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## **Tributary: An exploration of the Missouri River, Real and Metaphorical**

Charlotte Street Foundation is pleased to present *Tributary: An exploration of the Missouri River, Real, and Metaphorical*. Organized by artist, M.O.I (Minister of Information), Tributary will be on display May 12th through June 10th at La Esquina Gallery. Please join us for the opening reception, Friday, May 12th, 6-9PM.



In June 2016, artists and scientists convened near the confluence of the Missouri and the Kansas Rivers to swap river stories. From those discussions, the idea of bringing together contemporary art, current scientific research, interactive natural resource workshops, and big river adventures was born. Built around the theme of the Missouri River and its tributaries, real and metaphorical, *Tributary* creates an experimental resource evaluation that mingles observation, experience, and intuition to improve understanding of one of our nation's greatest natural resources. *Tributary* exhibiting artists and scientists include: Karen McCoy, Caitlin Horsmon, Sarah Hearn, Melissa McGrath, Steven Snell, Anson the Orner, Lynn Benson, Tim Amundson, Libby Reuters, and Joshua Brown, Carrie Elliott, Dave Heimann, and Heather Krempa. Chief Hydrologist for Tributary is M.O.I.—The Minister of Information.



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## **PROGRAMMING**

### **BIG MUDDY SPEAKER SERIES**

Tuesday, May 23, 7:00 pm at Westport Coffee House

Dave Heimann, USGS Hydrologist presents "Where's the Mud: Understanding sediment sources and storage in the Big Muddy?"

### **A WHOLE WORLD AT YOUR FEET**

Thursday, June 1, 5:30 - 7:00 pm at La Esquina

Join an Invertebrate Workshop with USGS Biologist, Heather Krempa.

### **Big River Tributary**

Saturday, June 10, 12:00 - 2:00 pm at Kaw Point Park

Adventure artist Steve Snell will commandeer Daunting Courage, a cardboard replica of Lewis and Clark's keelboat into historic Kaw Point. The public can witness and provide testimony from the vantage point of a former Lewis and Clark camp. Water protectors from Healthy Rivers Partnership will offer free Missouri River boat tours.

## **ABOUT CHARLOTTE STREET**

Charlotte Street identifies the needs and fuels the evolution of an ever-changing multidisciplinary arts ecosystem, acting as its primary provocateur. Charlotte Street cultivates the contemporary, the exceptional, and the unexpected in the practice of artists working in and engaging with the Kansas City art community. Since 1997, Charlotte Street has distributed over \$1.1 million in awards and grants to artists and their innovative projects, and connected individual artists to each other and to the greater Kansas City community. For more information about Charlotte Street, its awards, programs, and initiatives, visit [www.charlottestreet.org](http://www.charlottestreet.org).