

# Our Water, Our Florida



Madison Blue Springs, 1987. Photo by John Moran.

Water is the lifeblood of our state. From drinking to recreation to tourism, water influences the lives of every Floridian. As our population grows, and as we face new resource challenges, how can we ensure equal access to all residents and visitors? And how can we become effective stewards of this precious resource?

Join the Florida Humanities Council for an engaging conversation between two of Florida's most insightful writers on water. Cynthia Barnett and Jack Davis will share key passages from their books, discuss how they came to understand Florida's water stories, and dialogue with the audience on questions related to Florida's future.

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## Program Details:

**Date:** Thursday, September 27, 2018

**Location:** USC Grand Ballroom, USF St. Petersburg  
200 6th Avenue South, St. Petersburg 33701

**Free parking on levels 2 – 5 in the 5th Avenue Parking Garage on the USF St. Petersburg Campus.**

**Time:**

5:30 p.m. Doors open and books sales

6:30 pm. Program begins

**[Reservations recommended, click here to RSVP](#)**

## Meet the Authors

Books will be available for purchase before and after the program.



**Cynthia Barnett** is a long-time journalist who has covered freshwater issues from the Suwannee River to Singapore. She is the author of three books on water. *Mirage: Florida and the Vanishing Water of the Eastern U.S.*, won the gold medal for

best nonfiction in the Florida Book Awards and was named by The St. Petersburg Times as one of the top 10 books that every Floridian should read. *Blue Revolution: Unmaking America's Water Crisis*, was named one of the top 10 science books of 2011 by The Boston Globe. The Globe calls Barnett "part journalist, part mom, part historian, and part optimist." Barnett's latest book, *Rain*, was published in the spring of 2015.



**Dr. Jack E. Davis** is a professor of environmental history and sustainable studies at the University of Florida. His latest book, *An Everglades Providence: Marjory Stoneman Douglas and the American Environmental Century*, won the gold medal in nonfiction from the Florida book awards. He is the author of *The Gulf: The Making of an American Sea*, winner of a Pulitzer Prize, a New York Times Notable Book, and winner of the Kirkus Prize for 2017.

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