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**FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION ON APRIL 21 AT NOON
ADVENTURES IN ALABAMA'S MOBILE – TENSAW DELTA
PRESENTED BY WATT KEY**

Montgomery, AL (4/5/16) - *Food for Thought* continues another year of fascinating and informative presentations on the rich history of Alabama at the **Alabama Department of Archives and History** on **Thursday, April 21 at noon**. Award-winning author Watt Key will present *Adventures in Alabama's Mobile – Tensaw Delta*.

Second in size only to the Mississippi River Delta, the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, or “the swamp,” consists of almost 260,000 acres of wetlands located just north of Mobile Bay, formed by the confluence of the Alabama and Tombigbee Rivers. Watt Key, a Mobile native, first visited the delta twenty years ago and there have been few weekends since that he has not made it his retreat.

In this presentation, Key will discuss the natural wonders of the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, the difficulties of survival within it, and the extraordinary community of characters who live, thrive, and perish there.

Key is a southern fiction novelist, screenwriter, and speaker. His debut novel, *Alabama Moon*, was released to national acclaim in 2006, won the prestigious E.B. White Read-Aloud Award, sold over 250,000 copies domestically, and has been made into a feature film starring John Goodman. In 2015, *Alabama Moon* was listed by TIME Magazine as one of the top 100 young-adult books of all time. Other works by Key include *Dirt Road Home* (2010), *Fourmile* (2012), *Among the Swamp People* (2015), and *Terror at Bottle Creek* (2016). In addition to his numerous novels and screenplays, Watt writes fiction and nonfiction articles for both local and national publications.

Food for Thought is made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a brown bag lunch. Complimentary beverages are provided. **Admission to *Food for Thought* is always FREE.**

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. It is the state's government records repository, special collections library and research facility, and is home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. To learn more, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 242-4364.

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