Please join us for our breakfast on Wednesday, March 23rd!

7:15 am - 8:30 am (Program @ 7:30)
UCR Alumni & Visitor Center
3701 Canyon Crest Drive

“Play the L.A. River!” Movement: Lessons for the Santa Ana River?

Catherine Gudis
UCR Professor of History

And

Patricia Lock Dawson
Santa Ana River Trail Parkway Partnership

“Play the L.A. River” was a year long project which facilitated impromptu and planned events over 51 weeks from September 2014 until September 2015. A come one, come all endeavor by the arts collective Project 51, “Play the LA River” invited Angelenos to enjoy, explore, reclaim and reimagine the mighty LA River as a grand civic space that can green and connect communities. Prior to this effort, the LA River was largely seen only as part of a flood control system.

Also known mostly as a flood control channel that sometimes runs dry, the Santa Ana River has been an underused asset, due to trails that start and stop and too few amenities and access points along the way. In recent years, leaders of Riverside, Orange, and San Bernardino Counties have worked together to connect the trail, identify funding, and celebrate this valuable natural resource.

Join us at the March 23rd CUC breakfast meeting, where Catherine Gudis and Patricia Lock Dawson will discuss the L.A and Santa Ana River revitalization efforts, their promise, their challenges ahead, their successes achieved, and lessons that can be learned from each other. It should be a fascinating talk!

Cathy Gudis, Associate Professor of History and Director of the Public History Program at UCR, has curated many site-based projects and museum exhibits that use the powers of art and history to think about the present and future of communities in Southern California. CUC members may remember the wonderful presentation she gave several years ago, titled “Curating Wilshire Boulevard.” Gudis is the co-founder of Project 51, which works to revitalize the 51-mile LA river as a grand public space.

Patricia Lock-Dawson, a UCR Alum, Riverside Unified School District Trustee, and President of the Riverside Land Conservancy, owns her own environmental consulting firm – PLD consulting. She founded the Santa Ana River Trail and Parkway Partnership, bringing together regional decision makers to focus on revitalizing the river and completing a 100-mile recreational trail stretching from the mountains to the Pacific.

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Space is Limited! Please R.S.V.P. by March 16th.

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