## Conservation Photography is photography with a purpose

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Moves beyond the mere creation of photographs that simply celebrate the beauty of nature into a position of leadership requiring one to be instrumental in the creation of conservation photography initiatives designed to help protect threatened areas For every place there will always be people that want to exploit it, and there will always be people—hopefully—that want to save it and keep it as it is. Even with the risk of inviting the crowds into paradise, better to publish your photographs and rally the troops.

What's in the frame of the photograph matters artistically, to be sure, but what's outside the frame can destroy it.

- Philip Hyde

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#### Oklahoma Rivers



Arkansas River



Glover River



Cimarron River



Neosho River



Caney River



Red River



Washita River



Kiamichi River



Little River



Upper Mountain Fork River



Lower Mountain Fork River



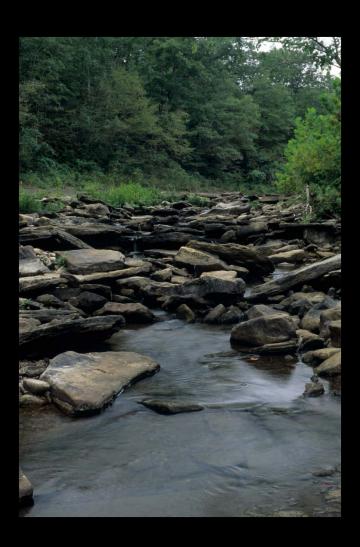
North Fork of the Red River



Elm Fork of the Red River



Lee Creek



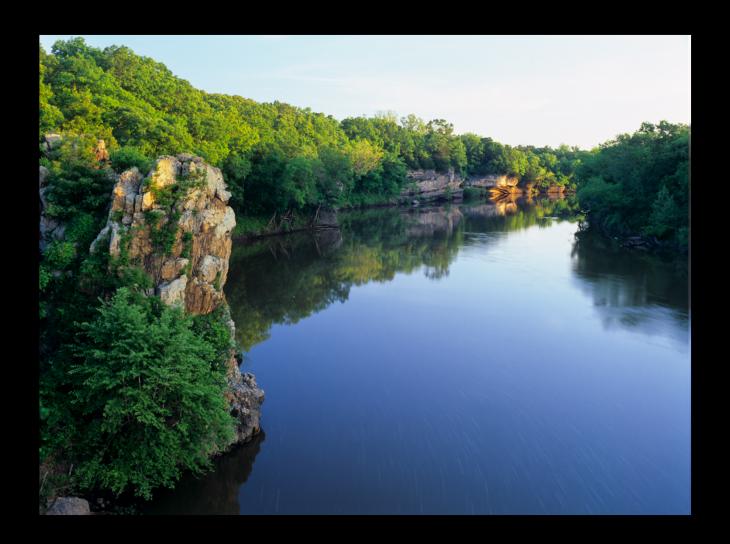
Little Lee Creek



Blue River



Flint Creek



Spring River

#### Illinois River Survey

The Illinois River Survey was a collaborative, image-based conservation photography initiative organized with the mission to create and use compelling photography that has the power to inform and change people's minds about the need for conservation and preservation of the Illinois River.

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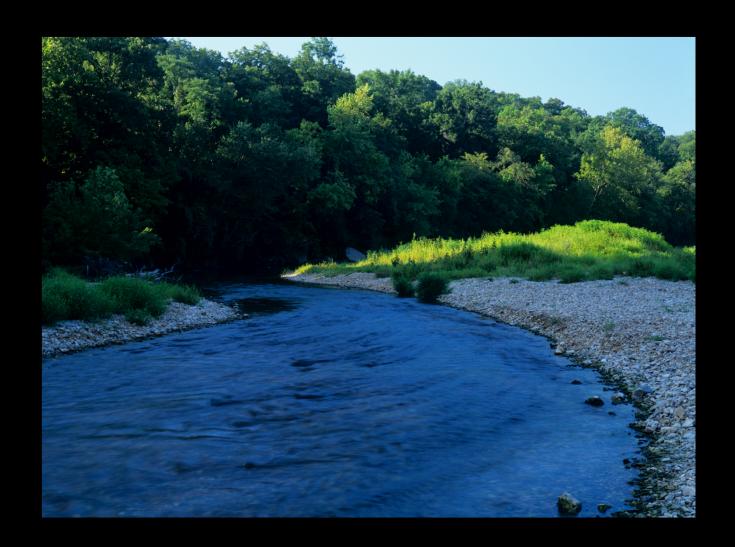
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- Oklahoma Conservation Commission's Blue Thumb Program
- Oklahoma Chapter of the Nature Conservancy
- Oklahoma Biological Survey and Natural Areas Registry
- Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation
- Oklahoma Water Resources Board
- The Illinois River Ranch
- Walker Creative
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Illinois River



Confluence of Barren Fork and Illinois River



Barren Fork River



Illinois River from Goat's Bluff



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Hike on Nichols Preserve







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### Illinois River Survey Group Photography Exhibition

April 20 – May 4, 2012 – Williams Center downtown Tulsa

August – Canebrake – Fort Gibson Lake

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