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The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana has a scary story to tell at Rougarou Fest

Residents are invited to learn about coastal land loss on October 21 and 22.

The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana is bringing its Restoration on the Half Shell event to Rougarou Fest in Houma this weekend, and you're invited. Restoration on the Half Shell is a free educational event designed to deepen public understanding of the land loss crisis in Louisiana. With several engaging activities and insightful sessions, this event promises to give you the chills, but it's not just a scary story; the event will also cover information about the methods being employed to combat land loss.

Restoration on the Half Shell will take place on the Narrative Stage at Rougarou Fest, at 86 Valhi Blvd., Houma, LA 70360. Registration is [online](#).

At the event, the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana will showcase its Community Arts Living Shoreline Project; share an information station with valuable resources and insights about coastal restoration and preservation; give a "Coastal 101" presentation that will help build a foundational understanding of coastal challenges and their impacts; and provide an update on CRCL's programs.

The event will also include the "Night of the Living Shoreline" panel discussion, a dynamic conversation with experts from various fields. The panelists will be moderator Lanor Curole, program director at United Houma Nation; Dr. Alisha Renfro, coastal scientist at Restore the Mississippi River Delta; Irvin Louque, outreach coordinator at International Crane Foundation; Polly Glover, project coordinator at Restore or Retreat; and Al DuVernay, a volunteer at the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana.

"We've got some scary stories about coastal land loss, but we'll also be talking about solutions," said Brett Pickett, outreach coordinator at CRCL.

CRCL was the first statewide nonprofit dedicated to confronting land loss in Louisiana, where about 2,000 square miles of wetlands have been converted into open water in less than a century. Its mission is to unite people in action to achieve a thriving, sustainable Louisiana coast for all. The organization holds volunteer events across Louisiana's coast, including in Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes, where it recently completed construction on its fifth oyster reef, this one in partnership with the Pointe-au-Chien tribe, and where it recently planted bald cypress trees in the Pointe-aux-Chenes Wildlife Management Area.

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[The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana](#) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to unite people in action to achieve a thriving, sustainable Louisiana coast for all. Incorporated in 1988, CRCL represents a unique mix of businesses, local governments, industries, scientific communities, national and local conservation groups, hunters, anglers and a broad spectrum of concerned citizens who all share a common vision and commitment to the sustainability of coastal Louisiana.