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Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Justice & Accessibility

Air Quality and Community Health
May 5, 2021, 3:30 – 4:30

Speaker Biographies

Jan-Michael Archer is a Ph.D. student at the University of Maryland's School of Public Health and a UMD-NSF Global STEWARD Fellow. In 2016, Archer dove into the world of outdoor education -- working with conservation organizations throughout the Chesapeake Bay region. While he enjoyed connecting young folks with nature, he wanted to address the diversity gap in outdoor recreation. Five years later, he is doing that and more. As a member of the Center for Community Engagement, Environmental Justice, and Health (CEEJH), Archer employs community science practices to develop relationships and capacities within communities of color.

Brittney Drakeford is a believer in FATE – the practice of combining faith, arts, and technology to energize communities to create equitable places for generations today and tomorrow. She is a current PhD student in the Urban and Regional Planning and Design Program at the University of Maryland College Park; an alumna of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (B.A. in African American Studies and B.S. in Journalism and Mass Communications 2009). Her research and practice centers on the effects of political marginalization and the ways in which the built environment and public infrastructure hold the memories of discrimination, exacerbating adverse health outcomes.

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