



On **Monday, March 16**, *Tapping Our Watershed* presents “**From Creek to Sewer: History of Topographical Change in Philadelphia**” with Adam Levine, historical consultant at the Philadelphia Water Department.

Tapping Our Watershed is held on the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at [National Mechanics](#) in Philadelphia’s Old City.



Levine will present an overview of the fascinating history of Philadelphia’s many lost streams. Illustrated with a wide range of graphic materials including paintings and drawings, maps and plans, photographs and surveys, this talk stretches across the breadth of the city’s long history and highlights how, over the course of several centuries, most of the city’s surface streams have been channeled underground and incorporated into the city’s 3,000 mile sewer system.

[Adam Levine](#) has served as historical consultant to the Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) since 1998 where he manages the PWD Historical Collection, and also maintains an extensive [website](#) of watershed and water supply material. In addition to presenting at a variety of conferences, universities, high schools, and neighborhood groups, Levine also works as a consultant and is an award-winning writer, with an extensive background in newspaper, book and magazine work. In a related career path, he writes about [gardening](#) and is the author of many articles and four books, including *Gale Nurseries: Four Generations of garden Excellence* (2008), and *A Guide to the Great Gardens of the Philadelphia Region* (2007).

The event is free and open to the public. More information can be found on our [Meetup page](#). Food and drink will be available for purchase at the bar. All ages are welcome, but you must be 21 to drink.

We hope you can join us for a fun and informal evening of scientific discussion!

Held in a comfortable, happy-hour setting, Tapping Our Watershed invites you to sit back, relax, and raise a glass to water science! Sophisticated enough for the experienced scientist but formatted for the casual guest, this lecture series taps into watershed issues on a deeper level. Follow us on Twitter: [@ANSSStreamTeam](#).