



**The International Association for Environmental Philosophy
Twenty-Fifth Annual Meeting
Friday 15 October–Saturday 16 October 2021
Online Only!**

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All Times Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

FRIDAY 15 OCTOBER 2021

**Co-Directors Opening Remarks
FRIDAY 8:45 a.m.**

FRIDAY MORNING 9:00–10:30

Session 1: *Roots and Futures*

Moderator: Jonathan Beever, Central Florida University

“Environmental Philosophy and the Humboldtian Legacy,” Zach Vereb, University of Mississippi

“The Pedagogical Value of Civic Engagement in Environmental Justice: A Case Study,” Craig Condella, Salve Regina University

“Notes on Henrich Steffens’ proto-environmental philosophy,” Pier Francesco Corvino, Università degli studi di Trieste

FRIDAY MORNING 10:30–10:45, Break

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Session 1: *Semiotics and Animal Hermeneutics*

Moderator: Jonathan Beever, University of Central Florida

“Not-Thinking, Like a Mountain: Hermeneutics, Language, and Animal Communication,” Brian Treanor, Loyola Marymount University

“A Bio-semiotic & Biomimetic Approach to Ecological Ethics,” Chris Durante, Saint Peter’s University

“Ecological Emptiness: A Politics of Meaning,” Joshua Jones, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario

Session 2: *Attention, Care, and Listening*

Moderator: Janet Donohoe, University of West Georgia

“Atmospheric Listening: Rethinking Communication and Normativity through Sound,” Franziska Strack, Johns Hopkins University

“An Environmental Ethic of Attention,” Nora Ward, National University of Ireland

“Towards a Positive, Joyful Environmental Ethic: Gratitude, Gift Giving, and Nonhuman Epistemic Justice,” Justin Simpson, University of Georgia

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 12:15–2:00, Break

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 2:00–3:30

Session 1: *Scott Cameron Memorial Lecture*

Moderator: Jonathan Maskit, Denison University

“Undoing Growth: Degrowth as a Radical Alternative to Neoliberalism,” Barbara Muraca, University of Oregon

Session 2: *Feminism, Ecofeminism, and Care*

Moderator: Rachel Jones, George Mason University

“Care epistemology and the more-than-human world,” Brooke Burns, University of Oregon

“African Feminist Environmental Philosophy: Centring an African Feminist Perspective on the Environment and its Inhabitants,” Yolandi Coetser, North West University, South Africa

“Adorno and Ecofeminist Animal Ethics: Suffering, Care, Critique,” Jordan Daniels, Pomona College

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 3:30–3:45, Break

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Session 1: *Interspeciality*

Moderator: Rachel Jones, George Mason University

“Merleau-Ponty and Animal Empathy,” Chandler Rogers, Boston College

“Buber & Irigaray: A Dialogue on Interspecies Corporeality,” Kirstin Waldkoenig,
University of Oregon

“Owl vs Owl: Interspecies Repair in the Old Growth Forest,” Benjamin Almassi,
Governors State University

Session 2: *Technologies*

Moderator: Jonathan Maskit, Denison University

“Focal Curiosity: Technology and David Wood’s “Cosmic Passions,” Joey Aloï,
Kanawha Institute for Social Research and Action

“Soap and the Skin Microbiome: Towards an Environmental Ethic of Cleanliness
Practices,” Annie Ring, University of Oregon

“Environmental Justice in Digital Worlds,” Ian Werkheiser, University of Texas Rio
Grande Valley

**IAEP BUSINESS MEETING
FRIDAY 5:30–7:00 p.m.**

**IAEP RECEPTION
FRIDAY 8:30 p.m.**

SATURDAY 16 October 2021

SATURDAY MORNING 9:00–10:30

Session 1: *Decolonization*

Moderator: Julia Gibson, Antioch University

“Decolonizing Philosophy by Derailing Terra Nullius: Indigenous’ Contributions,”
Carolina Sanchez-De Jaegher, University of Louvain, Belgium

“The Coloniality of Nature: The Grand Coulee Dam and the Darker Side of
Modernity,” Jeff Gessas, University of North Texas

“Whose Territory is the Terrestrial? Latour’s Lingering Colonialism,” Michael Norton,
University of Arkansas, Littlerock

Session 2: *Critical Theories*

Moderator: Jeremy Bendik-Keymer, Case Western Reserve University

~~“Organisms and Industries: Applying Niklas Luhmann’s Social Systems Analysis,”
Yogi Hendlin, Erasmus University Rotterdam~~

“In Defense of Nature’s Speech: A Reply to Steven Vogel,” Henry Kramer, CUNY
Hunter College

“Transparent, Trivial, and Occluded: A Taxonomy of Climate Scepticisms,” Edward Guetti,
CEBRAP - Sustainability Research Nucleus, Brazil

SATURDAY MORNING 10:30–10:45, Break

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Session 1: *Different Worlds*

Moderator: Jeremy Bendik-Keymer

“Reading the Eco-Weird: Speculative Realism, Hermeneutics, and the Otherness
of Nature,” Brian Onishi, Pennsylvania State University Altoona, and Nathan Bell,
Dallas College

“Dark Forests and Doomed Adventurers: An Ecocritical Reading of Contemporary
Horror Roleplaying Games,” Chloé Germaine, Manchester Metropolitan University

“A World of Many Worlds: A Decolonial Option for Climate Migration,” Romy
Opperman, New School University

Session 2: *Alternative Futures (and Pasts)*

Moderator: Jonathan Maskit, Denison University

“Spaces of Possibility: Liberty, Ecological Limits and the Utopian Frame,” Piers
Stephens, University of Georgia

“An Ecology of the Instant: Gaston Bachelard on Imagination, Rhythm and Eternity,”

Julian Evans, Western University Ontario

“Everyday Eschatology and Climate Imaginaries,” Russell Duvernoy, King’s University
College at Western University Ontario

SATURDAY AFTERNOON 12:30–2:15, Lunch and Keynote Address

“The Climate Crisis: What’s Gender Got to Do with It?”

Joni Seager

Bentley University, Global Studies

in Conversation with

**Janet Donohoe (University of West Georgia) and Rachel Jones (George Mason
University)**

SATURDAY AFTERNOON 2:30–4:00

Session 1: *Author Meets Critics: Marjolein Oele’s E-Co-Affectivity*

Moderator: Rachel Jones, George Mason University

Ed Casey, Stony Brook University

Ruthanne Crapo Kim, Minneapolis College

Marjolein Oele, University of San Francisco

Session 2: *Flourishing*

Moderator: Julia Gibson, Antioch University

“Human Flourishing, Freeriding, and Sustainable Development,” Benjamin Hole,
Pacific University

“Affective scaffolding in nature,” Amanda Corris, University of Minnesota

“Ecological Culture in Chinese Traditional Mountain and Water Painting,” Giacomo
Bruni, China Academy of Art

SATURDAY AFTERNOON 4:00–4:15, Break

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**Session 1: *Roundtable on Dipesh Chakrabarty’s The Climate of History in a Planetary
Age***

Moderator: Jeremy Bendik-Keymer, Case Western Reserve University

Neil Brenner, University of Chicago

Danielle Celermajer, University of Sydney

Dipesh Chakrabarty, University of Chicago

Agni Kalfagianni, Universiteit Utrecht

Thomas Nail, University of Denver

Stefan Pedersen, University of Leeds

Dimitris Stevis, Colorado State University

Christine Winter, University of Sydney

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