

Great Lakes Day Conference Agenda

Happening virtually on February 27, 2024

Morning sessions Emerging issues

- **9-9:25 am *Are you Great Lakes Literate?***
 - Angela Scapini and Brandon Schroeder, Michigan Sea Grant
- **9:30-9:55 am *Status of PFAS in the Great Lakes***
 - Carolyn Foley, Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant
- **10-10:25 am *Pathway to Resilience***
 - Adam Arend, Coastal Community Development Coordinator, Michigan Coastal Management Program, EGLE

10:30-11 am Break

11-noon Keynote speaker

Dr. Elan Pochedley is the 1855 Professor of Great Lakes Anishinaabe Knowledge, Spiritualities, and Cultural Practices in the Department of Religious Studies at Michigan State University.

Noon-1 pm: Lunch break

Afternoon sessions Great Lakes This and That

- **1-1:25 pm *Conservation efforts in the Keweenaw Heartlands: A partnership with The Nature Conservancy***
 - Dr. Tyler Bassett, Michigan Natural Features Inventory
- **1:30-1:55 pm *Vegetation and marsh bird relationships with invasive *Phragmites australis* occurrence and management in Saginaw Bay***
 - Dr. Rachel Hackett, Michigan Natural Features Inventory
- **2-2:25 pm *What is Marine Debris?***
 - Jill Bartolotta, Ohio Sea Grant

Looking to the future

- **2:30-3 pm *What can YOU do? Practical ideas to help and communicate about our Great Lakes***
 - Brandon Schroeder and Cindy Hudson, Michigan Sea Grant
 - Adjourn - Go forth and share the Great Lakes love!