

Lake Champlain Basin Program

Education & Outreach



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Goal:

Basin residents and visitors will understand and appreciate Lake Champlain Basin resources and will possess a sense of personal responsibility that results in behavioral changes and actions to reduce pollution.





E & O Team



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- Audiences & Messaging
- Current Work
- Core Areas
- Challenges

Audiences

- “General Public”
- Homeowners
- Teachers & Students
- Recreational users

Audiences

- Elected officials/Policy Makers
- Partners & Grantees
- Business community
- Scientific Community

Messaging

- State of the Lake issues
- Place-based education
- Who is helping
- Individual action
- How to get involved

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Staff Work Highlights

Resource Room

Staff welcomed
38,801 visitors in
2024.



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Staff Work Highlights

World Water Day 2025

31 watershed partners welcomed the public



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Watershed for Every Classroom

Led **16** K-12 educators on exploration of watershed science and cultural heritage.



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Community Fishing Workshops

Supported 3
community fishing
workshops with
Sea Grant and
other local
organizations



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Upward Bound Expedition Trips

Continued a long-standing partnership with SUNY Plattsburgh to support trips for first generation college bound high school students



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Outreach Stewards

Reached **2,987** people at fairs, farmer's markets, and other community events last year.



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Stream Wise

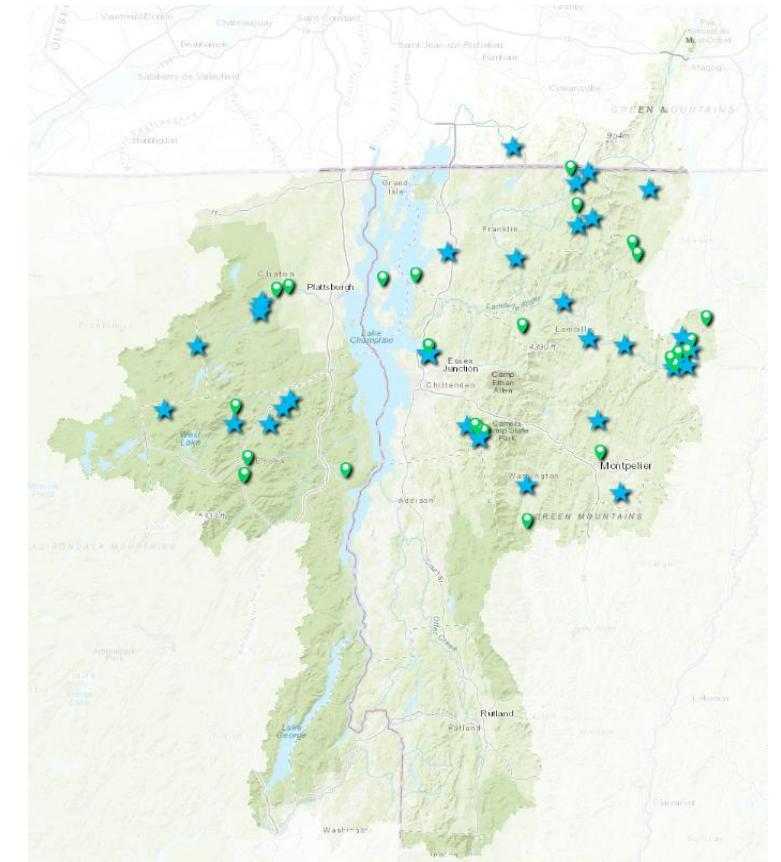
13 organizations participated in the 2024 season.

82 properties were assessed and

55 landowners earned the Stream Wise Award!



**STREAM
WISE RIVES
ACTIVES**



Stream Wise Award Map

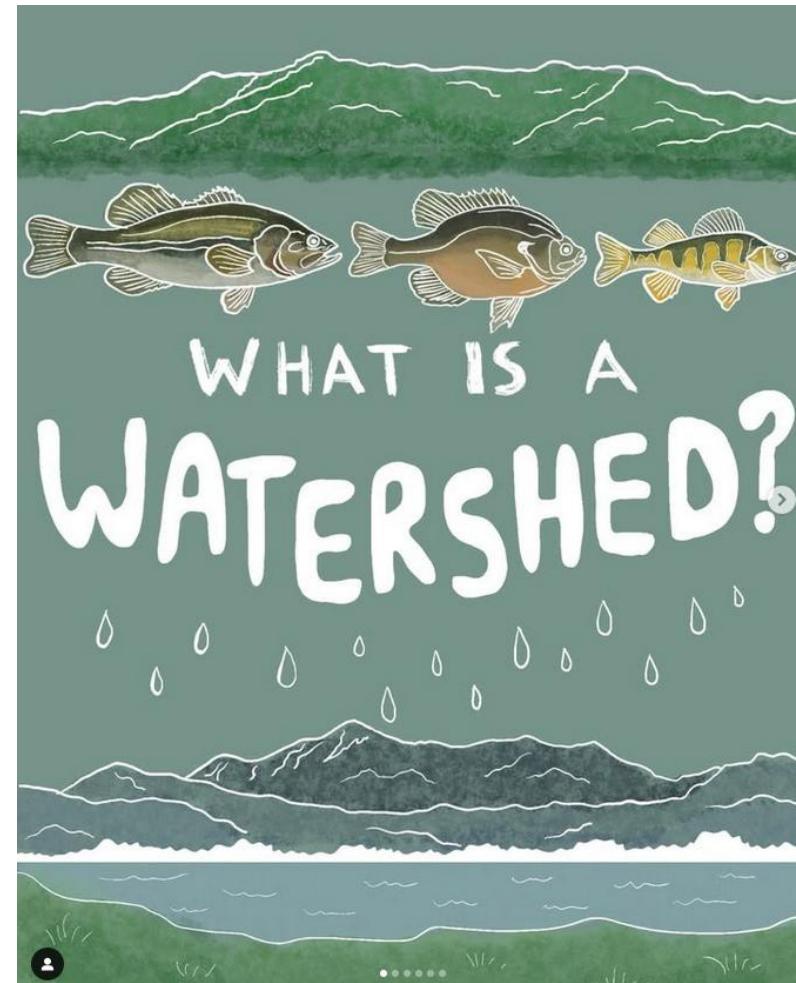
Explore the growing Stream Wise community.



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Web Social Media Casin' the Basin



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lakechamplainbasinprogram When it comes to protecting the waterbodies we love, like Lake Champlain, understanding watersheds helps connect actions on the land to water quality and ecosystem health in the lake.

So what is a watershed? Also referred to as a basin, a watershed is an area of land that drains water to a common outlet. Watersheds include all of the human, plant, and animal communities that live and interact within the basin's boundary.

Where do you live in our watershed? What sub-watersheds do you live, work, and recreate in? Visit atlas.lcbp.org or the link in our bio to view an interactive watershed map and learn more!

Original illustrations provided by Emma Dannenberg (@egd.wildlife.art)

31w



neiwpcc Love the graphics!

31w 3 likes Reply

♥



tu_northeast This is awesome! Great tool for illustrating the watershed.

12w 1 like Reply

♥



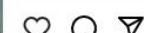
captainplanetismydad I love this! 🔥

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State of the Lake



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The Champlain Trio

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In Concert

Seven Vermont chamber music events not to miss this summer

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Summer is Vermont's finest season — at least if your measure is chamber music. Its practitioners fairly swarm the state from June through August, playing at festivals and concert series that span the length and breadth of the Green Mountains and environs. Here are seven not to miss.

Adamantly Local

The ANNE WASLY AND VIRA KOLISCH MUSIC EXPERIENCE CONCERT SERIES takes place in idyllic Adamant, an unincorporated village of Calais and a beautiful drive from anywhere on a summer day. This year's five concerts, coordinated by New York City-based pianist Adam Tandler, feature him and four other staples of the Vermont classical scene: the Champlain Trio (Letitia Quante, violin; Emily Taubl, cello; Hiromi Fukuda, piano); pianists Paul Orgel and Michael Arnovitt; and TURNmusic. Tandler, from Barre, earned a 2019 Lincoln Center Award for Emerging Artists. For the acclaimed *Inheritance*, he commissioned 16 of new music's starkest composers; a recording on New Amsterdam Records comes out in 2024.

The Anne Wasly and Vira Kolisch Music Experience, June 14, June 28, July 10, August 9 and August 30, 6 p.m., at Frank



Boulardet Quartet

Southmorel Memorial Arts Center & QuarryWorks in Adamant. Free. isam-quoterworks.org

Top to It

The main focus of the GREEN MOUNTAIN CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL is its 200-plus dedicated young string students, who practice for hours a day at Saint Michael's College in Colchester. But many of the festival's offerings are open to the public.

At Elley-Long Music Center, faculty and invited artists perform in an eight-concert series on Tuesdays and Fridays. This year's visiting quartets are the energizing Boulardet Quartet and the multiple Grammy Award-winning Pacifica Quartet.

Locals can also hear the students give recitals, or surprise shoppers with live music at "quartet hops" on July 12 and 19 on Burlington's Church Street Marketplace.

Elsewhere, catch a master class



Mary Rowell

Photo: Courtesy of Fran Rowell

Summer Preview

with eminent cellist Norman Fischer and informative "conversations" about aspects of the music with Vermont choral director Nathaniel Lew.

Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival, June 29 through August 3 at Elley-Long Music Center in Colchester and other venues. Free to \$50. gmcf.org

Play On, Players

CRAFTSBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS have hosted visiting and Vermont chamber musicians annually since 1966. In place of lectures and master classes, music director and cellist Fran Rowell provides extensive program notes and leads casual preconcert talks by the musicians. The group, which includes Fran's violinist sister, Mary Rowell, will perform six concerts on Wednesdays at Colchester's Elley-Long Music Center and repeat those programs on Thursdays at the Hardwick Town House. The Players tend to lean on enduring masterworks while adding one new piece per program. This year, they'll feature violinist Kenji Bunch's "The Viola Burns Longer" (2024) for solo violin, piano and string quartet; and pianist Inessa Zaretsky's "Songs" (2025) for alto voice, viola and piano.

Craftsbury Chamber Players, Wednesdays, July 9 to August 13, at Elley-Long Music Center in Colchester; and Thursdays, July 10 to August 14, at Hardwick Town House. \$10-25. cpcvt.org

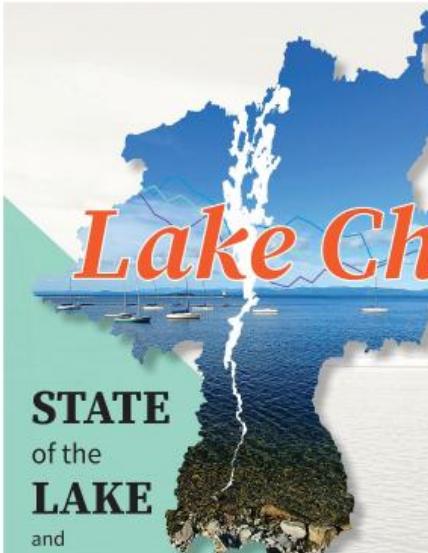
Well Read

MANCHESTER MUSIC FESTIVAL's 51st season, "Music and Storytelling," will draw a literary crowd as much as a musical one. One of its five Thursday-night concerts traces the literary connections of Ludwig van Beethoven's Kreutzer Sonata — which inspired poems by Rita Dove, a novella by Leo Tolstoy and Leoš Janáček's String Quartet No. 1. An entire musical-theatrical work inspired by the Faust story caps the season: Igor Stravinsky's *L'histoire du soldat*, with film actor Davis Strathairn (Good Night, and Good Luck) as the soldier and soprano Christine Goerke as the devil. Other eminences on the program include former Emerson String Quartet violinist Philip Setzer, now in his second year as the festival's artistic director; Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Powers; and harpist Randall Scarlata singing six poems by Powers that composer Perry Goldstein set to music and premiered in 2022.

Manchester Music Festival, July 10 through August 7, at Arikell Pavilion at Southern Vermont Arts Center in Manchester and other venues. \$15-80. mmfv.org

Photo: Fran Rowell

STATE of the LAKE



STATE of the LAKE and Ecosystem Indicators Summary Report

Lake Champlain provides high quality drinking water, beaches that are safe for swimming at most times, and habitat for 90 fish species and other wildlife. However, human activities pose threats to several parts of the Lake and its watershed.

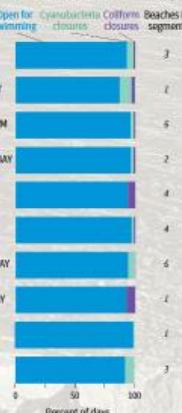
About 24% of the Basin's population (164,000 people) enjoy safe and reliable drinking water from the Lake.

With one exception, the 19 public community suppliers drawing from Lake Champlain met or exceeded all water quality standards in 2021-2022.

Fish can be safely eaten when consumption advisories are followed.

Mercury is a common contaminant in fish across the globe. Mercury levels in five key Lake Champlain fish species have decreased since the 1990s.

PUBLIC BEACH STATUS, 2021-2023



The 31 public beaches analyzed in the report were open 95% of the time during the summer.

The small percentage of closures were due to cyanobacteria blooms that can occur on the hottest days and elevated coliform bacteria levels that can occur after rainstorms.



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E&O Grants

- Small & Large EO Grants
- Professional Development Grants
- Educator Mini-Grants (boots and bugs)



Artist-in- Residence



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Video Production

2 new “Meet the
Scientist” videos



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Champlain Basin Education Initiative



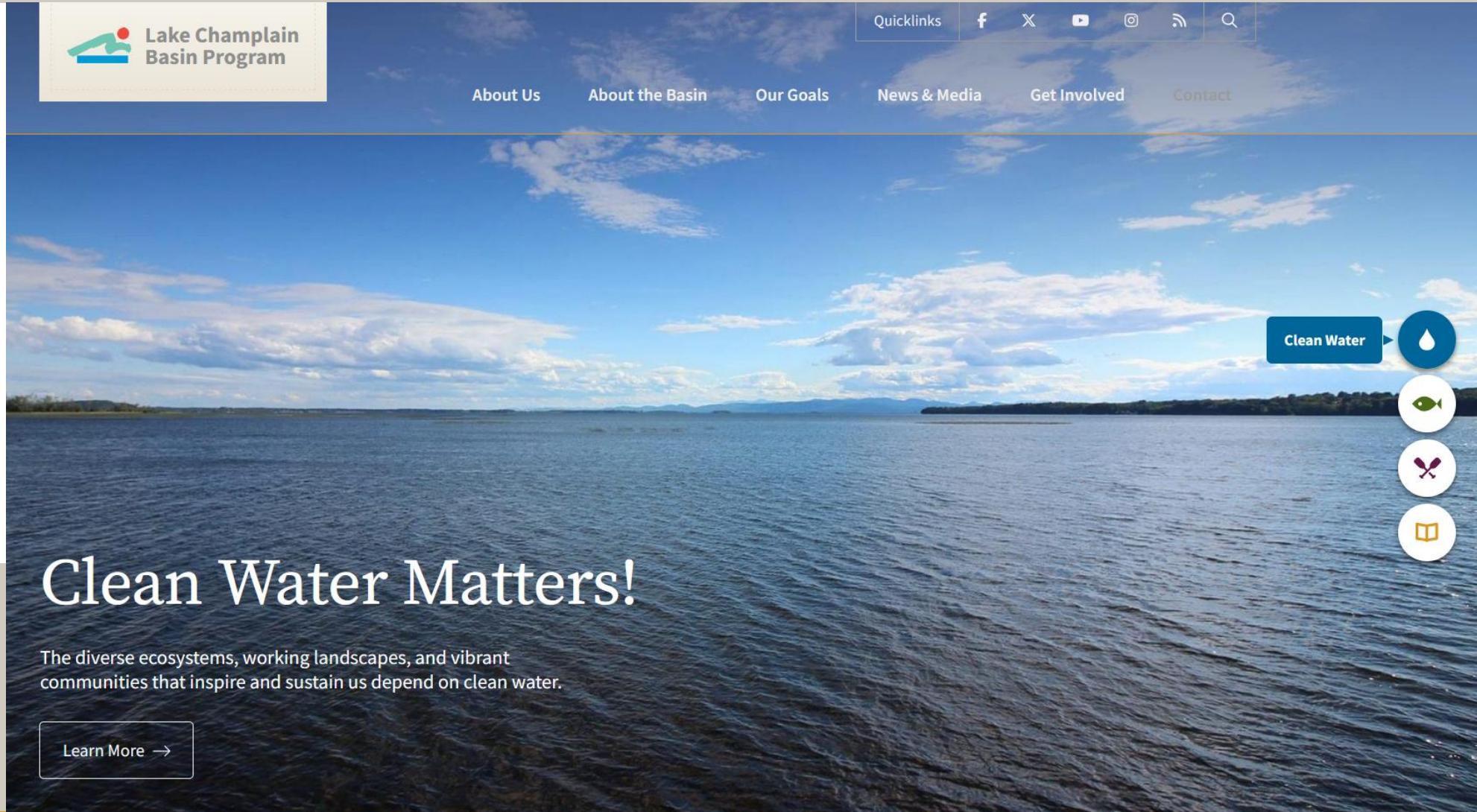
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E&O Stewards



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LCBP Website Update



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Lake Champlain Basin Atlas Website

The image shows the homepage of the Lake Champlain Basin Atlas website. The header features a large, semi-transparent watermark with the words "EXPLORE YOUR LAKE" in white. The background of the page is a map of the Lake Champlain basin, showing the lake, rivers, and various locations. On the left side, there is a sidebar with a logo of a location pin containing a small mountain and lake icon. Below the logo, the text "Lake Champlain Basin Atlas" is displayed. The sidebar also contains four categories with icons: "PEOPLE & ECONOMY" (person icon), "NATURE & ENVIRONMENT" (leaf and water drop icon), "HERITAGE & RECREATION" (fork and knife icon), and "ISSUES IN THE BASIN" (flag icon). On the right side of the page, there is a dark blue callout box with the text "Explore the abundant natural resources and rich history of the Lake Champlain Basin with these maps, figures, fact sheets and additional resources." Below this text is a link "ABOUT THE ATLAS >".



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Property Assessment Program



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Social Marketing Campaign(s)



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Keep Our Lakes Clean. Not Green.

Even if you live far from a lake or river, your lawn and yard care can affect water quality. You can help keep Lake Champlain clean!

Learn How You Can Help



Lawn to
Lake



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Media Relations



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Assessment & Evaluation



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Reaching New Audiences



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