

## Media Alert

### Losing a Legacy: Disappearing Glaciers

#### A photographic story of the Glaciers in Glacier National Park

**What:** Losing a Legacy: Disappearing Glaciers

**Dan Fagre**, USGS Researcher will present a photographic story that blends the science of climate change research with the aesthetic of landscape photography from Glacier National Park.

**John Fery (1859-1934): Glacier National Park's Artist-in-Residence**

**Dr. Kristin Makhholm**, Minnesota Museum of American Art, will illustrate **John Fery's** relationship to Glacier National Park, using one of **Fery's** paintings of Glacier National Park as an example.

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**When:** Saturday, May 15; 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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**Where:** 80 West Fourth Street, St. Paul, MN 55102

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**Fee:** Event at no charge; Open to the public

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**Highlights:** The event is FREE to attend. No RSVP required.

10:00 a.m. – Lecture by **Dan Fagre**, USGS Researcher

11:00 a.m. – Lecture by **Dr. Kristin Makhholm**, Minnesota Museum of American Art

12:00 p.m. – Repeat lecture by **Dan Fagre**

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**Details:** **Dan Fagre**, Research Ecologist and Climate Change Research Coordinator for Northern Rocky Mountain Science Center, USGS and author of the exhibit, *Losing A Legacy: Disappearing Glaciers*, will present a photographic story that blends the science of climate change research with the aesthetic of landscape photography from Glacier National Park. Fagre will discuss worldwide glacial recession and predictions that all of the glaciers in Glacier National Park will melt by the year 2030.

“Fagre’s lecture incorporates striking images, pairing historic glacier images with recent, contemporary photos. These images allow viewers to better understand how climate change contributes to the dynamic landscape changes so evident in Glacier National Park,” said Jennifer Prendergast, Glacier National Park Fund.

**Dr. Kristin Makhholm**, Executive Director of Minnesota Museum of American Art, will illustrate **John Fery's** relationship to Glacier National Park, using one of **Fery's** paintings of the Park as an example. James J. Hill’s son, Louis W. Hill, often commissioned Fery to paint outdoor scenes of the Park, which were hung in Great Northern Railway’s train stations, promoting travel to Glacier National Park. **Fery’s featured painting will be on display from May 10 through May 21.**

The lectures are part of *Minnesota Springs for Glacier*, a series of events and exhibits held on May 14-15 in downtown St. Paul to celebrate Glacier’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday as a national park. The event is organized by Glacier National Park Fund and is co-sponsored by The James J. Hill Reference Library.

To learn more about this event, please visit [www.jhill.org/events](http://www.jhill.org/events) or call 651.265.5500.

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**Notes:** News photography and filming at the event permitted. Media access to the event at no charge.

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