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SUMMARY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 21

- 2:00pm – 7:00pm Registration (Lobby)
- 6:00pm – 7:30pm Welcome and Opening Session (North Sun Deck)
- 7:30pm – 9:00pm Reception and Cocktail Hour (North Sun Deck)

Thursday, October 22

- 8:00am – 7:00pm Registration (Lobby)
- 8:00am – 6:00pm Field Trips (meet inside lobby for departure)
- 9:00am – 2:00pm APCG Executive Council Lunch (Tahquitz)
- 6:00pm – 9:00pm Poolside Dinner (North Sun Deck)

Friday, October 23

- 8:00am – 5:00pm Registration (Lobby)
- 8:00am – 5:00pm Vendors (Lobby)
- 10:00am – 11:40am Paper Sessions B
- 11:45am – 1:00pm Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00pm – 2:40pm Paper Sessions C
- 3:00pm – 4:40pm Paper Sessions D
- 5:00pm – 6:30pm President's Address (Grand Ballroom)
- 7:30 pm – 9:00pm President's Reception (Grand Marble)
- 7:30 pm – 9:00pm President's Poster Session (Atrium Three)

Saturday, October 24

- 9:00am – 12:00pm Registration (Lobby)
- 9:00am – 5:00pm Vendors (Lobby)
- 8:00am – 9:40am Paper Sessions A
- 10:00am – 11:40am Paper Sessions B
- 11:30am – 1:00pm Lunch (on your own)
- 11:30am – 1:00pm Women's Network Lunch (Atrium Three)
- 1:00pm – 2:40pm Paper Sessions C
- 3:00pm – 4:40pm Paper Sessions D
- 5:00pm – 6:30pm Geography Bowl (Palm Canyon)
- 5:00pm – 6:30pm Business Meeting (Grand Ballroom)
- 7:00pm – 10:00pm Awards Banquet (Atrium)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Registration

2:00pm – 7:00pm Lobby

Welcome and Opening Session

6:00pm – 7:30pm North Sun Deck

Welcome

Jim Craine | California State University, Northridge

Keynote Address

Tim Krantz | University of Redlands

A Geographer's-Eye View of the Salton Sea

Reception and Cocktail Hour

7:00pm – 9:00pm North Sun Deck



Elvis Presley honeymoon house in Palm Springs. Carol M. Highsmith, 2009.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Registration

8:00am - 7:00pm Lobby

Field Trips

ALL FIELD TRIPS MEET INSIDE LOBBY FOR DEPARTURE

8:00am - 4:00pm Salton Sea

8:00am - 1:00pm Coachella Valley Water District Tour

8:00am - 4:00pm Joshua Tree/Box Canyon Tour

8:00am - 12:30pm Salvation Mountain Tour

7:30am - 10:30pm San Andreas Fault Hike

8:00am - 5:00pm Mt. San Jacinto Tram Ride and Hike

10:00am - 1:00pm Mid-Century Modern Architecture Tour

APCG Executive Council Lunch

9:00am - 2:00pm Tahquitz

Poolside Dinner

6:00pm - 9:00pm North Sun Deck

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Registration

8:00am - 7:00pm Lobby

Friday Paper Sessions B

10:00am - 11:45am

National Parks (ANDREAS)

Chair: **Terry Young**, Cal Poly-Pomona

10:00am | **Lary Dilsaver**, University of South Alabama

Environmental Perception and the Management of Joshua Tree National Park

10:20am | **Judith Meyer**, Missouri State University

The Changing Role of Yellowstone's Howard Eaton Trail

10:40am | **Terry Young**, Cal Poly-Pomona

Christian Nationalism and the Antimodern Origins of the Pacific Crest Trail

11:00am | **Yolonda Youngs**, Idaho State University

Tracing Lives, Following River Channels: Commercial Raft Guides in Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming

Geographic Methods (PALM CANYON)

Chair: **Noah Silber-Coats**, University of Arizona

10:00am | **Brian Petersen**, Northern Arizona University

When Species Collide: Changing and Contested Boundaries in Whitebark Pine Forests in the Western United States

10:20am | **Noah Silber-Coats**, University of Arizona

*Private Hydropower and the Politics of Nature in the Sierra Madre Oriental**

10:40am | **Zachary Sugg**, University of Arizona

Availability, Allocation, Access: Groundwater Politics and Regulation in Central Texas

11:00am | **Wei Yang**, University of Southern California

Effect Of Climate And Seasonality On Depressed Mood Among Twitter Users

Geographies of Place 1 (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: James Allen, California State University, Northridge

10:00am | **Alison Hotten**, University of Nevada, Reno

*Identity and Modernity: The Jewish Contribution to Twentieth-Century Miami Beach Architecture**

10:20am | **Jonathan Taylor**, California State University, Fullerton

Is DMT Everywhere? Some Notes on the Diffusion of N,N-Dimethyltryptamine

10:40am | **Norman Carter**, California State University, Long Beach

Little Tokyo as a Relic Ethnic Enclave

11:00am | **Emanuel Delgado**, San Diego State University

*Culture and Gentrification in Barrio Logan**

11:20am | **James Allen & Eugene Turner**, California State University, Northridge

The Changing Ethnic Quilt of Southern California

Lunch

11:45am – 1:00pm

Friday Paper Sessions C

1:00pm – 2:45pm

Geographic Education (ANDREAS)

Chair: **Deborah Thien**, California State University, Long Beach

1:00pm | **John Menary**, California State University Dominguez Hills
Passionate Encounters with a Bogus Reality: Geo-sexuality's Place in Higher Education Design and Planning

1:20pm | **Steven Graves**, California State University, Northridge
Introduction to Human Geography

1:40pm | **Sarah Bednarz**, Texas A&M University
Mid and Late Career Faculty

2:00pm | **Michelle Calvarese**, California State University, Fresno
The Effect of Gender on Stress Factors: An Exploratory Study Among University Students

2:20pm | **Deborah Thien**, California State University, Long Beach
Being in Common(s): Making Space for Civic Awareness in a University Honors Program

GIS 1 (PALM CANYON)

Chair: **Soheil Boroushaki**, California State University Northridge

1:00pm | **Regan M. Maas & Soheil Boroushaki**, CSU Northridge
Daily Activity Spaces: Lived Space and Its Relationship to Health Outcomes in the Northeast San Fernando Valley

1:20pm | **Monika Calef**, Soka University of America
Variability in the Geographic Distribution of Fires in Interior Alaska Considering Cause, Human Proximity, and Level of Suppression

1:40pm | **Sean Robison**, California State University, Northridge
Test of a Habitat Suitability Index Model for Black Bears in Northeastern Minnesota

2:00pm | **Daniel Ervin**, University of California Santa Barbara
*The Association Between Forest Cover Change and Migration in Mexico from 2000 to 2010**

2:20pm | **Soheil Boroushaki**, California State University Northridge
Implementing Argumentation Map Concepts Within CartoDB

International Geographies (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: **Sara Hughes**, University of California, Los Angeles

1:00pm | **Matthias Gebauer**, University of Mainz
'Black Islam' South Africa? Conversion and contested belongings in an unsettled society.

1:20pm | **Christine Carolan**, University of Oregon
*Lough Neagh: A Contested or Co-operative Space in Post Conflict Northern Ireland?**

1:40pm | **Dianne Meredith**, California State University-Maritime Academy
Tumen River Regionalism: The Costs and Benefits of Transboundary Cooperation

2:00pm | **Josh Watkins**, University of California, Davis
*Constructing 'Potential Irregular Immigrants': The Biopolitics of Australia's Overseas Public Information Campaigns**

2:20pm | **Sara Hughes**, University of California, Los Angeles
*Construction as Commemoration: Memorializing Violence through West Bank Settlement Construction**



Abandoned building near the Salton Sea. Carol M. Highsmith, 2012.

Friday Paper Sessions D

3:00pm – 4:45pm

Landscapes of the American West (ANDREAS)

Chair: **James Hayes**, University of Nebraska, Omaha

3:00pm | **Sean Pries**, University of California, Davis

*"Itself a Living Thing:" A Posthumanist, Political Ecology Approach to the Landscape of the North Fork American River**

3:20pm | **Lily House-Peters**, University of Arizona

*From Static Landscapes to Variegated Topographies of Resilience: Recognizing the Vertical Dimensions of Riparian Transformations in the Borderlands**

3:40pm | **Peggy Hauselt**, California State University, Stanislaus

Estimating Changes in Water Resource Use in California's Sierra Foothills Due to Agricultural Conversion

4:00pm | **Catherine Magee**, University of Nevada Reno

Two Models to Examine the Complex Multi-dimensionality of Cultural Landscapes

4:20pm | **James Hayes**, University of Nebraska Omaha

A Multi-scale Landscape Analysis of Valley Oak Regeneration Using Morisita's Index

Geographies of Food (PALM CANYON)

Chair: **Jaime Rossiter**, San Diego State University

3:00pm | **Heather Ream**, California State University, Stanislaus

Ethnic Foodways in the Making of Transnationals: Central Valley Sikhs

3:20pm | **William Selby**, Santa Monica College

Evolving Food Landscapes in the Los Angeles Area

3:40pm | **Daniel Arreola**, Arizona State University

The Mexican Restaurant in America, A Prospectus

4:00pm | **David Lopez-Carr**, University of California, Santa Barbara

Synergies Among the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Sub-Saharan Africa?: Geographies of Demographic, Food, and Livelihood Transitions

4:20pm | **Jaime Rossiter**, **Pascale Joassart-Marcelli** & **Fernando Bosco**, SDSU

Improving Food Security in City Heights, San Diego: The Role of Ethnic Markets

Geographies of Place 3 (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: **Marti Klein**, California State University Fullerton

3:00pm | **Joseph Lamon**, California State University Northridge
Los Angeles Graffiti Geographies

3:20pm | **Matthew Nordstrom**, California State University, Northridge
The Growth Effect: Commuter Rail In Suburban Southern California

3:40pm | **Jeff Rose**, University of Utah
*Wilderness Recreation Users' Perceptions and Behaviors Concerning
Backcountry Drinking Water Quality: Results from the Pacific Crest Trail*

4:00pm | **Amory Ballantine**, The Evergreen State College
*Geographies of Race and Nation in the Port of Tacoma Nearshore Tidelands**

4:20pm | **Marti Klein**, California State University Fullerton
*Hiding in Plain Sight: the Geography of Human Trafficking
in Orange County, California*

President's Address

6:00pm – 7:30pm Grand Ballroom

**Scale: (Dis)embodiment, Possession,
and Alienation**

Chris Lukinbeal | University of Arizona

President's Reception/Poster Session

6:30pm to 8:00pm

Remi Bardou, Univeristy of California, Los Angeles

Mangroves Habitat Changes in the North Pacific Coast in Response to Climate Change

Gregory Beringer, California State University, Fullerton

Rent Burden and the Role of Non-Profits in Affordable Housing: An Analysis of Orange County, CA

Gregory Bohr, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Precipitation Timing and Intensity in the Western United States

Pedro Chacon, California State University Fullerton

Analysis of Chemical Labs in California using Spatial Statistics Methods

Cora H. Chong, Julia L. Goldsworth, Robert L. Grotefend, Kevin W. Klemens,

Jason I. Martin and **Dustin L. Sunderman**, University of Southern California

Dredging the Detroit River: A Geodatabase Prototype for Past, Present, and Future Information Regarding Dredging in the Great Lakes

Gail Ferrell, Truckee Meadows Community College

Winter Travel Management on Six forests including the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit

Brett Goforth, California State University, San Bernardino

Vegetation Type Conversion and Hill-slope Failure Susceptibility in a California Shrubland

Jaime Hoffman, California State University, Northridge

Solar Energy Potential at California State University, Northridge

Rajrani Kalra, California State University, San Bernardino

Spatial Analysis of Languages and Literacy Patterns in India

Connor Martin, University of North Alabama

A Vehicle for Development: Historic Streetcar Systems and Economic Growth

Alison McNally, Jennifer Helzer, and **Philip Garone**, California State University,

Stanislaus; **William Swagerty** and **Reuben Smith**, University of the Pacific;

Gregg Camfield, University of California, Merced

The Delta as a Cultural and Historical District

Madison Most, California State University, Northridge
The Hop Head Republic

Jeffrey Nelson and **Andrea Hernandez**, Cal Poly Pomona
Park Environments in Pomona, California: A GIS Analysis and Field Assessment

Jonghyun Park, Hosei University
International Urban System and Relationship Between Busan and Fukuoka in Terms of International Trade Activities of Firms in Busan

Zia Salim, California State University, Fullerton
Assessing the Accuracy of Volunteered Geographic Information: A Case Study in Urban Geography

Marcus Thomson, Elizabeth Fard and **Glen MacDonald**, UCLA
Comparing a Statistically Downscaled Climate Model and Multiproxy Lake Sediment Data to Reconstruct 1000 Years of Utah Climate History



The Salton Sea. Carol M. Highsmith, 2012.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Registration

9:00am – 12:00pm Lobby

Saturday Paper Sessions B

10:00am – 11:45am

Metatrends in Professional Geography: The Rise of AP Human Geography (ANDREAS)

Chair: Zia Salim, California State University, Fullerton

10:00am | **Don Zeigler**, Old Dominion University

Unrolling the Map of AP Human Geography

10:20am | **Jody Smothers-Marcello**, Sitka High School

Active Learning in the Human Geography Classroom

10:40am | **Sarah Bednarz**, Texas A&M University, Texas

'Powerful Knowledge' in the Context of AP Human Geography

11:00am | **Jennifer Bjerke**, Cal Poly Pomona University

Perspectives on the 'Reading' of AP Human Geography Exams

11:20am | **Fernando Bosco**, San Diego State University

Discussant

Geographies of Latin America (PALM CANYON)

Chair: Craig Revels, Central Washington University

10:00am | **Lourdes Johanna Avelar Portillo**, Cal State Long Beach

*In Every Cántaro of Water: Women's Water Access Struggles in Rural El Salvador**

10:20am | **Olga Govdyak**, California State University, Northridge

*Perceived Effects: Residential Tourism in Belize**

10:40am | **Jim Keese**, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

Results of the Follow-up Study on Improved Cookstoves in Cuzco, Peru

11:00am | **Casey Lynch**, University of Arizona

*Pursuing and Contesting Libertarian Development: Social Space and Political Transformation in Post-Coup Honduras**

11:20am | **Craig Revels**, Central Washington University

Visions of Paradise: Place and Promise in Honduras, 1800s-present

Geographies of Place 2 (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: Katherine G. Sammler, The University of Arizona

10:00am | **Sahar Zavareh**, Oregon State Univeristy
*Detroit Water Crisis News Media Discourse Analysis**

10:20am | **Robert Christopherson**, American River College, Emeritus
Biosphere 2, Earth's Largest Enclosed Ecosystems Research Facility

10:40am | **Dirk Kinsey**, Portland State University
*Rebuilding The Village, Chasing The Problem: Youth And Gang Violence Policy
And The Suburbanization Of Poverty In Multnomah County*

11:00am | **LaDona Knigge** and **Victoria Birdseye**, CSU, Chico
Whether City or County: Every Child Deserves a Safe Route to School

11:20am | **Katherine G. Sammler**, The University of Arizona
*From the Ocean's Abyss to the Vacuum of Space: Privatization
in the Vertical Commons**

Lunch

11:30am – 1:00pm

Women's Network Lunch

11:30am – 1:00pm Atrium Three

Saturday Paper Sessions C

1:00pm – 2:45pm

Young People, Space, and Politics (ANDREAS)

Chair: **Stuart Aitken**, San Diego State University

1:00pm | **Lydia Wood**, San Diego State University

Colonized Geographies, Border Politics, and Youth: Understanding the Geographies of Indigenous Youth Health and Well-Being in San Diego

1:20pm | **Fernando Bosco**, San Diego State University

Everyday Food Practices of Young People in City Heights, San Diego

1:40pm | **Jasmine Arpagian**, San Diego State University

*Serving Only Sour Cream: Roma Youth Redressing Social Inequalities**

2:00pm | **Stuart Aitken**, San Diego State University

Young People's Emotional Geographies, Spatial Rights and Mobilities in the Context of Erasure

2:20pm | **Deborah Thien**, California State University, Long Beach

Discussant

Physical Geography 1 (PALM CANYON)

Chair: **Glen MacDonald**, University of California, Los Angeles

1:00pm | **Suzanne Walther**, University of San Diego

Quantifying Geomorphic Change over a Flood Season on Pleasant Creek in Capitol Reef National Park, Utah

1:20pm | **Rachel Vann-Foster**, California State University, Long Beach

*Native California Grasslands – La Jolla Valley, Malibu: Species Change and Recovery Rates Over Time**

1:40pm | **Christine M. Rodrigue**, California State University, Long Beach

Differences in California Sage Scrub Composition behind Stable and Recovering Boundaries with Annual Grassland

2:00pm | **Brian Pompeii**, CA Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.

Local Knowledge and Vulnerability to Coastal Hazards on Ocracoke Island, North Carolina, USA

2:20pm | **Glen MacDonald**, University of California, Los Angeles

California Coastal Marshes: Long-term History, Sediment Accretion and C Sequestration Rates and Future Prognosis

Geographies of Place 3 (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: **Kristine Hunt**, Idaho State University.

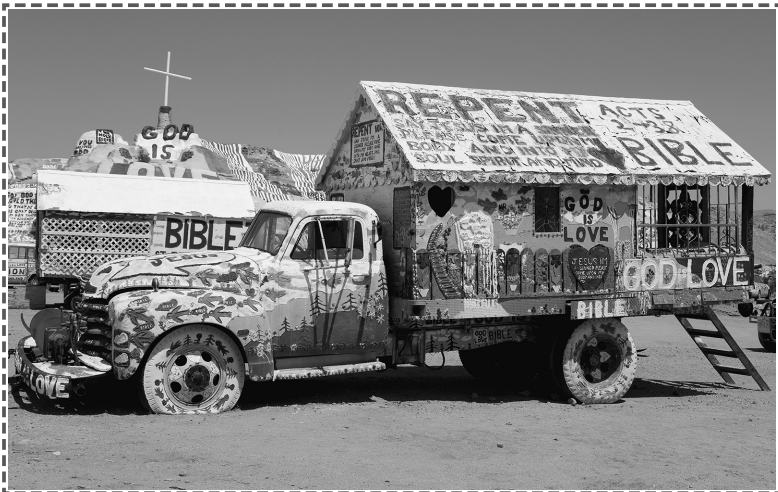
1:00pm | **Joseph Diminutto**, California State University Long Beach
“Cruising” For A Sense Of Place In Long Beach, California: The Phenomenology And Spatiality Of Romance While Gondola Cruising

1:20pm | **Kiyumi Brocious**, California State University Northridge.
*Whose Space? Lessons from the Struggles of New York City Community Gardens and South Central Farm in Los Angeles**

1:40pm | **Luke Drake**, California State University, Northridge
Developing a Vacant Land Inventory through Productive Partnerships: A University, NGO, and Municipal Planning Collaboration in Trenton, New Jersey

2:00pm | **Jay Gilliam**, San Diego State University
*Beyond the Edge: Roller Derby and the Spaces of Empowerment Transcending Women’s Edgework**

2:20pm | **Kristine Hunt**, Idaho State University
*“Our Bungalow Dreams:” Housing and Occupation in the US West, 1900–1930**



Salvation Mountain. Carol M. Highsmith, 2012.

Saturday Paper Sessions D

3:00pm – 4:45pm

Geographic Theory and Philosophy (ANDREAS)

Chair: **Alec Murphy**, University of Oregon.

3:00pm | **Dylan Brady**, University of Oregon
*The Emergence of the Absolute from the Relative**

3:20pm | **Jonathan Bratt**, Arizona State University
Landscape Ontography in Early Medieval China

3:40pm | **Carl Johannessen**, University of Oregon
Human Stewardship of Earth was Studied by Carl Ortwin Sauer and Its Influence on Modern Geography

4:00pm | **William Koelsch**, Clark University
"The World's Oldest Geographical Riddle"

4:20pm | **Alec Murphy**, University of Oregon
Putting the Iranian Nuclear Deal in Context: Geographical Considerations

Geography and the Environment (PALM CANYON)

Chair: **William A. Bowen**, California State University, Northridge

3:00pm | **Zackery Thill**, University of Oregon
*Silencing Controversy? Environmental Knowledge Production on the Oilsands of Northern Alberta**

3:20pm | **Eric Magrane**, University of Arizona
Go Deep and Be Ready: Geographies and Poetries of Climate Change

3:40pm | **Audra El Vilaly**, University of Arizona
Remembering Al-badiyya, Remembering Ourselves: Politics, Subjectivities, and Environmental Memories of the Mauritanian Haratine

4:00pm | **William A. Bowen**, California State University, Northridge
Drought in California and Its Solutions

Geographic Methods 2 (GRAND BALLROOM)

Chair: **Ted Eckmann**, *University of Portland*

3:00pm | **Brittany Bohlinger**, University of Oregon

Politics of Sustainability in Prison: Supporting Inmate Voices through Non-Hierarchical Research Strategies

3:20pm | **Maria Fadiman**, Florida Atlantic University

Can Ethnobotany Foster Environmental and Cultural Understanding?

3:40pm | **Brian Garcia**, Yale University, University College London

Comparative Urbanism, Ethnography and Site Analysis of Pedestrian Friendly Public Transport Neighbourhoods

4:00pm | **Ted Eckmann**, University of Portland

Modeling Hydrological Impacts of Future Climate Changes on Local Scales

Business Meeting

5:00pm – 6:30pm Grand Ballroom

Geography Bowl

5:00pm – 6:30pm Palm Canyon

Annual Student Awards Banquet

7:00pm – 10:00pm Atrium

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