



**New Exhibition from Nevada Humanities Explores Life and Community
Changes Along the Colorado River**
“Along the Colorado” Opens August 4, 2022

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July 26, 2022—LAS VEGAS, NV—As part of the ongoing [Nevada Humanities Exhibition Series](#), a new exhibition, [Along the Colorado](#) opens at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery on August 4, 2022, and will be on display online at nevadahumanities.org. *Along the Colorado*, produced by Nevada Humanities and curated by Nevada artist Sapira Cheuk, includes paintings, mixed media, and video works that explore the water crisis faced by the desert Southwest, the nation, and the planet.

On August 16, 2021, the United States Bureau of Reclamation declared the first-ever official water shortage for the Colorado River Basin. For the seven states along the Colorado River, this has meant new and increased water use restrictions and evolving interstate relationships, not only to the river, but also between each other.

Along the Colorado includes artists, scientists, and advocates from Colorado River Basin states whose works explore the scarcity, commodification, conservation, legality, and politics of water use. *Along the Colorado* will feature the following contributors: Jess Benjamin, John Fleck, Alexander Heilner, Patrick Kikut, Michael B. Mason, Dr. Thomas Minckley, Cody Perry, Kyle Roerink, Sean D. Russell, Cliff Segerblom, Jen Urso, and Marc Wise.

“Works of art have the power to inspire and resonate, and can direct our attention to important features and events that have an impact on our world,” said artist and *Along the Colorado* exhibition curator Sapira Cheuk.

“Nevada Humanities is excited to gather this diverse group of scientists, artists, and thinkers to produce a collective body of creative works that explore the value and complications associated with water use in the Colorado River Basin,” said Christina Barr, Nevada Humanities Executive Director. “We hope that visitors to the exhibition will become more aware of these issues and be inspired to reflect upon their own relationships to water in our region.”

The exhibition will be open to the public for viewing by appointment only Tuesdays through Thursdays from 1 to 4 pm, and until 9 pm the first Friday of the month for First Friday events at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery. The Nevada Humanities Program Gallery is located at 1017 South 1st Street, #190 in Las Vegas; in-person viewing is open until September 28, 2022. An **in-person reception** will take place at the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery in Las Vegas on **Saturday, August 6, 2022, from 3 to 6 pm PDT** with monitored entry to accommodate social distancing. An **exhibition discussion**, led by exhibition curator Sapira Cheuk, will be held in Art Square Suite 150, which is adjacent to the Nevada Humanities Program Gallery courtyard, at **4 pm on August 6** and simultaneously broadcast on [Facebook Live](#). Space is limited and masks will be required regardless of vaccination status. Contact Bobbie Ann Howell at bahowell@nevadahumanities.org or 702-800-4670 to make a viewing appointment.

About Nevada Humanities: Nevada Humanities is one of 56 independent, nonprofit state and territorial humanities councils affiliated with the National Endowment for the Humanities. With offices in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada Humanities creates public programs and supports public projects statewide that define the Nevada experience and facilitate the exploration of issues that matter to the people of Nevada and their communities. For more information about Nevada Humanities visit nevadahumanities.org.

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Artwork courtesy of Sean Russell, *Make Lead*.

