

Preliminary Program of Panels by Stream

Critical Pedagogies Stream

A Manifesto for the Agricultural Humanities

Chair: Saskia Cornes

- Saskia Cornes, Duke University, "Farming as Praxis in the Humanities"
- Laura Sayre, Independent Scholar, "On the Resistance of Georgic: A Creative Exploration"
- Leah Bayens, Sterling College, "The Liberal Arts Farmer"
- Jeremy Oldfield, Yale Sustainable Farm Program, "Humanities Course Collaborations at the Yale Farm""

"Object Lessons: Teaching Ecocriticism via Visual Culture" Part 1

Chair: Maura Coughlin and Emily Gephart

- Maura Coughlin, Bryant University, Elodie La Villette, The Bas Fort Blanc Path, Dieppe, (1885), oil on canvas
- Jaimey Hamilton, University of Hawai'i, Dan Lin, Kathy Jetñil-Kijiner, Aka Niviâna, et. al, RISE: From One Island to Another, (2018) video poem
- Aurélie Matheron, Fabrice Monteiro, The Prophecy (2014 present), photographs
- Michaela Rife, University of Michigan, Bounty (1940), tempera mural
- Elizabeth Hutchinson, Barnard College/Columbia University, Thomas Moran, Gardiner Hot Springs, Yellowstone (1872), watercolor

"Object Lessons: Teaching Ecocriticism via Visual Culture" Part 2

Chair: Maura Coughlin and Emily Gephart

- Delia Byrnes, Allegheny College, Louie Palu, Arctic Passage (2019).
- Daniel Finch-Race, University of Venice, Vincent van Gogh, Factories at Clichy (1887)
- **Gretchen Henderson**, University of Texas, Robert Smithson, Spiral Jetty (1970)
- Jen Garcia Peacock, Davidson College, Zeke Pena, The River (2018)
- Emily Gephart, Tufts University, Winslow Homer, Life-Sized Black Bass,-1904

Make Kin, Not Capitalists: Imagining Collaborative Futures

Chair: Erik Fuhrer

- Erik Fuhrer, University of Notre Dame, The Syllabus as a Model of Kinship
- Wren Hanks, Animal Care Centers of NYC, Moving Beyond Welfare: Interspecies Kinship and Connection in Animal Rescue
- Elsa Barron, University of Notre Dame, Paradise Imagined: Environmental Education in Carceral Spaces
- Lidya Abreha, University of Notre Dame, Consequences of Design: Kinship Models in Engineering

Pedagogical Contributions of The Latin American Ecocultural Reader to the Classroom (Roundtable Format)

Chair: Gisela Heffes

- **Gisela Heffes**, Rice University
- Jennifer French, Williams College
- Jeremy Larochelle, University of Mary Washington

WLA Sponsored Panel: Ecocritical Pedagogies and Western Literature

Chair: Sarah Jane Kerwin, University of Michigan

• **Daniel Clausen**, Transylvania University, "Reading the Nebraska Sandhills: Teaching Literature and Environment at Cedar Point Biological Station"

- Karen Roybal, Colorado College, "Place-Based Learning: Moving Outside the Traditional Classroom & So Far From God"
- Surabhi Balachander, University of Michigan, "Teaching Western Literature to Midwestern Students I Will Never Meet in Person"
- William Lombardi, Feather River College, "Among Burnt Trees: A Cultural Natural History"

Storytelling for Interspecies Compassion

Chair: Bryan H. Nichols, Florida Atlantic University

- **Bryan H. Nichols**, Florida Atlantic University, Storytelling for Interspecies Compassion Summation & Framework for Future
- **Patty Born**, Hamline University School of Education, How environmental literature can nurture multispecies relations between animals and young children
- Heidi Lawrence, University of Glasgow, Brigham Young University, Kinship between Human and Nonhuman in Madeleine L'Engle's A Ring of Endless Light
- **Dona Soman & Renu Bhadola Dangwal**, National Institute of Technology, Uttarakhand, India, Exploring Pedagogical Possibilities of Stories: Revisiting *Panchatantra* towards Compassionate Living
- **Rodney Stephens**, Chair of the English Department at Howard Payne University, Aquatic Narratives and Ocean Conservation

APPROACHES TO OUTDOOR & SERVICE LEARNING

Chair: Christopher Foley

- Netta Baryosef-Paz, Nirit Assaf-Reizel, and Dafna Gan, Kibbutzim College of Education, Technology and the Arts, "A Word for Nature"*: A Critical Reflection on A Desert Experience Literature Course
- Christopher Foley, Alen Hajnal, University of Southern Mississippi, and Elizabeth Englebretson, Mississippi State University Extension, Environmental Attitudes & the Service-Learning Classroom: A Case Study from the Mississippi Gulf Coast
- Yelizaveta Renfro, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, A Laboratory for Emerging Ideas: The Field Notebook in Nature & Environmental Writing

BUILDING ECOAWARENESS IN STUDENTS & TEACHERS

Chair: Nina Goga

- Nina Goga and Lykke Guanio-Uluru, Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Ecocritical dialogues enabling sustainability competency and environmental awareness in teacher education
- JYOTISHMAN KALITA, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MANDI, HIMACHAL PRADESH, Teaching Ecology through Folklore: A Proposition for Ecocritical Pedagogy
- **Brianna Anderson**, University of Florida, Ecophobia and Fantasies of Exceptionalism in Lauren Tarshis's I Survived Series

Creative Teaching Projects & Approaches

Chair: Kathryn Kirkpatrick

- Kathryn Kirkpatrick, Appalachian State University, Animal Poetics and Teaching Modern Irish Poetry
- Alexandra Rahr, University of Toronto, Concrete Forests: The Art of Marketing Skyscrapers
- Laura Rappa, Independent scholar, Environmental Humanities and Education: the responsibility of the teacher in developing critical competencies
- Adam Tompkins, Lakeland University Japan, Walking with Thoreau in Tokyo: Playing 19th Century Nature Writing in a 21st Century Pandemic

Ecojustice Pedagogies I

Chair: Kyhl Lyndgaard

- **Kyhl Lyndgaard**, College of Saint Benedict / Saint John's University, Bringing an Environmental Literature Survey to Justice
- **Ryan Marnane**, Bryant University, Exploring Assessment Ecologies: Cultivating Joy and Dismantling Systems of Domination in the (EH) Classroom
- Alexander Menrisky, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth/University of Connecticut, Interdisciplinarity and Community Engagement in the Environmental Justice Classroom: A Sample Curriculum and Assignment Arc

Ecojustice Pedagogies II

Chair: Ji Eun Lee

- Jessica Marion Barr and Erica Nol, Trent University, Revelations in a Bird Course: expanding social justice awareness in arts and sciences teaching
- Matthew Bruen and Kristen Brown, Young Harris College, Using Print Culture Analysis to Recover Black Experiences of Nature
- Ji Eun Lee, Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU), Colonial Landscapes: The EmergencE/Y of Victorian Africa

Ecomedia in & Beyond the Classroom

Chair: Orchid Tierney

- Jennifer Atkinson, University of Washington, Bothell, Dispatches from the End of the World: Coping with Existential Dread through Podcasts & Collaborative Storytelling
- Antonio Lopez, John Cabot University, Ecomedia Literacy: Incorporating Environmental Humanities into Teaching Media
- **Orchid Tierney**, Kenyon College, Climate Change Pedagogies: Podcasts and the Public Humanities

Teaching in Catastrophic Times

Chair: Anne Raine

- Anne Raine, University of Ottawa, The Inner Work of Climate Justice: Teaching Mindfulness as Ecopolitical Praxis
- Heather Ringo, UC Davis / Solano Community College, Disaster Pedagogy: The Classroom at the End of the World
- Elspeth Tulloch, Université Laval, "Exploring Loss of Place in the Personal Essay: Creative Responses, Pedagogical Considerations"

Disease and Health Humanities Stream

Ontologies of Nature, Indigenous Spirituality and Human/Nonhuman Health in Contemporary Latin American Cultures

Chair: Azucena Castro and Milton Fernando González Rodriguez

- Milton Fernando Gonzalez Rodriguez, KU Leuven, "Visual Healing –Circulation of Ideas about Indigenous Knowledges in Visual Culture"
- Lucía Leandro Hernández, University of Barcelona, "The days after the end of the world"
- **Nuno Márquez**, Ph.D. and independent researcher at University of Umeå, "Epistemic breathing and suffocating in Brazilian ecopoetry"
- Gianfranco Selgas, University of Stockholm, "Canaima Reloaded: Slow Violence, Extractivism,
- Azucena Castro, University of Buenos Aires, "Don't ask fire more than it can answer. Forest fires and biodiversity loss in Argentinian culture"

Multimedia & Education

Chair: TBA

- Amy Weldon, Luther College, Our Malady: Teaching Ecology, Technology, and the Body
- **Caitlin Stobie**, University of Leeds, Abiogenesis: Cellular Environments, Poetry, and the Leeds Creative Labs
- Bishnupriya Ghosh, University of California, Santa Barbara, Medium as Milieu
- **Olga Timurgalieva**, City University of Hong Kong, On potential pathogenicity and microbial fluidity in art and biology

Illness & Literature

Chair Name TBA

- Vidya Sarveswaran, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY JODHPUR, Dying to Live: Solastalgia and Soliphilia as Diptcyhs in Charlotte Mcconaghy's Migrations
- **Hilary Bedder**, Anglia Ruskin University, The problematic intellect: re-engagement with the natural world through partial sightedness in Thomas Hardy's The Return of the Native
- Isabel Lane, Boston College Prison Education Program, Rewriting the Metaphors of Illness in Varlam Shalamov's Gulag

• **Sonakshi Srivastava**, Indraprastha University, Delhi, India, Through the Looking S(I)ide: Configuring Relations between Humans and Microbes

Pandemics Past and Present

Chair: TBA

- Ilan Kelman, University College London and University of Agder, Slow healing (shealing) for COVID-19
- Basak Almaz, Istanbul Aydın University, For whom the ancient bell tolls: Emergence of past diseases and climate justice
- **Nikoleta Zampaki**, PhD Candidate in Modern Greek Literature, Faculty of Literature. NKUA. Greece, The Narration of Pandemics: An Ecophenomenological Approach

Gender and Reproduction

Chair: Katrina Dunn

- **Katrina Dunn**, University of Manitoba, Aging Women and the Apocalypse: Three dramatic representations
- Jenny James, Pacific Lutheran University, (In)fertile Waters: The Co-Implicated Ethics of Queer Reproduction and Cetacean Die-Off
- **Cassandra Galentine**, University of Oregon, "There's nobody with common sense that can look down on the domestic worker": Dirt, Disease, and Hygiene in Alice Childress's Like one of the Family

Toxicity, Coloniality, and Environmental Health

Chair: TBA

- Michael Boyden, Radboud University Nijmegen, From Effluvia to Chemicals: Techniques of Self in Tropical Health Narratives
- Kaitlin Blanchard, McMaster University, Visceral Emergencies: The Good Mind and the Plastic Gut
- **Siobhan Angus**, Yale University, A Visual History of Slow Violence: Photography and Environmental Health in LaToya Ruby Frazier's Flint Is Family

Film and Emotion

Chair: Fazila Derya Agis

- Amelia Shein, Duke University, "Are You Allergic to the 20th Century?": Slow Epistemic Violence and Debility in Todd Haynes' "Safe"
- **Robert Geal**, University of Wolverhampton, UK, Watching films about fictional pandemics: a masochistic illusion of control over uncontrollable real-world events
- Fazila Derya Agis, University of the People, THE ECO-EMERGENGY CALLS AGAINST VIRUSES IN "ANDROMEDA STRAIN" (1969) AND "ISTANBUL IN TERROR" (1966)

Consoling Affects, Healing Ecologies

Chair: Mary Kuhn and Sara Torres

- Sara Torres, Converse College, "Greening Pandemic Literature: Social Justice and Healing Ecologies"
- Laura L. Howes, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, "Grounding Gawain"
- JuPong Lin, Antioch University and Goddard College, "Poetics of Repair: Being Earth, Being Water"

Eco-Theory Stream

Red and Green Futurities

Chair: Caren Irr, Brandeis University

- Ben Baer, Princeton, "Denials"
- John Maerhofer, Rutgers, "On Guerilla Ecology and the Eco-Communist Imaginary"
- Christian Haines, Penn State, "Planetary Utopianism: N.K. Jemisin, Kim Stanley Robinson, and Infrastructural Hope."

Contemporary Latin American Ecocultures and Methods (Sponsored by the

Ecocriticism in the Américas ASLE interest group) Chair: Victoria Saramago and Carolyn Fornoff

- **Carolina Sá Carvalho**, University of North Carolina, Mosquito Media: Towards an Aesthetics and Politics of Contagion
- **Carolyn Fornoff**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champagn, Climate Change and Digital Prophecy in "La máquina distópica"
- Ashley Brock, University of Pennsylvania, Twenty-first-century Pastoral: Embodiment and Nonhuman Perspectives in Aboio and Sweetgrass
- Victoria Saramago, University of Chicago, Reimagining Hydropower: Ecofeminist and Transnational Perspectives on Belo Monte

Decolonial Ecocriticisms in Latin America and the Caribbean (Sponsored by the

Ecocriticism in the Américas ASLE interest group) Chair: Ilka Kressner, University at Albany, SUNY

- Alethia Alfonso-García, Universidad Iberoamericana, "Confluence of Ecological Thoughts in Alejandro Albarrán and Hubert Matiúwàa."
- Ana María Mutis, Trinity University, "Writing the Amazon: Decolonial Textualities in Las tres mitades de Ino Moxo and El abrazo de la serpiente."
- Elaine Savory, The New School, "The Breadfruit in the Caribbean: A Complicated Life."
- **Tiffany Miller**, Colby College, and **Victoria Garrett**, Independent Scholar, "Cultivating Collaboration: Ecocriticism, Indigeneity, and Gender in Recent Latin American Cinema."

- Katja Higgins, University at Albany, SUNY, "Human, Posthuman and Material Bodies in Ventos de agosto and Dólares de arena."
- **Giovanna Montenegro**, Binghamton University, SUNY, "From Taki Onqoy to the Scissors Dance: Cultural Heritage in Peru as Environmental Resistance."
- Elizabeth Pettinaroli, Rhodes College, "Overhauling Crisis in the Exhibit Somos Agua and the Documentary Bicicletas de Nhanderú."

Exploring Experiment: Ecopoetics in the Anthropocene

Chair: Julia Fiedorczuk

- Julia Fiedorczuk, University of Warsaw, "More-than-human intimacies in Forrest Gander's Be With and Twice Alive"
- Marta Werbanowska, University of Warsaw, "M. Nourbese Philip's Zong! as Ecopoetic Ritual"
- Joanna Mąkowska, University of Warsaw, "'Archeology of landfill': Jennifer Scappettone's Republic of Exit 43"

On the other side of horror: alternative affects to environmental despair

Chair: Joshua DiCaglio and Donnie Secreast

- Joshua DiCaglio, Texas A&M University, "The Difficult Ecstasy"
- Donnie Secreast, Texas A&M University, "Carnality"
- Rick Van Noy, Radford University, "Creative Responses to Climate Doom"
- Nicole Seymour, California State University, Fullerton, "Embarrassment as Environmentalist Politic"
- David Gessner, University of North Carolina Wilmington, "Quiet Desperation, Savage Delight"

Anthropocene Eco-Poetics

Chair: Moe Gamez, CSU - Long Beach

- **Robert Balun**, Stony Brook University and The City College of New York, CUNY, (Eco)Poetry and the Poetics of Disruption in the Anthropocene
- Sean Colins, University of Utah, Problems in Paradise: Moore and Material Feminisms

- **Veronika Arutjunjanova**, University of Hamburg, "How to move from settle on top to inside:" Posthuman Turn in Contemporary North American Eco-elegy
- James Sherry, Segue Foundation, Against One Model Alone

Creature Kinships

Chair: Keri Stevenson, University of New Mexico-Gallup

- **Moe Gamez**, CSU Long Beach, "To be / the pig of dreams, the pig / any of us could be:" Ludic Affect and Radical Kinship in Denise Levertov's Pig Dreams
- Keri Stevenson, University of New Mexico-Gallup, The Emergence of Winged Things: Avian-Centered Memoirs as Arenas for the New Ethology
- Addie Hopes, University of WIsconsin-Madison, Wolf-Girls in the Feral Archives: Finding (Eco)Somatic Docupoetics in Bhanu Kapil's Humanimal: A Project for Future Children

Animal Semiotics

Chair: Jeanne Dubino

- Kate Judith, University of Southern Queensland, Oyster Semiotics: the questions of tides and the answers of filter-feeders
- Willy Smart, UC Davis, Interspecies Agency and the Fantasy of Nonhuman Consent
- Jeanne Dubino, Appalachian State University, Skin and "Fur Consciousness" in the Work of Virginia Woolf and Katherine Mansfield

Theorizing Forests, Rivers, and Gardens

Chair: CW Johnson

- **CW Johnson**, University of MInnesota Duluth, The Forest and the Ruins: Jim Harrison's True North
- Meng Wang, University of Arizona, The Plants in the Chinese Classical Garden: The Blending Landscape of Nature and Culture
- Julia Escobar Villegas, University of Cincinnati, To Think with the Magdalena River's Flow: The Metaphor of the National Fluvial Tree in Grávido Río by Ignacio Piedrahíta

Sound and Attunement

Chair: Logan Ramsay and prOphecy sun

- Isabel Sobral Campos, Northeastern University, The Ecology of Listening: Emerging Soundscapes and the Limits of Audibility
- prOphecy sun, Simon Fraser University, Atemporal Meditations on Attunement in the Tidal Flats
- Logan Ramsay, RMIT Melbourne Australia, Echologram Imaginary and the Whale

Encountering Alien Otherness

Chair: Michael J. Gormley and Matthew Moore

- **Michael J. Gormley**, Quinsigamond Community College, The Astropocene is "Mathematical and Fleshy": Biotic Humans in Extraplanetary Environs
- Matthew Moore, University of Wolverhampton, Tracing the 'Entangled Bank' and 'Brown Ecology' in the fiction of H.G. Wells
- **Mia Chen Ma**, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, Aquatic Human in Red Ocean: From Posthuman to Prehuman in Liquid Modernity
- Katharina Donn, independent scholar, A Monstrous Future? Metamorphosing Bodies in Speculative Fiction

Emergency, Toxicity, and the Boundaries of the Human

Chair: Daniel Raschke

- **Derric Ludens**, Dakota Wesleyan University, Emergency as Event: Subverting the Human-Nonhuman Divide in Amitav Ghosh's The Hungry Tide
- Daniel Raschke, Florida State University, Risk and Toxic (Neg-)Entropy in Schweblin's Fever Dream
- Frank Fucile, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Eco-Materialist Aesthetics in Times of Plague, War, and Collapse
- André Krebber, University of Kassel, Germany, Confronting the Crisis: From Ecological Trauma to Environmental Redemption

Vegetal and Fungal Agencies

Chair: Patrícia Vieira

- Jemma Deer, Rachel Carson Center, Mycorrhizal Metaphors: the buried life of language
- **Patrícia Vieira**, Georgetown University / CES, University of Coimbra, Plants as Environmental Activists: Amazonian Vegetal Expression in Frans Krajcberg's Sculptures
- Melinda Backer, University of Tennessee, What Is It Like to Be a Tree?: Emerging Personhood in Richard Powers' The Overstory

Ecological Subjectivities Beyond the Human

Chair: Sarah Warren

- Sarah (Sadie) Warren, Emory University, Experiential Poverty and the Pandemic Present: An Ode to our Axiological Invisibles
- Mahlu Mertens, Ghent University, Re-Centring Humanity: Reading the Human Experience Back Into Richard McGuire's Here
- **K. Elaine Lysinger**, Texas Christian University, Dissipating in the Sublime: Recovering our Mattered Vitality for a Posthuman Ethic
- Jane Battisson, Emory University, NATURE-SPACE IN THE WRITING OF PIERRE-ALBERT JOURDAN

Time and Scale in the Anthropocene

Chair: William Bowden

- William Bowden, University of Rhode Island, "Lost in Time-Space Compression: The Problem of Place in Hari Kunzru's Gods Without Men"
- Lena Pfeifer, University of Würzburg (Germany), Between Power and Force: Performing Ethics in the Anthropocene in Richard Powers's The Overstory (2018)
- **David Shaw**, Concordia University, The Crisis of Scale: Allegories of The Anthropocene in Barbara Kingsolver's Flight Behaviour and Ben Lerner's 10:04
- **Nathaniel Sikand-Youngs**, University of Nottingham, The Machine is the Garden: The Literary Representation of Ecological Economics in the Californian Naturalist Novel

Responding to Catastrophe

Chair: Holli Flanagan

- **Brianna Shields**, Independent, Visualizing Catastrophe: Agency and the Atomic in the Anthropocene
- Holli Flanagan, University of Delaware, Create, Destroy, Refigure: Climate Crisis Identity in Margaret Atwood's MaddAddam Trilogy
- Elizabeth Giardina, University of California, Davis, The Gimmicks and Poetics of Geoengineering

Ecological Apocalypse

Chair: Heather Milligan

- Heather Milligan, University of Edinburgh, "The totality of this mid-Collapse condition": Plurality in Jeff VanderMeer's Southern Reach Trilogy
- **Priscilla Jolly**, Concordia University, "When Londyon ys Forest" Medieval Ecological Apocalyptic in After London
- Stephanie Erev, Portland State University, On Apocalyptic Spiritualities and the Force of Uncanny Colors

Race, Semiotics, and the Posthuman Subject

Chair: Marisa Mills

- **Emery Jenson**, University of Wisconsin Madison, Blood Like Dew: Ecosemiotics and Interpretation in The Confessions of Nat Turner
- **Primrose Primrose**, National University of Singapore, The Racialized Posthuman body in Hanif Kureishi's The Body
- Marisa Mills, University of Southern Mississippi, Re-Writing Medieval Wales: Empire and Ecology in the Lancelot-Grail Cycle

Thinking Beyond the Human

Chair: André Krebber, University of Kassel, Germany

- Aidan Tynan, Cardiff University, The Anecological Thought in Deconstruction and Schizoanalysis
- Kelly Gray, Boston College, Libidinal Economy and Ecology: The Centrality of Subjectivity

- **Nicolai Skiveren**, School of Communication and Culture, Aarhus University, Plastic Bags are Good to Think With: A Meta-Critical Investigation of Anthropomorphized Waste
- Jean-Thomas Tremblay, New Mexico State University, Homeostasis and Extinction: Ted Chiang's Exhalation

Elemental Rhetoric Stream

Emergenze: Elemental Narratives in Italian Studies

Chair: Serena Ferrando

- Danila Cannamela, Colby College, "A Binding Language: From Simaetha's Recipe to its (Eco)Feminist Remake."
- Enrico Cesaretti, University of Virginia, "Spectral Tales and Real Disasters: Re-emerging Traumas in Daniele Atzeni's I morti di Alos."
- Serena Ferrando, Arizona State University, "Vegetal Existences in Italian Poetry: Three Instances."

Elemental America: The Emergent Aesthetics of Exposure and Pollution in Water, Earth, and Atmosphere

Chair: Moritz Ingwersen and Timo Müller

- Mortiz Ingwersen, Dresden University of Technology, and Timo Müller, University of Konstanz, "Mobilizing the Elemental Turn in Contemporary Ecocriticism"
- Linda Hess, University of Augsburg, "Aurum's Agency: The Elemental Aesthetics of the Klondike Gold Rush in Bill Morrison's Dawson City: Frozen Time"
- **Rachel Hil**, Goldsmiths University of London, "Basically Burning Computers': The Pluming Exhausts and Chemical Afterlives of Astronautical Rocketry"
- Aaron Pinnix, Fordham University, "Surfacing Ecological Disaster: "Poets for Living Waters" and the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill"

The Hydro Humanities: Origins and Permutations

Chair: Paul Formisano

- **Paul Formisano**, University of South Dakota, "Tapping the Source: A Preliminary Mapping of the Hydro Humanities"
- **Michaelann Nelson**, Utah State University Eastern, "Documenting the Resurrection of a Canyon: The Coffee Table Book Rhetoric of Climate Change on the Colorado River"
- **Matthew Henry**, University of Wyoming, "The Wrong Side of the Levee: Sea Level Rise and Racial Coastal Formation in the Decade of the Green New Deal"
- **Rasina Tanvir**, Washington State University, Vancouver, "Haunted Waters: Racial and Environmental Justice in Toni Morrison's Beloved"
- Lubna Alzaroo, University of Washington-Seattle, "A River Dies of Thirst: Hydropolitics in Raja Shehadeh's A Rift in Time"

ASLE as Strange Attractor

Chair: Barbara Mossberg, University of Oregon Clark Honors College

- Hannah Lesti, University of Oregon, Ecological Infighting: The different attitudes of environmentalists towards government authority
- Zealon Gentry-Lea, University of Oregon, Humans are Destroying the Earth but Eco Lit Is Here to Save It
- Ryan Laws, University of Oregon, Report to the Department of the Interior: The Hetch Hetchy
- **Zoey Bailey**, University of Oregon, Home is Where the Heart Is: Robinson and Thoreau's Ecological Interpretation of the Meaning of Home

Fire and Water

Chair: Barbara Leckie

- **Barbara Leckie**, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, Alarming!: The Rhetoric of Warning and the House of Fire
- Francis Ittenbach, Emory University, "Where the fire is still burning": Elemental Time in Romeo Oriogun's Sacrament of Bodies
- Octavia Cade, Independent, The Urban Reef: Metaphor and Transformation in Conservation

• Alison Maas, University of California, Davis, Erosion: The Vanishing Coast in Muriel Rukeyser's "The Outer Banks"

Theorizing the Elemental

Chair: Jason Young

- **David Lombard**, ULiège and KU Leuven, Belgian National Fund for Scientific Research (F.R.S.-FNRS), Rewriting the Anthropocene Aesthetic Crisis: A Rhetorical and Narratological Analysis of Wilderness and the Sublime in the Contemporary (Native) American Memoir
- Eve Nabulya, Makerere University, Explorations in ecocriticism and rhetoric
- Martin Schauss, University College Dublin, The Problem with New Materialisms and "Anthropocene" Literature
- Jason Young, Queen's University, Lithopoiesis: Memory, persistence and deep time

Apocalyptic Fictions

Chair: Barbara Mossberg

- **Barbara Mossberg**, University of Oregon Clark Honors College, EmergencE/Y Theory/ A Teary Eye: Deep Structure Literary Vision from 2700 BCE-Modern Times
- **Phillip Polefrone**, Columbia University, 2040, 2140: Reference Years, Environmental Policy, and Speculative Fiction
- Alba Tomasula y Garcia, University of California, Berkeley, "No Matter How Difficult It Is, We Must Live": Speculative Fiction and Lively Catastrophe

Forests of Change in Africa and Appalachia

Chair: TBA

- Valentina Acquafredda, University of Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy, Farmers and natural resources in the Ethiopian Green Economy Plan
- Leila Braun, University of Michigan, Ann Pancake's Appalachia and the Extra(ctive) Ordinary
- Bob Craven, University of Oregon, Extractivism and the Greater Appalachian Forest

Extracting Elements

Chair: TBA

- **Brady Krien**, University of Iowa, The Trace of Transitions: Topic Modeling Energy Transitions in Nineteenth-Century Magazines
- Maren Loveland, Vanderbilt University, Encrypted Extractions: The Politics of Energy and Cryptocurrency in the Mid-Columbia Basin
- Lisa Han, Arizona State University, Perilous Plumes: Scalar Mediations of Turbulence, Catastrophe, and Environmental Risk
- Isaac Thornley, Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change, York University, Traversing the Trans Mountain Fantasy Elementally: Psychoanalytic Reflections on Time, Scale, and Pipeline Politics

Artistic Expressions of the Elemental

Chair: Jonathan Knapp

- **Yi-Chen Andrea Lay**, Indiana University Bloomington, Remembering the Tohoku Earthquake: Visual Art, Narrative, and Anthropocenic Crisis in "Behind the Waves"
- Sasha Michelle White, University of Oregon, First-Aid Kit for the Fire-Prone
- Jonathan Knapp, Harvard University, From Cutting into the Ground to Cutting on Celluloid: Cultural Techniques and the Intersection of the Human and Nonhuman in Film Location

Emergent Environments Stream

Emergent Ecologies and Urban futures in the Global South

Chair: Sritama Chatterjee and Surojit Kayal

- Sritama Chatterjee, University of Pittsburgh, "Monsoon Forms in Mumbai"
- Vaibhav Dutta, Fields of View, "Urban Governance and Participatory Dialogue in Bangalore"
- **Sumera Saleem**, University of Sargodha, Pakistan, " "City as the Barometer of Crisis and Imagining the Future"
- Mahasweta MD, Jadavpur University, India, "The Urban ecoGothic in Deepa Anappara's Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line"
- **Surojit Kayal**, University of California, Santa Barbara, "Metabolic Emergence in the East Kolkata Wetlands"

Plants and People, Together in Precarity I

Chair: Rebecca Olsen

- John Yargo, University of Massachusetts Amherst, "Fugitive Mothers, Cervantes, and Dendroidal Refuge"
- Sophia C. Jochem, Freie Universität Berlin, "Scarlet Runner Beans and Insurgent Citizenship in Charles Dickens's London"
- Rebecca Olsen, University of Delaware, "Plants as Family in Victorian Houseplant Gardening"
- Alicia Carroll, Auburn University, "Gentians 1931: Plant and Human Precarity in Maud Grieve's A Modern Herbal and D.H. Lawrence's "Bavarian Gentians"

Plants and People, Together in Precarity II

Chair: Mary Bowden, University of Delaware

- **Mia Alafaireet**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Black Planters/Black Panthers: Plants and Precarity in Contemporary Black Wellness Culture"
- Lyn Baldwin, Thompson Rivers University, "An Unquiet Botany"
- Kathleen M. Burns, Duke University, "Cultivating Breath, Creating Shelter in the Pandemic Garden"

• Kiley M. Kost, Carleton College, "House/Plant: At Home in Juliana Kálnay's Eine kurze Chronik des allmählichen Verschwindens (A Short Chronicle of Gradual Disappearance)"

APOCALYPTIC MIXOLOGY: THE QUEER, WEIRD, AND DOWNRIGHT MOIST

Chair: Nicholas Reich

- **Cameron Clark**, Vanderbilt University, "Terminal Forms, Species Thinking, and Marlon Riggs's Media Ecologies"
- Fernando Varela, Vanderbilt University, "Extraterrestrial Intimacy and Social Injustice in La región salvaje"
- Nicholas Tyler Reich, Vanderbilt University, "Les garçons sauvages: An Inter(s)extual Ecology of the Wet and Wild"
- **Darin Graber**, Sewanee: The University of the South, "William Burroughs' The Wild Boys as Neo-Victorian Ecoliterature (the Violent Kind)"

Extinction in American Literature, Art, and Culture

Chair: Helena Feder

- Sarah McFarland, Northwestern State University, "Inhabiting Extinction in American Climate Fiction"
- Nicole Merola, RISD, "Close(ly) reading great auk extinction with Walton Ford"
- **Timothy Sweet**, WVU, "Indigenous Nations' Treaties with Animals and Latour's 'Parliament of Things'"
- Helena Feder, ECU, "Extinction and Slow Art"

EMERGING Pollution, Decomposition, Death

Chair: Patrycja Austin

- **Patrycja Austin**, University of Rzeszów, The end is a wild beginning fungal inflections in the 21st century novel
- John Clarke, University of Exeter, Terrible Beauty: A poetry exploration of acid mine drainage
- **Donelle Dreese**, Northern Kentucky University, The Soft Goodbye: An Emergence of a "Green" Burial Ground

• Haley Laningham, Florida State University, The Dilapidated Orchard: Theorizing Pollutions of Description

Floods/Emergent Waters

Chair: Hatice Bakanlar Mutlu

- Hatice Bakanlar Mutlu, Ege University, On the Marshes: From a therapeutic journey to a critical perspective
- **Rituparna Mitra**, Emerson College, Re/Emergent Tidal Urbanisms in Amitav Ghosh and Pitchaya Sudbanthad
- **Rosanna Van der Voet**, University of Sheffield, The Sandmotor Liminal Entanglements on the South Holland Coast

River Emergences

Chair: Mark B. Hamilton

- Mark B. Hamilton, Independent, Eco-Poetry: the creation of a stronger dynamic in response to environmental crisis
- Alexander Kucich, Carleton College, Relating to the River: Fish, Fishers and the Politics of Assemblage in the Cannon River
- Heather McNaugher, Chatham University, Nowhere Spared: Crisis Living in the English Village
- **Sebastian Ureta**, Departamento de Sociologia, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Residual ecologies: finding life within extraction in Chile

Emergent Futures

Chair: Helga Braunbeck

- Helga Braunbeck, NC State University, Smart Cities, Server Forests, and Wild Animals: Visions and Realities in Niklas Maak's Novel Technophoria
- Abiodun Oluseye, Federal Polytechnic Ilaro, Ogun State, Nigeria, 'ECOCRICITYSM' AND THE BANAL ARTIFICIALITY OF AFRICAN CITY SPACE: A READING OF CHIBUNDU ONUZO'S WELCOME TO LAGOS
- **Conrad Scott**, University of Alberta, Post-Anthropocene Futures: The Ecocritical Dystopian Posthuman in Bacigalupi's "The People of Sand and Slag" and Lai's The Tiger Flu

Emergent Plants

Chair: Catherine Bush

- Catherine Bush, University of Guelph, Invasives
- Adriana Craciun, Boston University, Arctic Greening, Arctic Dreaming: past and future vegetal worlds
- Lenka Filipova, Freie Universität Berlin, Time, Temporalities and the Process of Worlding in Two 'Tree Novels'
- **Renée Hoogland**, University of Amsterdam, Citizen Sensing in the Garden, and the Genre of the Emerging Event

Emergent Disasters

Chair: Sarah Hopkinson

- Sarah Hopkinson, Boston University, Jesmyn Ward's Salvage the Bones and the Space of Disaster
- **Daria Kozhanova**, University of Bologna, "Looking for Life in This Ruin": A Tsingian Reading of Chiara Mezzalama's "Dopo la pioggia"
- Katrina Maggiulli, University of Oregon, Speculative Species: Evolutionary Imagination & the Future of Life
- **Ziba Rashidian**, Southeastern Louisiana University, Proximate Futures: Human-Animal Coexistence in Svetlana Alexievich's Voices of Chernobyl

Bodily/Place Transformations

Chair: TBA

- Laura Fumagalli, Catholic University of Milan (Italy), Understanding the concept of landscape to preserve the environment
- Kathleen Ibe, Department of German, Nordic, Slavic and Dutch, University of Minnesota, Nonhuman Agents Reclaiming Human Space in Karen Duve's Regenroman
- **Delzi Laranjeira**, Minas Gerais State University (UEMG- Brazil), Dangerous environments: Ecoanxiety in Lauren Groff's "Ghost and Empties" and "Snake Stories".
- **Phoebe Wagner**, University of Nevada, Reno, When We Survive: Transformation and Jeff VanderMeer's The Southern Reach Trilogy

Animal Emergences

Chair: Rebecca Jordan

- **Rebecca Jordan**, Washington University in St. Louis, Cheetos and Too Many Fingers: Human Illness and the Search for Animal Empathy in a Comparative Analysis of Cyborg Spaces
- Agata Kowalewska, Department of Philosophy, University of Warsaw, Of deer, wolves and men. Emergent nonhuman cultures in spaces of conflict with people.
- Joanna Lilley, Independent author, Behaving like animals
- Thakshala Tissera, University of Massachusetts Amherst, The Elephants in the Garbage Dump

Emergent Representations

Chair: Sarah Grossman

- Sarah Grossman, Bryn Mawr College, Emergent Disability Strategy as a Tactic for a Just Transition
- Richard Kerridge, Bath Spa university, The Crisis of Realism: narrative, ecocriticism, teaching
- Michelle Menting, University of Southern Maine, Questing: How We Amble, How We Converge Poems
- **Maximillian Gregor Hepach**, University of Cambridge, The experiential reality of climate(change). A phenomenological and media theoretical approach

Energy Humanities Stream

Virtual Extraction: YouTube, Video Games, and Digital Mining as Ways We Imagine Natural Resource Extraction

Chair: Brian James Leech

- Jessica M. DeWitt, Network in Canadian History and Environment, "Most of it's Mental": Extractive Nostalgia, Virtual Adventure, and White Masculinity in the Abandoned Mines Exploration Corner of YouTube
- **Brandon J. Galm**, Cloud County Community College, (Un)Real White Survival: Red Dead Redemption 2 and the Play of Nature
- **Brian James Leech**, Augustana College, New Timey Prospecting: Mining as Tech Metaphor and Environmental Consequence

Reading Energy Cultures

Chair Name TBA

- Kent Linthicum, Georgia Institute of Technology, "Coal and Chalk: Race, Energy, and Geology in the Nineteenth Century"
- Max Karpinski, University of Alberta, Excavating the Oil Sands: Archaeology and the Aesthetics of Extraction in David Martin's "Tar Swan"
- Jana Giles, Texas Tech University, Unmasking Petro-Discourse: Helon Habila's Oil on Water and the Niger Delta Extraction Zone
- **Brad Buckhalter**, U of Louisiana at Monroe, "The worn-out earth of our possession": Environment, Empire, and Modernity in Conrad's "Falk"

Alternative Energy Imaginairies

Chair: Tom Lynch

- Harry Pitt Scott, University of Warwick, UK, A Transitional Utopia: Energy, Finance, and Democracy in Kim Stanley Robinson's Ministry for the Future (2020).
- Heather Contant, Università Ca' Foscari, On the Four Energy Imperatives of Makrolab
- Tom Lynch, University of Nebraska, Loren Eiseley, Prophet of the Pyrocene

Energetic Forms & Genres

Chair: Ruby Niemann

- **Ruby Niemann**, University of Adelaide, California Girls: Petro-Cultures, Nuclear Horizons, and Extractionist Feminisms in Joan Didion's Play It As It Lays
- María Matilde Morales, University of St Andrews, Humanoil: Organicizing Oil in Contemporary Russian Culture
- **Spencer Robins**, UCLA, Narrative Form as Energy Infrastructure in Ursula Le Guin's Always Coming Home
- Jada Ach, Arizona State University, Power Lines and Alternative Energies in 'Ethan Frome'

Sites of Contestation: An Exploration of Energy Struggles in Canada

Chair: Jacob McLean

- Jacob McLean, York University, The Petro Culture Wars
- Issac Thornley, York University, Trans Mountain Pipedreams: Psychoanalytic Approaches to Pipeline Politics"
- Alexandra Simpson, York University, "Along Line 9: Masking, Camouflage and Survival"

Landscapes, Resources, & Relations

Chair Name TBA

- Nathan Schmidt, UMass Amherst, Title TBD: On Water, Neoliberalism, and Mohsin Hamid's "How to Get Filthy Rich in Rising Asia"
- **Manasvini Rajan**, Indiana University Bloomington, Enclosure of the Wonderlands: John Muir's Journey to the Surface of the Earth
- **Darren Fleet**, Simon Fraser University, "You are now entering the mission field": petrol landscapes through a religious lens

Energy Imperialisms, Colonialisms, & Nationalisms

Chair Name TBA

• Lisa Burner, Sewanee: The University of the South, Extracting Potential from the Desert: Ecological Imperialism and Literature in the Chilean Nitrate Export Boom

- Mary Galli, Harvard University, Learning How to Live After the End: The Destruction of Uranium Mining in Leslie Marmon Silko's Ceremony
- **N.A.J. Taylor**, University of Bern, Switzerland, Condensed Timelines, Apocalyptic Images and Violent Resistance: How Helon Habila's Oil on Water makes visible slow violence.
- Fabienne Blaser, Deakin University, Ecologies of extraction and accidents: Fukushima as Australian nuclear heritage

Extractive Materialities

Chair Name TBA

- **Chesta Yadav**, Independent, The Environmental Impact of Generation and Extraction of Electricity
- Katrin Pesch, University of Southern Mississippi, From the Extraction of Natural Resources to the Harnessing of Human Energy: Embodied Debt in Claire Denis's High Life
- **Rianne Riemens**, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands, Accounting for Extraction: Place and Placelessness in Green Platform Discourses
- **Paul Schmitt**, University of Iowa, "On Cyber-Pastorals and Joystick Georgics: Agriculture, Data Infrastructure, and Video Games"

Dark Petrocultures

Chair Name TBA

- **Maureen Salzer**, Pima Community College, Extracting the Past: Underland Travels and Petroleum Tragedies in the Anthropocene
- **Catherine Sarah Young**, UNSW Sydney Arts, Design, and Architecture, The Ghost of Rain: A Proposal for Petrichor as a Companion Molecule in The Australian Bushfire Crisis
- Wenjia Chen, Washington University in St. Louis, Symbolic Killing or Killing Symbols: With a Case Study of Fractures
- Karl Emil Rosenbæk, University of Southern Denmark, Offshore Nordic Noir

Energetic Affects, Energetic Senses

Chair: Trish Audette-Longo

• Trish Audette-Longo, Carleton University, What do we smell when we smell the oilseeds?

- Madeleine Bavley, University of Utah, Cultivating Pleasure in (spite of) Petroleum Culture
- **Paisley Conrad**, Concordia University, Motor Oil and Disco Balls: Affective Labour in the Athabasca Tar Sands

Environmental Justice Stream

How we are human: reclaiming home and kin

Chair: Allison Cobb

- Allison Cobb, Independent, "How to be human now"
- Camille Dungy, Colorado State University, "Reasons to Garden"
- Emily Raboteau, City College of New York, "I want our kids to thrive"
- **Divya Victor**, Michigan State University, "Seeking Shade: Memory & the Representations of the Ecological in Writing Diasporic Trauma"

Ecofascism as Heuristic

Chair: Shane Hall

- April Anson, San Diego State University Public Humanities, ""The Suffocating Atmospherics of American Ecofascism"
- Kai Bosworth, Virginia Commonwealth University International Studies, "Pipeline Opposition and Energy Independence Between Canada and China: Heartland Melodramas of Race, Nation, and Oil"
- Alex Menrisky, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth/University of Connecticut, "Everyday Ecofascism: Settler Colonialism, Crisis, and Consumption"
- Rebecca Evans, Southwestern University English, "Ecofascism in the Emergent Cli-Fi Corpus"
- Shane Hall, Salisbury University Environmental Studies, "Ecofacism and Neo-Confederacy in American War"

Narratives of Childhood and Environmental Justice

Chair: Nathalie op de Beeck

- Andrea Casals, Universidad Católica de Chile, "A Latin American Reading of The Hunger Games"
- **Clare Echterling**, Caldwell University, "Silver People: Voices from the Panama Canal, Colonial Violence, and the Anthropocene"
- Lara Saguisag, CUNY-The College of Staten Island, "Winds of Change: Reframing The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind as a Story of Resistance"
- Nathalie op de Beeck, Pacific Lutheran University, "Born in a House on Fire: Greta Thunberg and Childhood as a Community"
- Marek Oziewicz, University of Minnesota, " 'It was just a few bad people': Exploring Questions of the 1%, Environmental Justice, and Responsibility for Climate Change with Geoff Rodkey's We're Not from Here"

Colonial Theft as Homemaking and Ecological Disaster

Chair: Kyle Keeler & Paul J. Guernsey

- Kyle Keeler, University of Oregon, "Settler Theft and Indigenous Resistance in the Kleptocene"
- Esme Murdock, San Diego State University, "The Underneath of Home"
- Wayne Wapeemukwa, Penn State University, "Local, Dweller, Settler: The Settler-Colonial Underpinnings of Bioregionalism and Localism"
- **Paul J. Guernsey**, Penn State University, "The infrastructures of White settler perception: a political phenomenology ecocide and emergency"

Re(creating) the Latinx Outdoors: Testimonios and Activism in the 21st Century

Chair: Sarah Wald & David J. Vázquez

- **David J. Vázquez**, American University, "Latinxs and the Outdoors: Leisure, Colorblind Racism, and Learning to Love the Natural World"
- **Priscilla Solis Ybarra**, University of North Texas, "Telling a Better Story: Exposing American Conservation's Racist Roots"
- Sarah Wald, University of Oregon, "Stories of Birdwatching in the 21st Century"
- Gabriela Nuñez, Cal State, Fullerton, "Re(creating) Fitness: Social Justice and Environmental Activism"

Geopoetic Meditations in an Emergency

Chair: Lynn Keller

- Joshua Schuster, University of Western Ontario, Clamorous Personifications in Brenda lijima's Poetry
- Jonathan Skinner and Tom Crompton, University of Warwick, Dilectical Sonorities: Carbon Footprints in Peter Culley's Climax Forest
- Lynn Keller, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Choral Collage of the Corporate Dump"
- Jennifer Scappettone, University of Chicago, Geopoetics of a Copper Lyre: Protest Poetry and World Ecology
- Tyrone Williams, Xavier University, 'Failed States' as Dump Sites

Multispecies Justice: Emergency, Action, Theory

Chair: Nathaniel Otjen

- Danielle Celermajer, University of Sydney, "Writing Multispecies Justice from the Inside"
- Harlan Weaver, Kansas State University, "Queer Affiliations and Multi-Species Justice in Pit Bull Politics"
- Nathaniel Otjen, University of Oregon, "Resisting With: Human-Species Coalitions and the Pursuit of Multispecies Justice"

Racial ecologies and collaborations in livable futures

Chair: Allison Carruth, Princeton University

- J.T. Roane and Huewayne Watson, Arizona State University, "Mapping Black Ecologies"
- Bethany Wiggin, University of Pennsylvania, Charles and Tammy Reeves, Resident Action Committee 2, and Amy Balkin, Artist, "Futures Beyond Refining"
- Kristy Guevara-Flanagan and Maite Zubiaurre, UCLA, "Águilas"

Radical Imaginations beyond the Anthropocene (I)

Chair: Bethany Wiggin, University of Pennsylvania

• Joni Adamson, Arizona State University, "Tracing Roots: From Ecology to Global Syndemic"

- **Tsemone Ogbemi**, University of Pennsylvania, "How Climate Storytelling Can Generate Hope and Lead to Action"
- Stephanie LeMenager, University of Oregon, "Refusing the future in four small acts of emergence"
- Giovanna Di Chiro and Shayla Smith, Swarthmore College, "Sharing Soular Stories: Gardens, Solar Panels, Murals"
- Jennifer Garcia Peacock, Davidson College, Zeke Pena, The River (2018)

Radical Imaginations beyond the Anthropocene (II)

Chair: Joni Adamson, Arizona State University

- Juan Carlos Galeano, Florida State University, "The Souls of Plants and Animals"
- **Gisela Heffes**, Rice University, "Radical Futures: The Semantics of Toxicity in Latin American Literatures"
- Vera Coleman, Carleton College, "The Fiber of our Being: (Non)Human Corporealities and Indigenous Ecologies in Mexican Art"
- Nathalia Hernández Vidal, University of Texas, "Entangled temporalities and the problematization of "climate emergency" in movements for environmental justice and food sovereignty in Latin America"
- Gabrielle Francis, The New School, "Reinventing Ancestry Through Mixed-Media Performance"
- Abigail Pérez Aguilera, The New School, "Radical Imaginations and Pilgrimages: Ecomedia in Times of Emergence and Resurgence"

Militant Ecologies

Chair: Daniel Eltringham & Fred Carter

- Alexandra Campbell, University of Glasgow, and Fred Carter, University of Edinburgh, "'Follow the teargas': Atmospheric Control, Black Microclimates, & Insurrectionary Ecologies" (with Fred Carter)
- **Estíbaliz Encarnación Pinedo**, University of Cartagena, Murcia, "Eco-action & the Beat Poem: Diane di Prima's Militant 'Revolutionary Letters'"
- Lauren Nelson, University of Texas at Austin, "Ruination & the Ruined Nation: Michelle Cliff's Militant Ecologies"

• **Daniel Eltringham**, University of Sheffield, "'the resistance of your stomach': Guerrilla (Eco)poetics & the Environments of Translation"

Environmental Racism and Racial Justice in the Anthropocene

Chair: Kevin Trumpeter

- Sarah Greenfield, Augsburg University, Marguerite Mills, University of Minnesota, and Emily Eng, University of St. Thomas, There can be no other: Housing Justice, Environmental Justice, and Scholar-Activism in Minneapolis
- **Henry Ivry**, University of Toronto; University of Pittsburgh, Black Ecologies in the Long Anthropocene
- **Ryan Poll**, Northeastern Illinos University, "Searching Through Racialized Soil: The Gardens of Racial Justice in the Work of Alice Walker and Jamaica Kincaid"
- Kevin Trumpeter, Allen University, The Intersection of Environmental and Racial Exploitation in Ta-Nehisi Coates' The Water Dancer

Justice in/for Distinctive, Threatened Environments

Chair: Harper Sherwood-Reid

- Shiloh Green Soto, University of California Merced, Emergent Environmental Histories: Contextualizing EJ Activism in Suburban Orange County, CA
- Aaron Pinnix, Fordham University, "Surfacing Ecological Disaster: "Poets for Living Waters" and the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill"
- Senta Sanders, University of Augsburg, Germany, Narratives of Northern Exposure and the Agency of Environmental Storytelling
- Harper Sherwood-Reid, Binghamton University, Severed Relations: Reading Land Theft through the Genocide Convention

Animals, Alterity, and Environmental Justice

Chair: Savannah Digregorio

- K. Abilasha, Alagappa Government Arts college, Intersectionality and Inter-Species Justice in Deepak Dalal's select adventure stories
- **Arun Pokhrel**, Department of English, Oklahoma State University, Human-animal Relationships and the Possibility of Interspecies Communication in Zakes Mda's The Whale Caller

- Andrew Rose, Christopher Newport University, The Patient-Urgency of Leslie Silko's Material Temporalities
- Savannah Digregorio, Vanderbilt University, Haiti's Kochon Kreyòl: Interspecies Precarity in Leah Gordon and Anne Parisio's A Pig's Tale

Militaries, Toxicity, and Environment

Chair: Ishtiaque Ahmed Levin

- Jesse Holmes, University of Washington, The Non-Emergence of a Radical Environmental Movement
- **Nayoung Kim**, Brandeis University, Toxic Realities and Transgroup Empathy in Ocean Vuong's On Earth We Are Briefly Gorgeous
- **Claudia Ledderucci**, University of Turin, The erasure of the French empire: sovereignty and military bases in French Polynesia
- Ishtiaque Ahmed Levin, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Decolonizing the Anthropocene: Perspectives from South Asia

Gender, Justice, and Environment

Chair: Kristin Jacobson

- **Reanna Kissel**, Deakin University, Consciousness raising in the 1980s: Ecofeminism in Australian women's short fiction
- Bouchra Belgaid, University Mohamed I,Oujda.Morocco, Gender and Climate Change in Morocco
- Ji Yeon Kim, Korea University, Uninhabitable Space for men: the American West in Cormac McCarthy's Blood Meridian
- Kristin Jacobson, Stockton University, American Adrenaline Narratives' Performance of Heroic Environmental Justice

Food Justice

Chair: Lindsay Stephens

• Leena Kuriakose, CHRIST UNIVERSITY BANGALORE, KARNATAKA, INDIA, Resilience in Crisis: Critical Analysis of the Malayalam movie "How Old Are You"

- **Yiyi He**, Queen's University, Subversive Sustainability in the Interstice: Urban Foraging in Ava Chin's Eating Wildly and Rita Wong's Forage
- Jessica Martell, Appalachian State University, Modernism and the Emergency of Industrial Food
- Lindsay Stephens, University of South Dakota, "A Small Island in an Ocean of Generally Devastated Land": Undoing Settler Conquest in Dan O'Brien's Bison Memoirs

Temporalities of Environmental Justice

Chair: Shouhei Tanaka

- **Grace Hayes**, University of California, Davis, Slow Disaster and the Pursuit for High Ground in Ishmael Reed's "Chattanooga"
- Melissa Poulsen, Menlo College, In Search of Refuge: The Precarity of Environmental Escape in Ruth Ozeki's A Tale for the Time Being
- Shouhei Tanaka, UCLA, Barkskins and the Climate Colonial Epic
- **Marta Puxan-Oliva**, Universitat de les Illes Balears, Negotiating environmental criminality: spectacular crime vs slow harm in contemporary fiction

Framing Solutions for Environmental Justice

Chair: Rakibul Hassan Khan

- Alexis Draut, Chatham University, Turning as an Ecofeminist Methodology for Achieving Environmental Justice in Annie Dillard's "Pilgrim at Tinker Creek"
- **Eric Morel**, University of Delaware, Multi-Ethnic Collaboration, Storyworlds, and Environmental Justice: Book Objects and Modeled Encounters
- Molina Klingler, University of Wuerzburg, The Elemental Strikes Back: On Justice and Earth Jurisprudence in N. K. Jemisin's 'Broken Earth'
- Rakibul Hassan Khan, University of Otago, The Environmentalism of the Poor versus the Environmentalism of the Privileged: A Comparative Analysis between The Ministry of Utmost Happiness and Gun Island

Extraction and Environmental Justice

Chair: TBA

• **Gayathri Goel**, Tufts University, Emergent Subjectivities: From Metabolic Rift and Ruinate to Resistance in Jan Carew's and Michelle Cliff's Novels

- Kyle Mcauley, Department of English, Seton Hall University, "Mestizaje in Conrad's Costaguana: The Double Life of Resource Extraction"
- Amir Hossain, IBAIS University, Ecocritical Studies of Manik Bandopadhyay's Boatman of The Mighty Padma and Selina Hossain's The High Tide: A Comparative Study
- Jay Jolles, The College of William and Mary, X-Marks and Re-Marks the Spot: The FEMA X-Code and Memorializing Katrina

Environmental Justice in Asia and the Pacific

Chair: Fan Ni

- **Yeohaun Kang**, Sungkyunkwan University, Transpacific Pandemic Reading: Multispecies Justice at the Intersection of Food and Animals
- Vijay Kumar, IIT Roorkee, India, Equal by birth, unequal by caste: A socio-ecological study of Baluta
- Sethunarayan Nagarajan, PSG Institute of Technology and Applied Research, Environmental (In) justice: Water, Society, and Development in R Murugavel's Mugizhini
- Fan Ni, University of Western Australia, Deforestation, Nostalgia and Solastalgia in Alai's Hollow Mountains series (2005-2007)

Creating (for) Environmental Justice

Chair: Marisol Cortez

- Hannah Chalew, independent visual artist and educator, Petroplexus: imagining ecosystems amidst the ruins of fossil fuel infrastructure to help envision a collective livable future
- Benjamin Rutherfurd, University of Georgia, "Defensible Space"
- Marisol Cortez, Independent, Luz at Midnight: Chicanx Cli-Fi for a Polar Vortex

Indigenous Ecocriticism Stream

Indigenous Narratives of Travels in Literature

Chair: Alok Amatya

- Amit Baishya, University of Oklahoma, Riddles of Sand: Sand and Water as Agents in Jatin Mipun's Tarun Peguk Agom
- Joanmarie Bañez, University of California San Diego, Emergence Elsewhere: Third Space in Linda Hogan's People of the Whale
- Alok Amatya, Georgia Institute of Technology, Travel and Coming-of-Age in the novels of Linda Hogan and Kaine Agary

Plant Relations

Chair: Amy Hamilton

- Mirja Lobnik, Agnes Scott College, Vegetal Affinities in Leslie Marmon Silko's Gardens in the Dunes
- Amy Hamilton, Northern Michigan University, Mouths Stuffed with Grass: Revealing and Restorying the Blood-Soaked Prairie
- Lisa Fink, University of Oregon, "Becoming Indigenous to Place"?: Invasive Species, Immigration, and Kincentric Ecology in Robin Wall Kimmerer's Braiding Sweetgrass

Indigeneity in China and Taiwan

Chair: Robin Visser

- Xinmin Liu, Washington State University, Greenwashing and Its Discontent: Affect in Navigating A Chinese Muslim's Root-Searching
- **Robin Visser**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Indigenous Waterways in Taiwanese Sinophone Literature
- Anurag Bhattacharyya, DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY, Learning the Ecological Past: An Ecocritical Reading of Gao Xingjian's Soul Mountain and Easterine Kire's When the River Sleeps.

Indigenous Forests

Chair: Ted Hamilton

• Kevin Ennis, Brown University, Temporal and Genealogical Intimacy in the Rainforests of Davi Kopenawa and Márcia Wayna Kambeba

- **Ted Hamilton**, Yale University, Rewriting the Rainforest: History and Environmental Conflict in César Calvo and the Law
- Mary Rosenberry, University of Arizona, Metamorphosis and Fictional Forests in Contemporary American Novels

Settler Colonialism and the (non)Human

Chair: Melina Savi

- **Melina Savi**, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, What does it mean to be human and nonhuman in Thomas King's and Ailton Krenak's fiction and nonfiction works?
- Claudia I. Miller, University of La Laguna (Spain), Inuit Sentinels: Sheila Watt-Cloutier's The Right to Be Cold
- Julia Siepak, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Contesting Settler Colonial Extraction in North America: Indigenous Women Writers' Literary Responses to the Anthropocene

Indigenous Semiotics

Chair: TBA

- **Charles Maurice Pigott**, Universidad de las Américas Puebla, Re-writing the Land through Contemporary Maya Literature: "In lu'um / Mi tierra" by Javier Abelardo Gómez Navarrete
- Ned Schaumberg, Williams-Mystic, Considering Indigenous Ecosemiotics: possibilities and limitations
- Amit Mandal, University of Delhi, India, Anatomizing the Sympoietic Self: a select study of Clima(c)tic Emergenc(E/Y) in Amitabh Ghosh's Gun Island and Hungry Tide

Interrogating Apocalypse

Chair: TBA

- **Robin Murray**, Eastern Illinois University, The Dead Can't Dance and Blood Quantum: Contrasting Indigenous Visions of the Zombie Apocalypse
- **Megan Kuster**, University College Dublin, The Labour of Lore: Moa fossils, Huia feathers, and nineteenth-century extinction discourses
- **Deniz Gundogan Ibrisim**, Washington University in St. Louis, Rethinking Solastalgia as a Self-Reflexive Process in Indigenous Contexts: Productive and Unproductive States

Indigenous Ecopoetics and Subaltern Knowledges

Chair: Martin Premoli

- Mohammad Hasan Jan, East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Hearing the Ecosubaltern Voices from Bangladesh: An Ecocritical Reading of the Poetry of Garo and Chakma Communities
- Montserrat Madariaga-Caro, University of Texas at Austin, Of Flowers and Moss: Scientific poetics and anticolonial micropolitics in the works of Mapuche poets Leonel Lienlaf and Cristian Antillanca
- Jessica Cory, Western Carolina University/University of North Carolina at Greensboro, "Home is What You Make It: Remapping, Spacial Sovereignty, and Sense of Place in Lehua Taitano's A Bell Made of Stones"
- Martin Premoli, California State San Bernardino, Climate Knowledge in the Poemodels of Craig Santos Perez

Indigenous Foodways

Chair: TBA

- **Katelyn Juerjens**, Northeastern University, Taste the Nation, Consume the Subaltern: Indigenous Food Sovereignty in Menus, Cookbooks, and Colonial Capitalism
- **Dan Paracka**, Kennesaw State university, From God to Man: Social and Ecological Lessons of Palm Wine Practice from Wara Wara Bafodia, Sierra Leone
- Swara Joshi and Meera Vasani, Institute of Infrastructure Technology Research and Management (IITRAM-Ahmedabad), Annihilation of Eco-Terrain Food Culture in Mavchi and Bhil Communities of Western Part of India

Reading Indigenous Rock Art Ecocritically

Chair: Jeremy Elliott

- Gary Perez, independent scholar, "What the White Shaman Painting Says about the Natural World"
- Matilde Torres, independent scholar, "Birth and Indigenous Rock Art"
- Jeremy Elliott, Abilene Christian University, "Indigenous Philosophy and Ancient Rock Art"
- Conner Strickland, independent artist, "Blurring the Line Between Art and Environment"
- Jo Bury, Abilene Christian University, "Mesoamerican Mythology in Central Texas Rock Art"

Migrant Ecocriticism Stream

Critical Aesthetic Responses to Environmental Emergencies: Creating New Forms of Collaborative Art and Media Practices

Chair: Lisa Bloom

- May Joseph, Pratt Institute, "Dalit Trance and Possession Techniques as Sea Methodologies: A Collaborative Approach."
- **Sofia Varino**, University of Potsdam, Berlin, "Water Activity: Non/Human Collaborations with the Venetian Lagoon."
- E. Glasberg, New York University, "Roni Horn, Inner Geography, and The Shifting Waters of Iceland"
- Lisa Bloom, University of California, Berkeley, "At Memory's Edge: Collaborative Perspectives on the Environment in Arctic Cinema"

Water Moves

Chair: George Hegarty

- Anne-Sophie Bogetoft Mortensen, Roskilde University, 'from my warm unstable edges' Grace Nichols' migrating narration
- Medha Bhattacharyya, Bengal Institute of Technology, Water, Water Everywhere?–A Reading of Rohinton Mistry's Fiction
- **George Hegarty**, UC Davis, "Where the Sewage Meets the Sea" Mapping Confluence in the Tijuana River Valley in Kem Nunn's Tijuana Straits
- **Apala Bhowmick**, Emory University, "Not Death that came, but Water": Ecological Melancholia in Yvonne Adhiambo Owuor's Dust

Reimagining Space & Place

Chair: Tori Bush

- **Tori Bush**, Louisiana State University, Eco-Orientalism: Constructing Islands as Laboratories for Climate Migration
- **Amy Clarkson**, University of Glasgow, Coming and Going: Tracing a sense of place, sense of planet narrative through patterns of displacement and movement within seasonal migrancy.

- Elaine Ewart, University of Essex, Breaching the borders: an archipelagic approach to environmental writing
- **Tathagata Som**, University of Calgary, Migration and Climate Change in Amitav Ghosh's Gun Island

Narratives of Displacement

Chair: Karen Siu

- **Maria Farland**, Fordham University, Prairie Migrants: Modernist Antipastoral and the Global Reach of Immigrant Farm Fiction
- Karen Siu, Rice University, Ecological Imaginations of Trauma, Migration, and Displacement in Diasporic Vietnamese Graphic Narratives
- Jasmine Ulmer, Wayne State University, Forced Migration and Ecocritical Parables
- **Demi-Mae Wilton**, Loughborough University, UK, "To Lose Country?" Environmental Displacement in Contemporary Australian First Nations' Fiction

Multispecies at the Border

Chair: Emily Cheng, Montclair State University

- Karla Armbruster, Webster University, Dogs, Death, and Human Limits
- **Darya Tsymbalyuk**, University of St Andrews, Scotland, UK, 'I will miss this tree': women's stories about plants in narratives of displacement
- Elizabeth Albert, St. John's University, The Gowanus Muskrat: A Tale of Survival in a Dark Blue-Green World

Diasporic Environments

Chair: Rebecca Barnes

- Meenu Akbar Ali, Punjab Higher Education Department, Pakistan., "You could go to places." A Postcolonial Ecocritical Reading of Jhumpa Lahiri's Selected Short Stories
- **Rebecca Barnes**, Temple University, Nationless States and Stateless Beings: The Politics of Identity and Citizenship in Claudio Mir's 'Mondongo Scam' and Cheech Marin's 'Born in East L.A.'
- Kuhelika Ghosh, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Material Remainders of Slavery and the Diasporic Elsewhere

Climate Emergencies & Disasters

Chair: Knar Gavin

- Knar Gavin, University of Pennsylvania, "Re/Defacing the Un/Natural Disaster"
- **A B M Monirul Huq**, University of Hong Kong, Climate-Induced Migration and the Decline of Ecological Wisdom in the Sundarbans
- Ethan King, Boston University, Good Roads and Great Floods: Emergent States and States of Emergency in William Faulkner's As I Lay Dying
- **Todd Kuchta**, Western Michigan University, The Climate of Partition: Khushwant Singh's Train to Pakistan

Borderlands

Chair: Nick Lawrence

- Nick Lawrence, University of Warwick, Sacrifice Zones: Ecology and Culture in US/Mexican Border Fictions
- Meg Perret, Harvard, Migration is Natural: Scientific and Artistic Representations of Biodiversity Loss & Border Militarization in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands, 2017-2021
- **Beatrice Szymkowiak**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Contemporary Poets Resist the (B)order

The Pluriverse Stream

A Religious EmergencE/Y

Chair: Tom Bremer

- Tom Bremer, Rhodes College, "A Huge Burden of Guilt: Rethinking Religion"
- **Stefano Rozzoni**, University of Bergamo / Justus Liebig Universität Gießen, "Anthony of Padua: An(other) Ecocritical Franciscan Trajectory at the Core of Western Thought"
- **Owen David Harry**, National University of Singapore, "Plant-thinking through Dark Green Religion in Richard Powers's The Overstory"
- **Christopher Petter**, The Catholic University of America, "The Religious Foundations of Richard Wilbur's Environmental Poetry"
- **Matthew R. Hartman**, Graduate Theological Union, "The Future of Religious Environmental Ethics in a Time of Climate Denialism and White Christian Nationalism"
- Heather O'Leary, Illinois State University, "Addressing the Hyperobject of Climate Crisis through Shifting Systems of Belief"
- Kayla Adgate, SUNY Brockport, "The Ewe Lamb and Bathsheba: The Parallel Subjections of the Nonhuman and the Female in the Nathan Parable"

Farming/gardening as Tactic: An Asian American Reading

Chair: Serena Chou

- **Tang-Feng Chang**, National Chiao-tung University, Decolonizing the Internment: Indigenized "Pioneers" and Agrarian Citizenship in Joy Kogawa's Obasan and Cynthia Kadohata's Weedflower
- **Iping Liang**, National Taiwan Normal University, Plant Performance: War, Ethnicity, and the Japanese Garden in Patricia Grace's Chappy
- Serena Chou, Institute of European and American Studies, Academia Sinica, Beneath the Pacific Redwoods: No Hoe Gardening and Transfiguring Organic Mindfulness

Inhabiting: Reflections on the Writer's Cabin

Chair: Jenna Gersie

- Jenna Gersie, University of Colorado Boulder, "My Childhood in a Log Cabin"
- David Gessner, University of North Carolina Wilmington, "Building the Shack"

- J. Drew Lanham, Clemson University, "My Outermost House"
- Elizabeth Bradfield, Brandeis University, "Cabins at Sea"
- **Diane Freedman**, University of New Hampshire, "Creative Cabins: Hiving with a Mind of One's Own"

Autecologies: Emerging Gleanings On Aut(ism) & Emergency; Dedicated to Greta Thunberg

Chair: Anna Stenning, University of Leeds, and Natalie Joelle, Birkbeck, University of London

- Anand Prahlad, University of Missouri, On Chaos and Healing: Reflections on Autistic Nature Writing and the Shattered Self in The Secret Life of a Black Aspie
- David T. Mitchell & Sharon S. Snyder, George Washington University & National Coalition of Independent Scholars, Precarity and Cross-Species Identification: Autism, the Critique of Normative Cognition, and Nonspeciesism
- Dez Mendoza, Independent / Imperial College London, FRASS: a poetics of entomology
- Helen Mirra, interdependent, Aut&
- **Rhonda Moore**, Independent, A vision for an Autistic Citizen Science, told with poetry from the garden

Otherwise Ecocriticisms: Emergent Ecocritical Ethics in Literary Works from the Americas

Chair: Laura Harris

- Jessica E. Jones, University of Delaware, "Tomando conta: Clarice Lispector's Writing With the World"
- Laura Harris, NYU, "On Contested Ground: Kamau Brathwaite's Cow Pastor Poems"
- Délice Williams, University of Delaware, "Troubled Waters: Placing Home After Trauma in Monique Roffey's Archipelago"
- Nicolás Campisi, Brown University, "The Thread of History: Pesticide Fictions and Body-Territories in the Americas"

Poetics for the More-than-Human World: Readings and Discussion

Chair: Bernard Quetchenbach, Montana State University Billings, and Mary Newell

- Ann Fisher-Wirth, University of Mississippi, "North Mississippi"
- Marybeth Holleman, Independent Writer, "with"
- **Patrick Lawler**, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry/LeMoyne College, "Opening the World Book"
- Heller Levinson, Independent Poet/Writer, "HINGE as Eco -Poetic Address"
- Anthony Lioi, The Juilliard School, "'Trilobite' and Other Poems"
- Evelyn Reilly, Indepedent Poet and Scholar, "Sleeping with Trees"
- Isabel Sobral Campos, Northeastern University, "Excerpt from 'How to Make Words of Rubble'"
- Janine DeBaise, SUNY ESF, "Seventh Generation"
- Sharon Lattig, University of Connecticut, "Dwelling with the Possible"
- Linda Russo, Washington State University, TBA

Ecological Community

chair name TBA

- Allie Wist, New York University, Dwelling in a Climate Crisis
- **Cara Judea Alhadeff**, Western Institute for Social Research, Disentangling Green Colonialism: Social Permaculture in the Ecozoic Era
- Greg Darms, independent, Meetings in the Chora
- Janna Urschel, University at Albany, SUNY, A New Fiction Manifesto

Ecological Gender and Meaning of Place

chair name TBA

• Luke Rodewald, University of Florida, All the Queen's Men: Figures of Ecological Masculinity in Cheryl Strayed's "Wild"

- **Niall Peach**, Purdue University, Death, Desire, and the Domestic Limits of the Creole Garden in Jorge Isaac's María (1867) and Gertrudis Gómez de Avellaneda's Sab (1841)
- Samantha Nystrom, University of Delaware, Building Gendered Violence: The Weaponization of Gardens in Frances Burney's Evelina
- Lauren Frick, Indiana University Northwest, The Exclusive Forest: The Shaping of the Environmental Movement in Richard Powers' The Overstory

Poetics and the Beyond Human

chair name TBA

- Emma Train, The University of Texas at Austin, Etel Adnan's Queer Atmospheres
- Greg Pritchard, Independent, Whales, Trees, Octopi and Humans
- Liz Curry, Portland State University, Figurative Exchanges: Animal Transpositions in Anita Scott Coleman's Work
- Sevda Ayva, research assistant, The 4EA's of Cognizing the Posthuman Multi(story)verse in The Rime of the Modern Mariner

Narrative Meaning and Ecology

Chair name TBA

- **Debby Rosenthal**, John Carroll University, Ecocritical Discourse of Conjure
- Inna Sukhenko, Dnipro National University, THE LITERARY DIMENSIONS OF NUCLEAR DE-PERIPHERALIZATION (IN U.S. NUCLEAR FICTION ON CHERNOBYL)
- Pritha Banerjee, VIDYASAGAR METROPOLITAN COLLEGE, KOLKATA, INDIA, MAMA MITI AND REFORESTATION IN KENYA—REPRESENTING ENVIRONMENTALIST ACTION THROUGH CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS
- **Stephanie Cook**, Western Carolina University, "Scheduled to Die": Ecological Community as a Response to Consumer Death in Don DeLillo's White Noise

Class, Labor, and Exploitation

chair name TBA

• **Francesca Nardi**, Colby College, The Potential of the Poetry: Slow Violence and Ancient Greek Mythology in Giuliano Mesa's Tiresia

- Ryan Hediger, Kent State University, Unfree Labor: Slavery, Work Norms, and the Anthropocene
- Scott McDaniel, University of Dayton, Quotidian Insubordination: Rural Space, Environmental Belonging, and the Re-Imagining of Appalachia

Public Engagements Stream

Land / Bodies / Loss / and What's Left

Chair: Sylvan Goldberg

- Sylvan Goldberg, Colorado College, "Leave No Trace"
- Jillian Moore, florida State University, "Immortal Love: Grief, Infertility, and Ecological Impact"
- Sarah Nance, United States Air Force Academy, "Slow Decay"
- Emily Rau, University of Nebraska, "The Golden Spike"
- Ashley Reis, University of North Texas at Frisco, "Fire on the Mountain: Grieving Environmental Loss on Stolen Land"

What Should We Tell the Children?: Narrating Parenting in an Emergency

Chair: Douglas Haynes

- Paul Bogard, Hamline University, "Where the Wild Things Still Are"
- Jennifer Case, University of Central Arkansas, "Animals on the Eve of Extinction"
- Douglas Haynes, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, "The Secret"
- Heather Swan, University of Wisconsin Madison, "Modeling the Courage to Care"
- Jen Westerman, Appalachian State University, "The Freedom to Live in a Violent Society"

The Confluence Lab at the University of Idaho: Stories of Fire, Interdisciplinary Networks, and Community Collaborations

Chair: Jennifer Ladino & Erin James

- Erin James, University of Idaho, From Idea to Reality: The Origins of The Confluence Lab
- Teresa Cohn, University of Idaho, Signature Projects: Stories of Fire in Rural Idaho
- Jennifer Ladino, University of Idaho, Next Steps: Interdisciplinary Collaborations and Regional Networks

Microbium: The Neglected Lives of MicroMatter

Chair: Joela Jacobs, Agnes Malinowska

- Karen Leona Anderson, St. Mary's College of Maryland, "Fungi"
- Damien Bright, University of Chicago, "Coral"
- Joela Jacobs, University of Arizona, "Pollen"
- Agnes Malinowska, University of Chicago, "Bacteria"
- Raymond Malewitz, Oregon State University, "Viruses"

The Emergency Humanities

Chair: Bart Welling

- Bart Welling, University of North Florida, "The Emergency Humanities: An Invitation"
- **Abby Doan**, University of North Florida, ""The Value of the Humanities in the Battle for Survival, Through the Lens of The Last of Us"
- Laura-Marie Herrmann, University of North Florida, "Of Hihiwai and O'opu: Multispecies Emergency Responses"
- Lucy Miree, University of North Florida, "Using Angels in America to Heal the Psychological Damage of the Coronavirus Pandemic"

Film as Public Environmental Art

Chair: Hal Crimmel

- Hal Crimmel, Weber State University, The Rights of Nature: A Global Movement
- Andrew McMurry, University of Waterloo, That Decade
- **Kimberly Richards**, University of Alberta, Sustainable Tools and Performance Activism for a Just Transition

Shaping Values and Changing Behavior

Chair: TBA

- **Todd Williams**, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, The Pro-social and Pro-environmental Effectiveness of Horizon Zero Dawn
- **Nels Christensen**, Albion College, A Real and Righteous Insurrection: The Black Panther Party, the January 6 Mob, and Revolutionary Green "Fuckitness"
- Julie Seton, Ernest Thompson Seton Institute, Inc. (non-profit), A Tool to Detect Social Praxis: Analyzing People or Characters, Intent, Messages, and Responses
- **Brigitte Tsobgny**, Florida State University, Deforestation and the Ebola epidemic in Véronique Tadjo's novel, In the company of men Why should the whole planet feel concerned?

Public Humanites

Chair: Laura Barbas-Rhoden

- Laura Barbas-Rhoden and Natalia Valenzuela Swanson, Wofford College, Thinking with: A Dialogue about Amplifying Voices through Bilingual Public Humanities Research
- Arlene Plevin, Olympic College, Emerging into Activism: Environmental Humanities, Social/Environmental Justice, and Student Engagement
- Bryan Rasmussen and Colin Virgines, California Lutheran University, Storytelling for Environmental Justice in Ecologically Critical Places: The Simi Hills
- William Stroup, Keene State College, Protecting the Commons: Ecocriticism and the Role of a Library Trustee

From Ecopoetics to EcoEthics: Reading Nature for Change

Chair: Sir Jonathan Bate

- Sir Jonathan Bate, Arizona State University, We must cultivate our garden
- **Claire Davidson**, The College of Wooster, Can Climate Fiction Novels Inspire Social Change? A Literary and Empirical Ecocritical Analysis
- Jessica Gigot, Harmony Fields, LLC, Embodied Ecopoetics: Writing Towards Real Change
- Heather Lamb, Eastern Illinois University, The Liminality of Plants via Cold War Narratives in McCloskey's Blueberries for Sal

The Art(s) of Environmental Change

Chair: John Yunker

- Sarah Crooks, Evervess Arts LLC- independent artist, Home is Here: A Return to Source by ecofeminist artist Sarah Crooks
- Michael Hewson, Central Queensland University, A Picture Paints a Policy Change
- Leslie Carol Roberts and Christopher Falliers, California College of the Arts, How We Hear Now: Spatial Practice and the Materiality of Ecological Stories
- Beth Shepherd, Indepentent artist, activist, Problematized Shorelines
- John Yunker, Ashland Creek Press, Writing for Animals: How writers can use their talents to better advocate for animals

Speculative Ecomedia Stream

Weather Report

Chair: Sarah Dimick

- Stephanie Bernhard, Salisbury University, "Surviving the Future in the Present"
- Sarah Dimick, Harvard University, "Climate Careerists"
- Sarah Osment, Independent Scholar, "Jenny Offill's White Noise"
- Nicole Seymour, California State University, Fullerton, "Embarrassment as Environmentalist Politic"

Speculative Agriculture: Closing the Loop

Chair: Nora Castle

- Nora Castle, University of Warwick, "Everything here survives at the mercy of his balance": Agriculture and Ideology in Closed-Loop Future Imaginaries
- **Bodhisattva Chattopadhyay**, CoFUTURES / University of Oslo, Food Infrastructures in Global South Future Fictions
- **Fiona Farnsworth**, University of Warwick, 'In this place, we do not fear pestilence': Africanfuturist Fecundity Outside the World Food System in Tade Thompson's Rosewater
- Eliza Rose, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Recursive Utopias: Closed Biospheres in the Cold-War Imaginary
- **Rebecca Baker**, UC Santa Barbara, Mars Rising: Speculative Ecopoetics and Terraforming Futures on the Red Planet

Speculative Extinctions: Imagining Environmental Existental Risks

Chair: Tyler Harper, Bates College

- Maddison McGann, University of Iowa, "Viral Reception and the Crisis of Time in Mary Shelley's The Last Man"
- **Doron Darnov**, PhD Student in English at University of Wisconsin-Madison, "What is Planet Earth"
- Jingsi Shen, University of Washington, "Love, Water and Cockroach at the End of the World in Tsai Ming-Liang's The Hole"

- Nandita Mahajan, graduate student in English at the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, "Our Mortal Earth: Elegiac Speculations of Mass Extinction"
- Aaron Toscano, Associate Professor of English at UNC Charlotte, "No Profligates in the Wasteland: Nihilism and Neoliberalism in Post-Apocalyptic Fallout—New Vegas"
- Jeremy Chow, Bucknell University, "Extinction is Such a Drag"

The Ecology of Irrealism: Genre, Place, and Decoloniality in World-Literature

Chair: Esthie Hugo

- Esthie Hugo, University of Warwick, "A Violence 'Just Below the Skin': Atmospheric Terror and Racial Ecologies from West Africa"
- Amul Gyawali, University of Warwick, "Utopian Desire and 'Shangri-La': From James Hilton to Kim Stanley Robinson"
- **Giulia Champion**, Early Career Fellow, "Decolonising Human-Corn Relations: Agri-Cultural Irrealism in Hombres de maíz"

Seeping, Contaminating, E(merg)ing Bodies in Speculative Genres

Chair: Allison Mackey

- Elif Sendur, Rutgers University, "Concorporation and the Emergence of Sympoiesis in Monstress and Claymore"
- Burcu Kayışcı Akkoyun, Boğaziçi University, Turkey, "Eco-ethics and Aesthetics of Non-Human Storytelling"
- Allison Mackey, Universidad de la Republica, Uruguay, "The Emergence of Non-human Voices in Hemispheric Anthropocene fictions"
- **Cagatay Emre Dogan**, independant scholar, "Seeping Sounds, Magical Rivers: Nonhuman World of Apichatpong Weerasethakul"

Ecomedia and Empire

Chair: Carlos Nugent

- Monique Allewaert, University of Wisconsin—Madison, "Metamorphosizing Ecomedia"
- **Carlos Alonso Nugent**, Stanford University, "Mescalero Apache Pictographs Beyond U.S. and Mexican Settler Colonialisms"

- Hester Blum, Penn State University, "Arctic Ice and Figures of "Vanishing"
- **Rahul Mukherjee**, University of Pennsylvania, "Documenting Radiation and Songs of Displacement: Intermedial Relations across Time"

Imagining Environmental Futures

Chair: David Shackleton

- Jeffrey Barber, Integrative Strategies Forum, Production and Consumption of These Violent Delights: Westworld and the Challenge of Imagining Sustainable Futures
- **David Shackleton**, Cardiff University, "Africanfuturism: Wanuri Kahiu's and Nnedi Okorafor's Counter-Visions of Development"
- William Thompson, MacEwan University, "Hansel and Greta": Re-Imagining Grimms' Fairy Tales for a Post-Apocalyptic Future
- Nicholas Silcox, New York University, Reading Through Seawater: Electronic Literature & the Underwater.

Modeling Environmental Narrative

Chair: Bridgitte Barclay

- **Bridgitte Barclay**, Aurora University, "Webs of speculative fabulation": Creating Speculative Ecomedia in the Classroom
- Lydia Borowicz, University of California, Santa Barbara, Syncopated Time: Exhibiting Climate Futures
- Nick Earhart, University of Southern California, "Four Places": Ambient Comics and Criticism

Parenting & Community

Chair: Lauren Woolbright

- Lauren Woolbright, Alma College, Umbilical Haunting: Death Stranding and Geographies of the Sixth Great Extinction
- **Madison Myers**, University of Denver, Speculative Eco-Mothering: Mothering as a Response to the Anthropocene in Speculative and Ecofiction
- Alexandra Reznik, Chatham University, Individual Presentation

Queer Futurity

Chair: Kristin Ferebee

- Marika Brown, McMaster University, "Rocks among the Ruins: Earthly Entanglements and Queer Futures in Broken Earth and She-Ra and the Princesses of Power"
- Kristin Ferebee, Ghent University, The Child You Save May Be Your Own: Nonhuman Futurity on The Mandalorian's Space Frontier
- **Eva Hoffmann**, University of Oregon, The Non/Human in Contemporary German-language Speculative Fiction
- Elizabeth Boothby, Memorial University of Newfoundland, "The Next People": The Material Ecocritical Turn in Apocalyptic Fiction

Environmental Monstrosities

Chair: Carter Soles

- **Zak Bronson**, University of Western Ontario, "It Was Changing Everything": Posthumanism, the Anthropocene, and Body Horror in Annihilation
- **Matthew Lambert**, Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Of Mice and Monsters: The Atomic Grotesque in Judith Merril's "That Only a Mother" and Shadow on the Hearth
- Lindsay Jolivette, University of Southern California, EALC, Disastrous Projections: Nuclear Futurity in South Korea's Pandora
- **Carter Soles**, SUNY Brockport, Not the Apocalypse You Were Looking For: Contagion, The Crazies, COVID-19

Race & Environment

Chair: Matthew I. Thompson

- Sarah Parijs, Indiana University Bloomington, Darkening Gaia in The Broken Earth: Magical Others and Ruptures in Allegory
- **Christy Tidwell**, South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, "When nightmares swim": Afrofuturist Merpeople and Environmental Justice in "The Deep"
- Matthew I. Thompson, University of Toronto; Brock University, An Immodest Proposal: Soylent Green and the Fear of Being Consumed
- Stacey Baran, UC Davis, Preserving nature, whiteness, and tradition in Ari Aster's Midsommar

Strange Foods

Chair: Sabiha Khan

- Sriyanka Basak, Independent, The Quest for Sustainable Diet: Exploring the Horror in the Food Production Systems in Non-Fiction Films
- Samantha Hind, University of Sheffield, "IT'S ALIVE": Cultured Flesh in Mat Blackwell's Beef
- Sabiha Khan, The University of Texas at El Paso, Modeling the Future of Food through the Uncanny

Imagining Animals

Chair: Brittany Roberts

- **Brittany Roberts**, Southeastern Louisiana University, The Soviet Anthropocene: Desiccation, Desertification, and Environmental Horror in Dmitri Svetozarov's Hounds
- Elena Anatolievna Ivanova, Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, "Animal unknown to science" Cheburashka as an icon of Russian culture: stereotypes and archetypes
- Brett Mills, Edge Hill University, UK, Jaws, from the Shark's Point of View
- Ingrid Taylor, independent scholar, "A Water Crime:" The Boys' Superhero "The Deep" Manifests the Profound Ambivalence Toward Marine Animal Sentience in Capitalist Settler Colonialism

Ecohorror, True Crime, & Crime Fiction

Chair: Sara Crosby

- Sara Crosby, The Ohio State University at Marion, "Stay out of the forest!": True Crime's Ecohorror/Ecogothic Problem
- Anna Kirsch, Durham University, The Emergence of Environmentalist and Ecological Crime Fiction: The Anthropocene as Popular Consciousness
- Nicholas Sabo, University of Mississippi, Gender, Travel, and the Environment in Modernist and Contemporary Audio Horror

Making Ecomedia

Chair: Stephen Rust

• Isaac Rooks, Independent, Shifting Sands: Disney's 'Mulan' (2020), Xinjiang, and the Unanticipated Power of Location

- **Stephen Rust**, University of Oregon, What Price Beauty? An Ecocritical Analysis of Merchant Ivory Productions
- **Ryan Yang**, University of Georgia, Camera/Canvas/Chance: 24 Frames (2017) and the Essayistic Form of Natural Observation

Ruins & Performance

Chair: Fereshteh Toosi

- Fereshteh Toosi, Florida International University, Oil Ancestors: Relating to Petroleum as Kin
- Sadie Barker, Concordia University, Reframing the Apocalypse: Severance and the Ruins of Desire
- Kelly Richmond, Cornell University, Ghosts in the Gallery: Performing the Ecological Uncanny in The Anthropocene Project

Eco-Play: Gaming & Environment

Chair: Nusrat Zahan Chowdhury

- Nusrat Zahan Chowdhury, The University of Texas at Dallas, Digital Games as a way of Reconsidering Care, Exploitation and Governance: An Ecocritical Analysis of Plants Vs. Zombies (2009)
- Morgan Pinder, Deakin University, Scholarly paper based on findings from Higher Degree by Research thesis
- Victoria Googasian, Georgetown University in Qatar, Games, play, and planetary fictions

Comics & Graphic Narrative

Chair: Filip Boratyn

- Victor Taku, University of Buea, Cameroon, Process Drama and Protection of Wildlife: Adapting "The Death of Mr Leopard" from Tale into Comic Strips
- Filip Boratyn, University of Warsaw, Negotiating the Ecotopia: Challenges to Relationality in the Krakoa Era of Marvel's X-Men Comics
- Manvi Sharma and Ajay K Chaubey, National Institute of Technology Uttarakhand, Eco-dystopia and Literary Aesthetics: A Critical Reading of Sarnath Banerjee's All Quiet in Vikaspuri

Animated Potentialities

Chair: Guillermo Guadarrama Mendoza

- Sayantani Sengupta, St. Xavier's University, India, Anime and Ecocriticism: An Ecofeminist analysis of Shinkai's Garden of Words and Weathering With You
- **Guillermo Guadarrama Mendoza**, Universidad del Valle de Puebla, An Ecological Reconciliation?: Reading Hayao Miyazaki's "Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind" Through Timothy Morton's Concept of Agrilogistics
- **Navaneetha Suresh**, BITS Pilani, Goa campus, Rurban Spatiality in the Cartoons of Mario De Miranda: An Ecocosmopolitan Approach