

An Evening Celebrating the Mississippi River

A celebration to benefit



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 | 5:00 – 8:30 pm
CLARENCE W. WIGINGTON PAVILION
HARRIET ISLAND REGIONAL PARK | SAINT PAUL



The Mississippi River is an ecological resource of global and local significance. Its historic and cultural legacy resonates worldwide. In the Twin Cities, it is the major source of drinking water for more than a million people.

Join us to celebrate the Big River, a resource on which we all depend.

2017 Celebration Host Committee

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Keynote Address

The Mississippi River is not only one of the great rivers of the world, but it's also our hometown river and the lifeblood of our community; flowing through over 1 million Twin Cities residents who draw their tap water from the river, and bringing together countless more who live, work and play in its midst.



To advance our vision of a river for all, we're welcoming keynote speaker Dr. Dorceta Taylor, one of the country's preeminent environmental justice scholars. Dr. Taylor will discuss the intersection of environmental history, politics and justice, and what we can do to make our special, natural places welcoming for all.

Event Schedule

- 5:00 – 5:30 Sponsors reception with Friends of the Mississippi River Executive Director Whitney Clark, Board of Directors Leadership, and Keynote Speaker Dr. Dorceta Taylor
- 5:30 – 6:30 Social hour featuring hearty, local fare from Birchwood Café and live music
- 6:30 – 7:45 Program featuring:
 - Welcome from FMR Leadership
 - Live auction featuring incredible river-themed items and experiences
 - Special Guest: Dr. Dorceta Taylor
 - A special opportunity to impact the river and our community
- 7:45 – 8:30 Dessert, auction check-out and mingling

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Bald Eagle Sponsor | \$1,000+

- Membership in the Mississippi Riverkeepers, a group of dedicated donors who annually contribute \$1,000+ to FMR, and who receive special annual benefits, including an invitation to a private birding experience on the river with expert birders during migration season.
- Named “Bald Eagle Sponsor” of the celebration in the following promotional and informational materials for the event: *invitation, event website, printed program*
- Six tickets to the event and VIP seating for you and your guests
- An invitation for you and your guests to the pre-event Sponsors Reception
- Complimentary valet parking



Blue Heron Sponsor | \$500

- Named “Blue Heron Sponsor” of the celebration in the following promotional and informational materials for the event: *invitation, event website, printed program*
- Four tickets to the event and VIP seating for you and your guests
- An invitation for you and your guest to the pre-event Sponsors Reception
- Complimentary valet parking



River Otter Sponsor | \$250

- Named “River Otter Sponsor” of the celebration in the following promotional and informational materials for the event: *invitation, event website, printed program*
- Two tickets to the event
- An invitation for you and your guest to the pre-event Sponsors Reception
- Complimentary valet parking



Sponsorship Reservation Form & Agreement

Your impact as a sponsor of this event extends beyond a single night – it spreads down the river corridor and through our communities. **Thank you!**

Sponsorship Level: Bald Eagle | \$1,000 Blue Heron | \$500 River Otter | \$250

Name _____

Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Payment Method:

- Check enclosed for \$ _____
- Please invoice (invoices will be sent to the contact listed above)
- Please charge my: Visa Master Card

Card Number _____

Name on Card _____

Expiration _____

As a sponsor you are welcome to bring guests to the event. (Please reference the benefits for your sponsorship level to determine how many.) To help us appropriately welcome you and your guests, please indicate the following:

- I will not be using my additional complimentary admissions
- Names of my guests _____

- At this time, I do not know who my guests will be. Please follow-up with me for those details in September.

Thank You! Please mail this form and payment or payment instructions to:

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