

Sustainable Communities – Healthy Futures

The Rideau Roundtable and the City of Ottawa invites you to attend a special public presentation by one of Canada's most renowned canoeists; author and adventurer Max Finkelstein. **Adventure Mississippi**, retraces part of the 1673 expedition by Canadian explorers Marquette and Joliet down the river which flows through the heartland of modern day America.

Put aside those images of paddle-wheelers filled with cigar-smoking gamblers and southern belles and come discover the REAL river made famous by Mark Twain. Through slides and videos Max will take you on a 1,500 km journey down the Big Muddy. On the route we will travel with Max through the wilderness of northern Minnesota over beaver dams, along spectacular forests, through wild rice marshes emerging in the south to paddle alongside huge freighters on North America's busiest industrial river.

Adventure Mississippi is not just your average paddle trip --- it is an important educational journey to inspire students to experience outdoor adventure and engage them in environmental stewardship and sustainability. A trip led by an Ottawa based adventurer who has paddled a distance of over half the circumference of the earth in his lifetime!

This presentation will take place on January 25th from 2-3 pm at the Chamber room in Ben Franklin Place, 101 Centrepoint Drive, Ottawa. There is no charge for attendance or parking. All are welcome.

