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The Flint Water Crisis: A Panel Discussion
Wednesday, November 18
6:00-8:00pm, 303 International Center

Please join moderator **Dr. Sara Fingal** (History/Lyman Briggs, Michigan State University) and panelists **Dr. Jennifer Carrera** (Sociology/Environmental Science & Policy Program, Michigan State University), **Dr. Susan Masten** (Civil and Environmental Engineering, Michigan State University), **Melissa Mays** (Water You Fighting For?), and **Claire McClinton** (Democracy Defense League) for a discussion and audience Q&A on the Flint water crisis.

Following the Flint city government's decision to no longer source its water supply from Detroit, but rather pump its water supply from the Flint River without properly treating it, old pipes further corroded and lead levels dangerously spiked, contaminating the water of Flint residents, businesses, and schools. Now the EPA has been called in to investigate Flint's water contamination and has recently announced it will audit the entire state's drinking water program to "ensure that MDEQ maintains reliable drinking water supplies that meet all of the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act."

PANELISTS:

Sara Fingal specializes in environmental history, twentieth century U.S. history, the history of coastal zone management, water resources, environmental politics, policy, and planning, and U.S. social movements. Her work to date ties together urban and rural history with an analysis of landscapes and ecosystems that transcend municipal, state, and national boundaries throughout North America. She has extensive experience performing oral history interviews with former civil rights and environmental activists, state politicians, officials, and employees.

Jennifer Carrera is part of the campus-wide Global Water Initiative. Her area of research focuses on environmental justice issues of access to clean water and sanitation in low-income communities domestically and internationally. Her work examines the role of power and exclusion in the production of marginalized spaces and bodies, using water as a surrogate for mapping power.

Susan Masten's research involves the use of chemical oxidants for the remediation of soils, water, and leachates contaminated with hazardous organic chemicals. She has been working extensively to develop water treatment technologies that are more effective and suitable for use in decentralized water treatment systems. She is currently testing a few samples from Flint for disinfection byproducts.

Melissa Mays is a founder of the citizen advocacy group Water You Fighting For and is often quoted in articles and interviews on the ongoing Flint water crisis (www.theguardian.com/us-news/2015/oct/04/flint-michigan-lead-water-children-health). In August 2015, WYFF distributed 300 test kits to households and worked with volunteer research scientists and grad students to get them tested in order to prove lead toxicity in the city water supply. She was among the petitioners to the EPA on October 1, 2015, urging them to take emergency action under the Safe Drinking Water Act in order to protect Flint residents from the toxic water conditions (www.nrdc.org/media/2015/151001a.asp).

Claire McClinton works extensively with Democracy Defense League and is often quoted in Michigan articles and interviews on the ongoing Flint water crisis. She was among the petitioners to the EPA on October 1, 2015, urging them to take emergency action under the Safe Drinking Water Act in order to protect Flint residents from the toxic water conditions (www.nrdc.org/media/2015/151001a.asp). She is also active with local and statewide community activities centered around exposing the dangers of the Emergency Manager law, and other organization affiliations include the Michigan Poverty Roundtable and Stand Up for Democracy.

This event is co-sponsored by the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen), Gender Justice & Environmental Change (GJEC), Community Sustainability, and Lyman Briggs at MSU.

Facebook event link: www.facebook.com/events/185649188444310/188498931492669/
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