conditions** Kevin Shanley, SWA Group, Houston, TX
- 9:00 – 9:30 **Water: A Time and Place, Keynote Address**  
Sim Van der Ryn, Van der Ryn Architects, Sausalito, CA
- 9:30 – 10:00 *Break*
- 10:00 – 12:00 **What To Do At Home & In My Neighborhood (Concurrent Sessions)**
- Session A – My Home**  
**Cisterns** Billy Kniffen, Menard County Extension, Menard, TX  
**Native Plant & Bog Garden Landscaping** Chris LaChance, Texas Cooperative Extension, Houston, TX  
**Permeable Pavement** Dana Easley, Houston Advanced Research Center, The Woodlands, TX  
**Improving Soil Permeability** John Jacob, Texas Cooperative Extension, Houston, TX
- Session B – My Neighborhood**  
**Urban Stream Restoration** Georgeanna Collins, Turner, Collie and Braden, Inc., Houston, TX  
**Preserving Riparian Buffers** TBA  
**Neighborhood Micro-detention** Mark McKinnon, McKinnon Associates, Houston, TX  
**The Role of Trees** Mickey Merritt, Texas Forest Service, Houston, TX
- Session C – My Commercial District**  
**Rooftop Gardens** Steve McDowell, BNIM Architects, Kansas City, MO  
**On-site Detention** Kevin Conner, Carter and Burgess, Inc., San Antonio, TX  
**Parking Lot Design** John Garza, Carter and Burgess, Inc., Houston, TX  
**Street Sweeping** Jonathan Jones, Wright Water Engineers, Inc., Denver, CO
- 12:15 – 1:30 **Habitat Benefits of Stream Corridors, Luncheon Keynote Address**  
Winnie Burkett, Houston Audubon Society, Houston, TX
- 1:45 – 3:30 **How Can We Do It?**  
**Regulatory Environment** Susan Hill, Hawes Hill, Houston, TX  
**Deed Restrictions** Deborah McAbee, City of Houston, Houston, TX  
**Incentives** TBA  
**Reduced Costs for Infrastructure** Mike Talbott, Harris County Flood Control District, Houston, TX
- 3:30 – 3:45 *Break*
- 3:45 – 4:30 **Compatibility of the Natural & Built Environment**  
**Role of Natural Features in Flood Management** Andy Sipocz, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Dickinson, TX  
**Role for Developers** Roger Galatas, Roger Galatas Interests LLC, The Woodlands, TX
- 3:45 – 4:30 **Our Watershed** The Honorable Bill White, Mayor, City of Houston, TX
- 4:45 – 5:00 **Closing**
- 5:00 – 6:30 **Reception**