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

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**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

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**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 Aloi, 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, Little Rock

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 Skepticisms,” 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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