

2022 HILL COUNTRY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

OUR SHARED STORIES: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29 | 8 AM - 6 PM | THE HALL @ JESTER KING

8:45 – 9:00	Welcome to the 2022 Hill Country Leadership Summit
9:00 – 10:00	The Power of Storytelling <i>Moderator: To be announced shortly</i> <i>Panelists: Maria Rocha - Indigenous Cultures Institute, Vanessa Torres – LBJ National Historical Park, Katy Baldock - Fin & Fur Films, Juan Martinez - The Aspen Institute</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Real Perspective from the Rural Hill Country <i>Judge Bella Rubio, Real County</i>
10:30 – 11:00	BREAK
11:00 – 11:15	Water and Equity – A Hill Country Study <i>Angelica Lopez, Texas A&M Natural Resources Institute</i>
11:15 – 11:45	What to Do When Springs Run Dry: Solutions to Tackle Drought and Growth <i>Vanessa Puig-Williams, Environmental Defense Fund and HCA Board</i> <i>Panelists: Dr. Robert Mace – The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment,</i> <i>Additional panelist to be announced shortly</i>
11:45 – 12:05	Heart of the Hill Country Award
12:05 – 1:00	LUNCH BREAK
1:00 – 2:00	Different Shades of Green <i>Keynote: David Buggs – Texas Parks and Wildlife Department</i>
2:00 – 2:30	BREAK
2:30 – 3:00	Lightning Round: Learning from the Past, Looking to the Future – 5 minutes each <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPWD's Guadalupe Bass Restoration Initiative: Reflecting on Thirty Years of Stewardship - <i>Melissa Parker, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department</i>• Nueces River Authority: 20 years of Engagement to Save a River – <i>Julie Lewey, Nueces River Authority</i>• Friends of the Night Skies - <i>Soll Sussman, Hays County Friends of the Night Sky</i>• Selah, Bamberger Ranch Preserve: Fifty-three Years (and Counting) of Restoration and Stewardship – <i>April Sansom, Selah, Bamberger Ranch Preserve</i>• <i>Two additional presentations to be announced shortly</i>
3:00 – 4:00	A Conversation with Regional Elected Officials <i>Moderator: David Yeates, Prosperity Bank and HCA Board</i> <i>Panelists: Representative Erin Zwiener, Kimble County Commissioner Don Durden, Kimble County Judge elect Hal Rose</i> Length: 60 minutes
4:00 – 6:00	HAPPY HOUR NETWORKING RECEPTION