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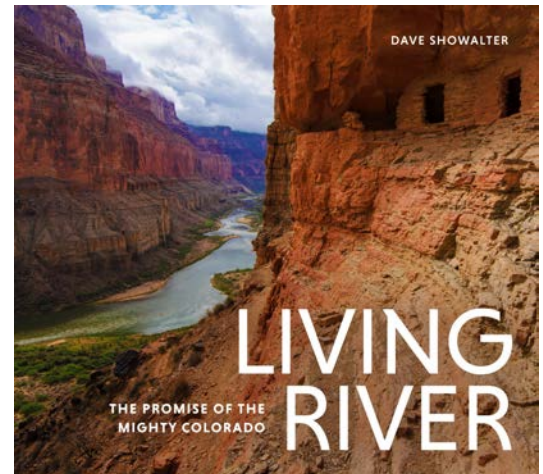
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Heritage Square Presents: Voices of the River – an Exploration of Art, Conservation, and Community!

Phoenix, AZ – Heritage Square is thrilled to present *Voices of the River*, a free and thought-provoking program on **Sunday, November 3, 2024**. This special event will feature conservation photographer and author, Dave Showalter, and local artist and community activist, Yolanda Hart, Stevens. Together, they will explore the vital connection between water, nature, and the communities that rely on them, sharing both visual stories and cultural perspectives on environmental conservation. Following the presentations, we will have a book signing and VIP reception.

Living River: The Promise of the Mighty Colorado

Embark on an epic visual journey through the vast Colorado River watershed with conservation photographer **Dave Showalter** as he talks about his new book, [Living River: The Promise of the Mighty Colorado](#). Dave spent 5 years documenting the lifeforce of the river; the species that need it to survive; the people working to protect it; and so much more. This is a story of hope, one that shows the resilience of watersheds, the life that water brings, and the epic journey of Dave and the Colorado River.



Connections to Holistic Material: Native Culture Today and Tomorrow

Gain insight into how water, land, and the environmental challenges impact Native communities with **Yolanda Hart Stevens** as she talks about the importance of one native plant – the mesquite tree. From birth to death, this tree is an integral part of life for many who call the desert home. Just one of many holistic materials and elements of our natural environment, mesquite trees are still vital to sustaining Native culture and practices. But climate change and environmental degradation are changing the landscapes of Arizona – from the lack of water resources to the loss of mesquite trees, the future is uncertain.

Photo Credit: Dave Showalter (book cover - [Living River: The Promise of the Mighty Colorado](#))

Event Information:

Voices of the River

Date: Sunday, November 3, 2024

Time: Presentations – 2:00 to 4:30pm; Book Signing – 4:30 to 6:00pm; VIP Reception – 6:00 to 7:00pm

Admission: Event admission is free; Museum admission is listed below

Website: <https://heritagesquarephx.org/voices-of-the-river/>

About Historic Heritage Square:

Heritage Square is a striking reminder of the city's vibrant Victorian past. Located on Block 14 of the original townsite of Phoenix, the Square dates back to the late 1800s, and the restored Rosson House Museum is its crowning jewel. Heritage Square is operated in conjunction by the Heritage Square Foundation (a 501c-3 non-profit organization) and the City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department, and is owned by the City of Phoenix.

About Rosson House Museum:

The Rosson House Museum is a fully restored 1895 Queen Anne Victorian house museum, interpreting the history of Phoenix and Territorial Arizona. Tours of the house include all living areas and offer visitors a glimpse into the lifestyles of early Phoenix families. Admission to the Rosson House Museum is by guided tour only. All tours last approximately 60 minutes.

More Museum Info:

Location: 113 North Sixth Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Hours: Rosson House Museum is open for guided tours Friday and Saturday, 10am to 4pm; Sunday 12pm to 4pm. The last tour each day is at 3pm.

Admission: \$15 adults; \$8 children 5yrs+; Members and children under 5 are free. See current tour discounts on our website (heritagesquarephx.org/rossonhouse/).

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