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UST to Host 2009 Lee Lecture in English with Anne McCutchan: 'Water Music: Writing the Rhythms of a River'

WHAT: The annual Lee Lecture in English, titled 'Water Music: Writing the Rhythms of a River" sponsored by the University of St. Thomas English Department

WHO: Anne McCutchan, musician and author will discuss the intersection of science and the humanities in her current book project, "Water Music: Rhythms of a River."

WHEN: 7 p.m. Thursday, April 2

WHERE: University of St. Thomas
Cullen Hall, 4001 Mt. Vernon
Parking: Moran Center, 3807 Graustark at W. Alabama

BACKGROUND: McCutchan's book, "Water Music: Rhythms of a River," examines environmental changes in Louisiana's Atchafalaya River Basin by way of the life and work of Earl Robicheaux, Morgan City composer, naturalist, phonographer and oral historian. The book aims to show how the 1.4 million-acre basin, the largest river swamp in North America, has shaped the lives of those who live there, and how its residents have increasingly shaped it. McCutchan's presentation includes a reading from her work.

Colleagues and friends of the late Rev. Edward G. Lee, CSB, established the Lee Lecture in 1979 to bring outstanding figures from the arts and humanities to UST. It has featured such distinguished speakers as Edward Albee, Larry McMurtry, Gwendolyn Brooks and Paul Elie.

COST: Free and open to the public.

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