



33rd Annual NAAEE Conference - Special Section

CASTING A WIDER NET FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Reflecting the variety of initiatives underway to enhance the professional standing of the field and reach a broader audience.

Meet Our Keynote Speakers



David Orr
Professor and Chair of the Environmental Studies Program, Oberlin College

David Orr is perhaps best known for his pioneering work on environmental literacy in higher education and his recent work in ecological design. He was named an "Environmental Hero for 2004" by *Interiors & Sources Magazine*. He has published four books as well as 120 articles in scientific journals, social science publications, and popular magazines.



Eric Clark
Secretary of State, State of Mississippi

Secretary of State Eric Clark oversees more than 1.3 million acres of state-owned land, including 16th section lands for the support of public education. Clark also serves as trustee of the public trust tidelands on the Gulf Coast. In this capacity, he has promoted balanced economic development and led the acquisition of more than 15,000 acres of endangered coastal wetlands, including Deer Island, for permanent preservation.



Laura Dunn
Founder and Executive Director, Two Birds Film and the Center for Ecological Media

Laura Dunn's forte lies in eco-social documentaries. *GREEN* (2000, 47 minutes, 16mm), which documents pollution along the Mississippi River Petrochemical Corridor, won three awards and has traveled to 30 environmental justice communities around the country. She was recently awarded a Rockefeller Media Fellowship for *MaiMayim*, a documentary about water in Israel.



Kevin J. Coyle
President, The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation (NEETF)

Kevin Coyle earned his law degree from Temple University and has been a resource professional since 1972. Coyle previously led national environmental organizations including American Rivers and River Network, working for national policy reform and watershed conservation. Today, the Foundation is a leader in the development of new policies, grant-making approaches, and direct programming to advance environmental literacy in America.



Boyce Courtney Williams
Vice-President, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)

An educator and a visionary who has received national acclaim for her contributions to the field of education, and specifically, quality public and teacher education, Dr. Williams has intensive knowledge of the accreditation process and has conducted numerous workshops on accreditation and quality education.

Charles Hopkins
United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Chair at York University, Toronto, Canada

Charles Hopkins developed and coordinates an international network of 36 teacher education institutions from 35 countries. A United Nations University (UNU) Chair on Education for Sustainable Development and an advisor to both UNESCO and the UNU, Hopkins played major roles in both the Rio and Johannesburg UN Summits on Sustainability and wrote "Chapter 36: Education, Public Awareness, and Training," in Agenda 21.

FAST FACTS:

Where: The Grand Casino Biloxi Bayview Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi.

When: Pre-conference Workshops, field trips and the EE Research Symposium, November 5 – 7, 2004; Conference keynotes, symposia, concurrent sessions, exhibits, and other events, November 8 – 10, 2004.

Weather: Mild. November is Biloxi's second-driest month with a rainfall of about 4 inches and an average temperature of 61.4 degrees Fahrenheit.

Structure: Seven strands, including an "Open Mic" for critical new research or cutting-edge programs. See the NAAEE website (www.naaee.org) for a full description of each strand.

Partners: Mississippi Environmental Education Alliance, Mississippi State University Coastal Research and Extension Center, and Keep Mississippi Beautiful.

Logo: The logo depicts the carapace of a gopher tortoise, *Gopherus Polyphemus*, which is native to the Gulf Coast from the Mississippi River to Central Florida.

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