

CROSS-CURRENTS: History, People & the Environment

19th State History Conference

Murray Bridge, 6 - 8 August 2010

CALL FOR PAPERS

CROSS-CURRENTS will be held in Murray Bridge, South Australia's 2010 Regional Centre of Culture. With the River as our starting point, we will explore the relationships between history and the environment - how the environment has shaped human activity, and how that activity has, in turn, shaped the environment. The conference will examine people in the environment from a range of perspectives, highlighting the relationship between history and other research fields including archaeology, literature, anthropology, geography and the natural sciences. We would also welcome papers exploring South Australian regional history more generally.

We invite proposals for papers, panels, tours and film screenings, including (but not limited to) presentations on the following themes:

- ideas about rivers, water and water use
- Indigenous cultures and histories along the River and inland
- water, fish, land – histories of use, resources and rights
- changing natural histories
- river transport and communication
- making communities: settlement schemes, migration and change
- making industries: agriculture, horticulture, viticulture and others
- making towns: planned and unplanned towns and development
- working lives
- cultural exchange, cultural diversity and shared histories
- the River as a place for leisure and tourism
- River Murray characters and life stories
- local communities and local stories
- history and the environment and environmental history
- micro-histories: people in place
- the exchange of ideas between history and related disciplines, including archaeology, anthropology, geography and the natural sciences
- museums and developments in new media
- cultural heritage and sustainable communities

Proposals must include:

- ✓ title
- ✓ abstract or overview (up to 250 words)
- ✓ brief biography of presenter/s (up to 200 words)
- ✓ full contact details: name, postal address, email and phone number

Closing date

Wednesday 31 March 2010

Submit to

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