



# Georgia, Nature, and the Environment

April 1st, 2023 at the Georgia Archives

- 9:00 Opening and Coffee
- 9:10 Welcome from Christopher Davidson, State Archivist / Assistant Vice Chancellor USG
- 9:15 *"You People Don't Seem to Want a Parkway": The Failure of the Blue Ridge Parkway Extension into Georgia*, Richelle Brown
- 10:20 Panel: Conservation and Old Growth Forests  
*Early Conservation in Georgia: An Overview of the Development of Georgia's Efforts to Conserve Our State's Natural Resources from Colonial Times to Early Twentieth Century*, Leah Edwards
- Protecting Old-Growth "Hope Spots" in North Georgia: From Cooper Creek to Grassy Mountain*, Emma Kiser
- 11:10 Panel: Race, Class, and Recreation  
*Hard Labor Creek State Park: A Case Study in Discriminatory Recreation*, W. Cole Wicker
- Under the Surface of Lake Lanier*, Angela Hronek
- 11:50 Poster Session: *Oyster Wars and Bustling Factories: The Georgia Oyster Industry, 1880s-1940s*, Sadie Ingram
- 12:10 Lunch (Pizza provided by FOGAH. Cash Donations to FOGAH accepted)
- 1:00 *Bamboo in Georgia's Landscape: From Native Americans to the USDA*, Dr. Kay Koppedrayer, Dr. Walter E. Campbell, and Dr. Mike Hotchkiss
- 2:00 Panel: Nature at Home  
*The Introduction, Spread, and Potential Impacts of a Non-native Spider to Georgia*, Dr. Michael Sitvarin
- Imagine the Possibilities of Our Landscapes: How Landscapes Can Fight Climate Change and Grow Green Jobs*, Jamie Rosenthal
- Rethinking Informal Urbanism in Metro-Atlanta*, Dr. Georgeta Connor
- 3:00 *Pretty in Pink: Georgia's Marble Industry and the Human Impact on the Land*, Al Connolly, Bill Cagle, Dr. Candy Tate, Dr. Kathleen Thompson

**Free and Open to the Public**