

New for 2025: The Gateway Outdoor Expo will debut the **Basecamp Presentation Area** on the show floor — a space where local experts share insights on topics ranging from long-distance paddling and conservation to how cycling can transform lives.

Join us for a weekend of educational and inspiring sessions, **November 15-16** at the **St. Charles Convention Center.**

Saturday

10:30-11:00 a.m.

Uprise Conservation: Citizen Conservation in Action

Presenter: Chris Bauer, Creative Director, Uprise Conservation

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Where the Current Leads: Tales from the Big Rivers

Moderator: Dean Klinkenberg, travel writer and podcast host Panelists: Eddy L. Harris and Janet Moreland, expedition paddlers

1:30-2:00 p.m.

How Gear Libraries Are Changing Outdoor Access

Presenters: Chris Geden, Director of Community Engagement, River City Outdoors; Steve Schnarr, Race Director, Missouri River Relief

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Honoring the 2025 River City Outdoors Micro-Grant Awardees

Presenter: Brad Kovach, Publisher, Terrain Magazine

Honorees: To be announced

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Creating Outdoors for All: A Conversation with River City Outdoors

Moderator: Shawn Donnelly, Managing Editor, Terrain Magazine

Panelists: Matt Green, Director, River City Outdoors; Brad Kovach, Publisher, Terrain Magazine

Sunday

10:30-11:00 a.m.

Trailblazers: Origin Stories of Three Local Outdoor Brands

Moderator: Brad Kovach, Publisher, Terrain Magazine

Panelists: Constance Young, Co-Founder, Constantia Gear; Juno Musonda, Founder, Ope Outdoors; Dan

Chancellor, Co-Founder, So iLL

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The MR340 Story: Told by Those Who've Paddled It

Presenter: Steve Schnarr, Race Director, Missouri River Relief

Panelists: MR340 participants to be announced

1:30-2:00 p.m.

More Than Racing: Stories from Missouri's Student Cyclists

Presenters: Chris Mileski and Annie Schwartz, Co-Directors, Missouri Interscholastic Cycling League (MICL)

Panelists: MICL student-athletes to be announced

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Fresh Footprints: Two New Books Explore Missouri's Outdoor Spaces

Presenters: Michael Jordan, author of Hiking Missouri; Brett Dufur, author of The Complete Rock Island Trail

Guidebook: Past, Present & Future