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Greetings from the Program Committee!

Our society’s first gathering in Washington offers an opportunity for environmental historians to engage with policymakers, lawyers, scientists, and NGOs to examine the intersection of protest and policy both in the United States and around the world. With that in mind, the 100 panels in our program feature scholars from government agencies, specialists on environmental justice in Washington and beyond, a range of international participants, and panels on the idea of the Anthropocene, marine environmental history, and energy regimes, among many topics. Throughout the conference, panels on teaching and writing address the needs of our members at all levels of expertise.

Our planned Thursday plenary speaker, EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, has spent over 30 years working to implement environmental policies at all levels of government. She has been invited to address the role of environmental history in making policy. ASEH President Gregg Mitman will keynote the Saturday luncheon.

In addition to the panels, the conference offers workshops on subjects such as navigating the wealth of resources at the National Archives, a Saturday panel on the work of and funding opportunities with the National Endowment for the Humanities with follow-up times for meeting with an NEH official, and special events designed to connect authors and publishers in our book exhibit. And of course, Washington offers a range of great Friday afternoon field trips, from birding at Patuxent to a social justice tour of the Anacostia neighborhood to a behind-the-scenes tour of the National Zoo, with day trips after the conference also available to Civil War battlefields and wine country.

Finally, the program committee asks you to join us in thanking the Local Arrangements Committee for all of the work that goes into hosting a conference of several hundred people. Most important, we all recognize that the conference would barely function, and might not even happen, without the dedication, judgment, and skill of Lisa Mighetto. When you see her in Washington, take a moment to thank her for keeping the organization and its annual meetings running so smoothly!

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Welcome from the Local Arrangements Committee

The Local Arrangements Committee extends a warm welcome to Washington, DC! The conference theme, “Turning Protest into Policy: Environmental Values and Governance in Changing Societies,” points to the impact of protest and the struggle to shape national and international environmental policy. Many protests are brought to the capital, such as the anti-KeyStone Pipeline protest in February 2013 that brought 40,000 protestors to town.

Originally inhabited by the Piscataway tribe, the capital region was part of the 17th-century English colonization effort. In 1790, the United States Congress established the District of Columbia from parts of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the State of Maryland, and named the capital city Washington, for the nation’s first president. The Potomac River bisected the District before emptying into Chesapeake Bay. The District originally included the colonial settlements of Georgetown and Alexandria, but in 1846 the Potomac River became the western boundary. In 1791, President Washington commissioned the French architect Pierre L’Enfant to design the plan for the city, which provided for a grid system of streets with broad avenues radiating from various squares and circles. Navigating the streets can be challenging, but the squares and circles provide public space as well as easily identifiable landmarks. The conference hotel is between Washington and Dupont Circles.

The District has a lot to offer visitors. Every year, millions visit the National Mall, the broad park stretching between the Capitol and numerous monuments, including the iconic Washington Monument, the Thomas Jefferson Memorial, the relatively new Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial, and ending at the Lincoln Memorial. Many of the Smithsonian museums flank the Mall. The Library of Congress is located just behind (east of) the Capitol.

In addition to parks, museums, and archives, the Washington region is home to several universities, including Georgetown University, George Mason University, the University of Maryland, Virginia Tech, and others. The Local Arrangements Committee has put together some fantastic field trips especially tailored for environmental historians, and several are free.

The capital region offers a variety of transportation options, detailed elsewhere in this program, but at least two deserve mention. Eero Saarinen designed the award-winning Dulles International Airport, which was dedicated by John F. Kennedy in 1962. The Washington Metro rapid transit system, which opened its first segment in 1976, serves as an important transportation network for the capital region and continues to grow.

The ASEH Annual Meeting coincides with the Environmental Film Festival in the Nation’s Capitol, providing more learning and networking opportunities for attendees. In addition, the National Cherry Blossom Festival will begin on March 20. With monuments, parks, museums, and events, it is not surprising that Washington, DC was named the Best in Travel 2015 by Lonely Planet. We hope that ASEH conference goers enjoy these opportunities and that the conference is a rewarding experience.

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Thomas Zeller, University of Maryland
Conference Information

Location and Lodging

The conference will be located at the Washington Marriott Georgetown, 1221 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037. Phone: 202-872-1500. To reserve a room online, see: http://aseh.net/conference-workshops/dc-conference-2015 (DC conference/hotel)

The conference hotel rate is $189/night single or double, with a limited number of student rooms available for $142/night.

Transportation options:
Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: approximately $30 USD (one-way); on request
Bus service; fee: approximately $17 USD (one-way)
Estimated taxi fare: approximately $15 USD (one-way)

Washington Dulles International Airport – IAD:
Distance to conference hotel: 27 miles
Transportation options:
Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: approximately $65 USD (one-way); on request
Estimated taxi fare: approximately $45 USD (one-way)

Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – BWI:
Distance to conference hotel: 33 miles
Transportation options:
Red Top Executive Sedan Service; fee: approximately $75 USD (one-way); on request
Estimated taxi fare: approximately $75 USD (one-way)

Bus Station
Greyhound at Union Station approximately three miles to conference hotel

Metro - Subway Station
Dupont Circle Metro Station (Red Line) 0.3 miles from conference hotel
Foggy Bottom Metro Station (Blue Line) 0.4 miles from conference hotel
See maps at the back of this program for more information on Metro.

Train Station
Amtrak Train at Union Station approximately three miles to conference hotel.
See ASEH’s website (www.aseh.net “conferences – Washington, DC”) for more information on airport and other transportation websites.

Walking Around in DC

The hotel is located near Georgetown, in a vibrant area near restaurants, bars, and public transportation. Exercise caution and common sense when walking at night, as you would in any large city.

See ASEH’s website (www.aseh.net “conferences – Washington, DC”) for information on exploring the historic districts and museums of DC.

Local Weather

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Twitter

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Commitment to Sustainability

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Registration

To register for the conference, go to: https://www.regonline.com/register/checkin.aspx?EventId=1634168&MethodId=0&EventSessionId=&startnewreg=1

Transportation

Area Airports
Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport – DCA: Distance to conference hotel: 6 miles
On Metro, take blue line and get off at Foggy Bottom stop. Please note that the conference hotel does not provide shuttle service.

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Conference at a Glance

This section is designed to provide a quick review of conference events; more detailed descriptions of these events appear in the next section.

Wednesday, March 18

National Archives Workshop, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Location: Georgetown I [level one] and off-site tour at National Archives

Opening Reception, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Location: Dupont Ballroom [level two]

Thursday, March 19

Breakfast: War & Environment, 7:15 – 8:15 a.m. Location: Thomas Room [level two]

Lunch Banquet and ASEH president’s talk on “Forgotten Paths of Empire,” 12:00 – 1:15 p.m., Dupont Ballroom [level two]

Concurrent Sessions 1, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Concurrent Sessions 2, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Concurrent Sessions 3, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Concurrent Sessions 4, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to a mixer/reception after the environmental litigation session, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the conference hotel, Georgetown I. Meet government attorneys who hire historians as expert witnesses. Sponsored by Historical Research Associates, Inc.

Plenary Session, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m., Location: Westend Ballroom [level two]

Graduate Student Reception, 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. Location: Dupont Ballroom [level two]

The Environmental history and the law interest group invites you to attend a meeting at 9:00 p.m. in Georgetown I [level one] For more information please contact David Schorr at dschorr@tau.ac.il

Friday, March 20

Breakfast: Forest History Society, 7:15 – 8:15 a.m. Location: Thomas Room [level two]

Concurrent Sessions 5, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Concurrent Sessions 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Field trips, 12:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – buses board outside hotel. Field trips #1, #2, #3, and #4 do not involve bus transportation and will meet in session rooms at the outset; check descriptions below.

Graduate Student Caucus Meeting, 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. Location: Salon A [level two]

Editorial Board Meeting, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Location: Thomas Room [level two]

No-Host Dinners on Friday evening (all are welcome; contact the people listed below to sign up)

Energy – Robert Lifset (robertlifset@ou.edu)
Diversity/Environmental Justice – Michael J. Dockry (mdockry@fs.fed.us)

Saturday, March 21

Hal Rothman Fun(d) Run, 6:15 - 7:15 a.m., meet in ground floor lobby of hotel

Breakfast: Envirotech, 7:15 - 8:15 a.m. Location: Dupont G [level two]

The Environmental and Health Network has organized a no-host lunch for Saturday; if you are interested, contact Christopher Sellers at christopher.sellers@stonybrook.edu

Concurrent Sessions 7, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Concurrent Sessions 8, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Concurrent Sessions 9, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Concurrent Sessions 10, 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

ASEH Business/Members Meeting – All Members Welcome, 5:30-6:00 p.m. Location: Dupont GH [level two]

Posters Reception, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Ballroom Foyer [level two]

Awards Ceremony, 7:00 – 7:45 p.m., Location: Westend Ballroom DE [level two]

Closing Reception, 7:45 – 9:00 p.m., Location: Westend Ballroom ABC [level two]

Sunday, March 22

Field trip to Harpers Ferry/Antietam National Battlefield – board bus outside ground floor lobby at 8:00 a.m.

Field trip to Monticello/wineries – board bus outside ground floor lobby at 8:00 a.m.

Registration Desk Hours:

Located in Logan Room [level two]

Wednesday, March 18 - 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 19 - 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, March 20 - 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 21 - 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Hours:

Located in the Ballroom Foyer [level two]

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon (afternoon break for field trips)
Saturday, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Special Events
Please note that participants need to sign up ahead of time for special events—see the online registration form at www.aseh.net "conferences—Washington, DC."

Workshops
National Archives Workshop
Wednesday, March 18, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Meet in Georgetown I [level one]
This half-day workshop, free for conference participants, will outline federal records of interest to environmental historians. Archivists will review finding aids, record groups, and online resources. ASES historians Jay Turner, Wellesley College, and Martin Reuss, retired historian of the US Army Corps of Engineers, will also talk about researching federal records.

Receptions
Opening Reception
Sponsored by Oxford University Press and Dawson & Associates
Wednesday, March 18, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Dupont Ballroom [level two]
Admission is free for conference registrants, but sign-up on online registration form is required. Join your colleagues for bipartisan appetizers and drinks. Includes cash bar.

Graduate Student Reception
Sponsored by Georgetown University - Environmental Initiative, College of Arts and Sciences and Office of the Provost
Thursday, March 19, 9:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Dupont Ballroom [level two]
Brief welcome from ASEH's graduate student liaison, with an update on ASEH graduate student activities. Free book raffle, light appetizers, and cash bar.

Closing Reception
Sponsored by University of Maryland
Saturday, March 21, 7:45 – 9:00 p.m.
Westend Ballroom ABC [level two]
Admission is free for conference registrants; but sign-up on the registration form is required. Join your colleagues for bipartisan appetizers and drinks. Includes cash bar.

Plenary Session
Sponsored by Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation
Thursday, March 19, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Westend Ballroom [level two]
Invited speaker: US Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy.

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Dupont G [level two]

Luncheon
Thursday, March 19, 12:00 – 1:15 p.m.
Dupont Ballroom [level two]
Join us for Gregg Mitman’s presidential address “Forgotten Paths of Empire.”

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Field trips
Friday Afternoon Field Trips, March 20, 12:00 noon – approximately 5:30 p.m.
Note: Field trips #1 - #4 are free for conference registrants and do not include box lunches or require bus transportation (trips #3 and #4 will stop for a no-host lunch on-site). Field trips #5 - #9 require fees and include box lunches. Field trips #5 - #9 require boarding buses outside the hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m. Please read the descriptions and instructions for each trip carefully. Wear comfortable shoes and bring a jacket. Be prepared for rain.

#1 Walking Tour: National Mall
Cost: free/no fee
Meet at 1:15 p.m. in Westend Salon A [level two]
Leader: Deborah Hurtt, National Endowment for the Humanities

Description: This field trip will provide an overview of the National Mall area, with visits to some of the memorials and a look at some of the architecture around the mall. With the US Capitol on the east end, the Lincoln Memorial on the west end, and the Washington Monument in between, the Mall has been the site of thousands of protests and major events over two centuries, as well as a major tourist destination. Working with President Thomas Jefferson, Pierre L’Enfant planned an impressive capital city, including the grand avenue with parks that became the National Mall, the oldest parkland managed by the National Park Service. The current plan for the Mall reflects the 1901 plan by the McMillan Commission, with an open area lined with shade trees and public walkways.

#2 Walking Tour: Rock Creek Park
Cost: free/no fee
Meet at 1:15 p.m. Westend Salon B [level two]
Leader: Darren Speece, Sidwell Friends School, Washington, DC

Description: Explore this urban park in the heart of DC, located adjacent to the conference hotel, with a historian who has devoted years to researching it. Rock Creek National Park is the nation’s oldest urban forest park, created in 1890. We’ll leave the conference center on foot, hike into the park, and see if we can reach the Klingle Mansion and the Pierce Mill, walking along the south and west side of the National Zoo, discussing the geology, forest, and built landscape. The hike will last approximately 3 hours, covering relatively gentle terrain along the creek, though we will need to hike in and out of the valley. Wear walking shoes and dress for the weather. We’ll point out some highlights along the way, but there will also be ample opportunity to observe and interpret the landscape on your own as well as with a group. Native peoples used what is now Rock Creek Park for fishing and quarrying soapstone.

#3 The National Museum of the American Indian: A Behind-the-Scenes Tour
Cost: free/no fee
Meet at 12:15 p.m. in Westend Salon C [level two]—there will be a no-host lunch at the museum cafeteria, which specializes in the cuisine of native peoples.
Leader: Michael J. Dockry, USDA Forest Service (and chair of ASEH’s Diversity Committee)

This trip will focus on the representations of indigenous people and the environment in public art. The Museum, part of the Smithsonian Institution, houses one of the world’s largest and most diverse collections of Native American art and artifacts. Museum staff will guide the tour, which will include discussions on indigenous versus non-indigenous curation and the interpretation of indigenous people and the environment. The tour will include an optional walk to the William Jefferson Clinton Building to view and discuss the WPA murals and the controversial portrayal of native peoples as public art and as historical artifacts. The group will stop at the museum cafeteria for a no-host lunch.
For more information, see: http://nmai.si.edu/home/

#4 National Zoo: A Behind-the-Scenes Tour
Cost: free/no fee
Meet at 12:15 in Westend Salon D [level two]—Participants will stop for a no-host lunch at the zoo.
Leader: Kate Christen, Smithsonian Institution

Description: The National Zoological Park is a 66-hectare facility founded in 1889 to provide leadership in animal care, science, and education. Field trip participants will get a rare behind-the-scenes look at the facility and the chance to talk to some of the scientists that provide support and care for the Zoo’s 2,000 individual animals. Topics of discussion will include wildlife protection, research, and interpretation at the zoo over time. Together with the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute’s 1,300-hectare facility in Front Royal, the Zoo is home to 400 species of animals. Many of the species are endangered or threatened, notably the giant pandas, on loan from China.

This trip will include walking around 1 mile from a Metro stop to the zoo entrance as well as walking around the zoo. We are working on obtaining a van for participants with limited mobility (for transportation from the conference hotel to the zoo entrance). http://nationalzoo.si.edu/
#5 Environmental Justice Tour of Anacostia River/Bladensburg Waterfront Park
Cost: $35
Board bus #7 outside hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m.; box lunch included.

Leader: Dawn Biehler, University of Maryland

Description: The field trip includes a discussion of the environmental history of the Anacostia River and Anacostia River pontoon boat tour operated by the Bladensburg Waterfront Park. The Anacostia Watershed Society, the primary force in improving the health of the Anacostia River, will provide the expertise for river portion of the field trip. Following the boat tour, the field trip will head over to the Anacostia Community Museum, founded in 1967 as an outreach effort by the Smithsonian Institution to the local African American community. Exhibits have highlighted area history, as well as the broader African American experience, including The Frederick Douglass Years, The Renaissance: Black Arts of the Twenties, Real McCoy: African American Invention and Innovation, and Climbing Jacobs Ladder: The Rise of Black Churches in Eastern American Cities, 1740–1877.


#6 Birding at Patuxent National Research Refuge
Cost: $25
Sponsored in part by the US Fish and Wildlife Service
Board bus #5 outside hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m.; box lunch included.

Leaders: Mark Madison, chief historian US Fish and Wildlife Service and David Wiedenfeld, American Bird Conservancy

Description: Spring is an excellent time to see birds in the Washington, DC area! Will include a tour of the facility and a hike on the boardwalk. See: http://www.fws.gov/refuge/patuxent/

#7 DC Water Issues: Past and Present
Cost: $25
Board bus #6 outside hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m.; box lunch included.

Leaders: Representatives from Baltimore District, US Army Corps of Engineers

Description: A team of historians and engineers will lead this tour that examines the impact of the Corps’ reclamation and flood control projects on the District of Columbia. Army engineers have been involved with the city since its inception. An Act of Congress established the federal city in 1790, and the following year engineer Captain Pierre L’Enfant - with input from Thomas Jefferson - sketched the original plan for the city. At the time, the Potomac River was much closer to the White House and Tiber Creek stretched from the Patomac nearly to the Capitol. During the late 19th century, the US Army Corps of Engineers transformed these wetlands, reclaiming the land that is now the site of the much of the National Mall and East and West Potomac parks. After laying the historical foundation for the reclamation of the Washington river front, engineers will provide attendees with an overview of the system of levees currently protecting the city. During the tour attendees will walk from the Washington Monument to the Lincoln Memorial, approximately one mile.

#8 National Arboretum Tour
Cost: $25
Board bus #8 outside hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m.; box lunch included.

Leader: Jeffrey Slope, Smithsonian Institution

Description: Spring is the perfect time to view the trees and flowers at the national arboretum. Established in 1927 as a research facility for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the National Arboretum opened its gates to the public in 1949. Its 446 acres include display gardens, walking trails, one of the highest peaks in the District of Columbia, and such hidden gems as the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum. Bounded on one side by the Anacostia River, the Arboretum offers a green sanctuary in the middle of a highly urbanized region, and engages a diverse population with its year-round educational programs.

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Both tours will feature a series of field discussions with staff scientists who will talk about their environmental horticulture research projects and the “living collections” they oversee. The trip will conclude with optional self-guided tours of special exhibits, or a walk up Mt. Hamilton, for a singular view of the city.

For more information, see: http://www.usna.usda.gov/ the stage for a wave a canal construction across the nation.

#9 Great Falls Park
Cost: $35
Board bus #9 outside hotel lobby by 12:15 p.m.; box lunch included.

Leaders: Milan Pavich, retired USGS geomorphologist and Jim Cummins, biologist and Director for Living Resources at the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin

Participants will be treated to striking views of the river and an introduction to the area’s geologic, human, and natural history, including evidence of climate change. The tour will be about two miles in length.

Lying on the transition between the Piedmont Plateau and the Atlantic Coastal Plain, the Great Falls area was long a trading crossroads, first for Native Americans, then for Europeans. George Washington spent his lifetime advocating improved navigation on the Potomac to serve what would be a new country’s manifest destiny. After the revolution he became president of the Patowmack Company to carry out his dream. For 17 years, the company built skirting canals and locks and dredged the river’s shallow areas. Its biggest challenge was bypassing Great Falls and its nearly 80-foot/mile drop. Today, visitors can see the remains of five locks, three of them chiseled out of solid rock. Despite these efforts, the river could not be tamed: most of the year it ran either too high or too low for navigation. The project quickly proved itself a financial failure, and was abandoned in 1830. Nevertheless, it set the stage for a wave a canal construction across the nation.

Lunch included.
Sunday Field Trips, March 22, 8:00 a.m. – approximately 6:00 p.m.

Day Tour of Antietam Battlefield and Harpers Ferry
Cost: $35
Sponsored in part by Center for the History of Agriculture, Science, and the Environment of the South at Mississippi State University (CHASES)

Leaders: Lisa M. Brady, Boise State University, Tim Silver, Appalachian State University, and Gerard J. Fitzgerald, George Mason University

Description: This field trip, led by ASEH's War and Environment group, will explore two iconic sites in Civil War history. This is an all-day trip and will include some walking; lunch will be provided. See: http://www.nps.gov/anti/index.htm and http://www.nps.gov/hafe/index.htm and Board the bus outside the ground floor lobby by 7:45 a.m.; bus will depart promptly at 8:00 a.m. Wear comfortable shoes and bring a jacket; be prepared for rain. Lunch will be provided.

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An Ecological Look at Wine in Virginia: Past and Present
Cost: $65
Leader: Gabriella Petrick, George Mason University

Description: This day trip will include wine tasting and a stop at Monticello – Thomas Jefferson's home. Admission is free for conference registrants, but sign-up on the registration form is required. Join your colleagues for bipartisan appetizers and drinks on the last night of the conference! Includes cash bar.

Additional Friday Events

Journal Editorial Board Meeting
Friday, March 20, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Thomas Room [level two]
Sponsored by Oxford University Press

For editorial board members only. Editor Lisa M. Brady will preside over this meeting, which will include appetizers.

Graduate Student Caucus Meeting
Friday, March 20, 6:45 - 7:30 p.m.
Westend Salon A [level two]

All graduate students welcome. This is your chance to weigh in on ASEH's programs and future activities. Many participants will be leaving for dinner in the Georgetown area after the meeting.

Saturday Events

Hal Rothman Fun(d) Run
6:15 a.m.-7:15 a.m.
Meet in the hotel's ground floor lobby to participate in this run in the Georgetown area to benefit ASEH's Hal Rothman Research Fellowship for graduate students. To sign up see conference registration form.

AASE Executive Committee Meeting
12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Location: Dupont F [level two]

President Gregg Mitman will preside over this meeting (for executive committee members only).

AASE Business/Members Meeting
5:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Location: Dupont GH [level two]

Everyone welcome. This is your chance to weigh in as President Gregg Mitman summarizes ASEH's latest initiatives and discusses the future of our organization.

View the posters and meet the authors, who will be available to discuss their research. Kurk Dorsey, program committee chair, will present an award for the most effective poster at 7:00 p.m.

Awards Ceremony
7:00 – 7:45 p.m.
Location: Westend Ballroom DE [level two]

Help celebrate scholarship in environmental history and support your colleagues! President Gregg Mitman will present the following awards:

Distinguished Service: Joel Tarr, Carnegie Mellon University

Samuel Hays Research Fellowship: Andrea Elizabeth Williams, Colorado State University, for her project, “Planting Politics: French Scientific Forestry and Empire in the Nineteenth-Century Mediterranean”

Hal Rothman Research Fellowship for Graduate Student: Daniel Soucier, University of Maine, “Navigating Wilderness and Borderland: Towards an Environmental History of the American War for Independence, 1775-1779”

Awards for public outreach career, best book, best dissertation, and best articles will also be presented.

Closing Reception
7:45 – 9:00 p.m.
Location: Westend Ballroom ABC
Sponsored by University of Maryland

Admission is free for conference registrants, but sign-up on the registration form is required. Join your colleagues for bipartisan appetizers and drinks on the last night of the conference! Includes cash bar.

Exhibits

The exhibits will be located in the ballroom foyer on level two, where coffee, tea, and water will be provided during the morning breaks. Coffee and tea sponsored in part by Oregon State University Press and University of Washington Press.

Hours:
Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon (afternoon break for field trips)
Saturday, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

The following publishers and organizations have reserved tables in our exhibit area:

American Society for Environmental History
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Oregon State University Press
Oxford University Press
Scholars Choice
Texas A&M University Press
The MIT Press

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The Penguin Group
University of Alabama Press
University of California Press
University of Chicago Press
University of Georgia Press
University of Hawaii Press
University of Massachusetts Press
University of Nebraska Press
University of North Carolina Press
University of Oklahoma Press
University of Pittsburgh Press
University of Virginia Press
University of Washington Press
University Press of Kansas
Yale University Press
Posters

The following is a list of posters to be displayed throughout the conference in the Ballroom Foyer [level two]. Presenters will be available to discuss their posters on Saturday evening, March 21, from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., and program committee chair Kurk Dorsey will present an award for the most effective poster.

Blake Scott Ball, “Peanuts, Capitalist Discontent, and the Emergence of an Environmental Movement, 1950-1980” – University of Alabama


Silas Chamberlin, “This Trail Disturbs the Peace: Considering the Spatial Politics of Rails-to-Trails Conversions” – Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Joseph Caldeira, “Metropolitan Parks and The Failed Promise of Regionalism in Detroit, 1940-1970” – University of Michigan

Jennifer Colton, “Landscape Photography and Its Role in the Development of Environmental Awareness” – Washington University College of Art and Graduate School of Art, St. Louis, Missouri


Nathan Delaney, “World Copper Smelting Pollution over the Longue Durée: From the Romans until Present Day” – Case Western Reserve University

Joseph Dix, “Frontier and Nature in Brazil: the Vast Hinterland of Goiás and the Symbolic Construction of the Brazilian West” – State University of Goiás/Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina /UFSC, Brazil

Adrianna Ebert, “The Promise of Regionalism in Detroit, 1940-1970” – University of Michigan

Sandro Dutra e Silva, “‘This Trail Disturbs the Peace: Considering the Spatial Politics of Rails-to-Trails Conversions’” – Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Hayley Goodchild, “Skill the Makers, Squeeze the Cows: An Environmental Analysis of the Labor Crisis in the Ontario Cheese Industry ca. 1911” – McMaster University

Kieran Hannah, “The Experience of American Soldiers in the Middle Eastern Environment and the Failures of American Political and Military Perspective” – Reed College

Benjamin Hayes, “Interpreting Climate Change at Pacific Island Battlegrounds” – National Park Service

Lynne Heasley, “Landscapes Below: Bathymetry, Diving, and Underwater Photography in Great Lakes Protection” – Western Michigan University

Glenn Iciom, “I Shall Get You Any Curiosity Worth While': Collecting Biases in Material Exchange in the Artifact Trade in the Northern Yukon, 1860-1910” – University of Saskatchewan

Michael Lewis and E. Elena Songster, “Protesting the Protection of Snow Leopards: The Process of Creating Conservation Policy for the Phantom Cat across the China-India Border and Beyond” – Salisbury University and Saint Mary’s College of California


Rennie Meyers, “The Big Tomorrow: Banking the Bahamas on American Rhetorical Tours” – Reed College

Samira Peruchi Moretto and Rubens Onofre Nodari, “Feijoa (Acca sellowiana) one fruit from Brazil to the world” – Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina /UFSC, Brazil

Sasha Peters, “Soviet Village Prose and its Environmental Ramifications” – Reed College


S. Ganapathy Venkatasubramanian, “Judicial Facilitation of Good Environmental Governance: Complementing, Supplementing and Catalyzing Enforcement- a Critical Review of Indian Experience” – Anna University, India

Joshua Wrigley, “Voices From the Fisheries: Collect, Archive, and Share” – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service


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Note: This is a list of conference sessions only; see preceding pages for a list of all special events.

**Conservation, Mobility, and the State: Histories of Preservation in the “Global South”**

**Panel 1-A: Georgetown I [level one]**

**Chair and Commentator:** Meredith McKittrick, Georgetown University

**Participants:**
- Julie Marie Weiskopf, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
- Jeff Schauer, University of Las Vegas-Nevada
- Fauna Económicas and Colonial Politics on the Kafue Flats in Zambia, 1950-1960
- Chau Johnson Kelly, University of North Florida
- Commodified Water in Coastal Tanzania: Poverty, Social Conflict, and Natural Resources, 1930-1937

**Sharika Crawford,** US Naval Academy

**Turtle Fisheries, Circular Migration, and Maritime Boundaries in Caribbean Colombia, 1925-1930**

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**Panel 1-B: Georgetown II [level one]**

**Chair:** Michael Egan, McMaster University

**Participants:**
- James Henry Bergman, Michigan State University
- Modeling Stability in the Face of Uncertainty: Taming Climatic Fluctuations at Postwar Seabrook Farms
- Connemara Doran, Harvard University
- Modeling the ‘Ride Up’ ‘Hubbert’s Peak’ and Post-Peak Environmental Precipice: Controversies, Rhetic, and Policy Challenges
- Rachel Rottschuld, Yale University
- Environmental “High Politics”: Pollution Modelling across the Iron Curtain
- Hank D Trim, University of British Columbia
- Sustainable Futures: Amy Lovins, Modeling, and Environmentalism

**Mending Wall: Farmers, Conservation, and Stewardship**

**Panel 1-C: Room 3015 [level three]**

**Chair:** David Glassberg, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

**Participants:**
- Mark Stoll, Texas Tech University
- The Evolution of “Stewardship” from Religious Doctrine to Environmental Principle
- Brian Donahue, Brandeis University
- “Hubandry was Once a Sacred Art”: American Farmers and Conservation
- Gilson Waldkoening, Gettyburg Seminary

**Mountain Animals and American History**

**Panel 1-D: Room 3016 [level three]**

**Chair:** Jerry Frank, University of Missouri

**Participants:**
- Luke Adler Willert, Harvard University
- Grizzly Bears and Pine Squirrels Strike Back: Rocky Mountain Exploration, Fear, and Hunger in the 1830s
- Jill Mudgett, Independent Scholar
- Catamounts and Mountain Culture in Vermont
- Daniel Vandersommers, The Ohio State University
- How to Catch Rocky Mountain Sheep: A Saga

**The State and Nature: Diplomacy and the Environment in Western Europe, the North Atlantic, and Eastern Russia**

**Panel 1-E: Room 3017 [level three]**

**Chair:** Joshua Howe, Reed College

**Participants:**
- Joseph Horan, Colorado School of Mines
- King Cotton in France and Italy: Environmental Transformation and Geopolitical Strategy in Napoleon’s Continental System
- Thomas Blake Earle, Rice University
- Fishermen and Fish in 19th Century Anglo-American Diplomacy
- Mark Sokolsky, Ohio State University
- For God, Tsar, and Salmon: Conservation and Russo-Japanese Fisheries Disputes

**Picking Cherries: Theory for Environmental Historians**

**Panel 1-F: Westend Salon A [level two]**

**Chair:** Uwe Luebken, LMU Munich, Amerikainstitut

**Participants:**
- Troy Vettee, New York University
- (Contemporary) Rethinking Natural Resources in the Seams of International Orders
- Josh Fattal, New York University
- Legal Pluralism and American Environmentalism
- Seth Peabody, Harvard University
- In Defense of Discourse: Film as a Site of Long-Term Environmental Values and Impacts

**It’s the End of the World as We Know It: Environmental Histories in/of the Anthropocene**

**Roundtable 1-G: Westend Salon B [level two]**

**Moderator:** Joseph Taylor, Simon Fraser University

**Participants:**
- Thomas Michael Lekan, University of South Carolina
- Julia Adeney Thomas, University of Notre Dame
- Timothy LeCain, Montana State University
- Sverker Sörlin, KTH Royal Institute of Technology

**Empire, Revolution, and Local Governance: Military-Environmental Convergence**

**Panel 1-H: Westend Salon C [level two]**

**Chair:** Richard Tucker, University of Michigan

**Commentator:** Lisa M. Brady, University of Michigan

**Participants:**
- Jason W. Smith, Temple University
- The Culture of Environmental Impact Statements
- Oil, Arctic Pipelines, Inuit Protests, and the Untold History of Environmental Impact Statements

**Pipelines in North America: Historical and Interdisciplinary Perspectives**

**Panel 1-I: Westend Salon D [level two]**

**Chair:** Brian Black, Pennsylvania State University-Altoona

**Participants:**
- Heather Plumridge Bedi, Dickinson College
- Of Pipelines and Protest: Contested Natural Gas Fracking and Transportation in Pennsylvania
- Mark Stoller, University of British Columbia
- The Pipeline as Platform: The Role of Pipeline Debates in the Formation of Aboriginal Law in Canada

**Protest or Policy? The Evolution of Environmental Justice in Oakland During the Black Power Era**

**Panel 1-J: Westend Salon E [level two]**

**Chair:** Michael J. Dockry, USDA Forest Service

**Participants:**
- Rebecca Summer, USDA Forest Service
- Brian McCammack, Williams College
- Black Panther Ecology: Environmental Justice and Survival in Oakland During the Black Power Era
- Tracy E. Perkins, University of California-Santa Cruz
- Protest or Policy? The Evolution of Environmental Justice Activism in California, 1980s to 2010s

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Thursday, March 19
Concurrent Session 2
10:30 - 12:00 pm

Reshaping 20th Century Agricultural Development, the Environment, and the Family in Africa
Panel 2-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Chair: Laura Ann Twagira, Wesleyan University
Commentator: Nancy Joy Jacobs, Brown University
Participants: Laura Ann Twagira, Wesleyan University
We Farmed Money: Landscape Change, Women’s Food Production, and Marketing in French West Africa, ca. 1944-1960
Sarah Hardin, Saint Anselm College
The Private Violence of Poisons: The Abuses of Cotton Pesticides in Southeastern Senegal, 1953-2013
Maurits Ertsen, Delft University of Technology
An orderly organization of village communities - “Planners’ dreams versus farmers’ realities in the Gezira Scheme, Sudan, 1915-1980

Improvement Projects and Empire in the Seventeenth-Century British Atlantic
Panel 2-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair and Commentator: Ted McCormick, Concordia University
Participants: Eric Ash, Wayne State University
Drainage, improvement, and state building in 17th-century England
Keith Plyumers, University of Southern California
Ecological Knowledge, Expertise, and Improvement
Kate Mulry, New York University
Improving Empire: Draining Wetlands and Configuring Communities on the Delaware River, 1675-1682

The Metabolism of Agro-Ecosystems: Soil Fertility and Sustainability on Historical Farms
Panel 2-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair and Commentator: Donald Worster, Renmin University and University of Kansas
Participants: Enric Tello Aragay, University of Barcelona
Manuel González de Molina, Universidad Pablo de Olavide; Roberto García Ruiz, Universidad de Jaen; Elena Galán del Castillo, University of Barcelona
The Socio-Ecological Transition of Spanish Agriculture from a Soil Fertility Point of View, 1750-2010
Olga Lucia Delgadillo, Universidad Javeriana; Stefania Gattini, Universidad Nacional de Colombia
Sugar Cane and the 20th-Century Industrialization of Agriculture in Southwestern Colombia
Geoff Cunfer, University of Saskatchewan
Soil Fertility on an Agricultural Frontier: The US Great Plains, 1870-2000
Better Than the Real Thing?: Synthetics and the Chemistry of Improving on Nature
Panel 2-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Rachel Gross, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Participants: Nadia Berenstein, University of Pennsylvania; History & Sociology of Science
Contains Natural and Artificial Flavors: The Nature of Flavor Chemistry in the postwar US
Rachel Gross, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Miracle Fibers?: The New Synthetic Tradition in the Outdoors
Maya Weinstein, IBM
Artsinai meets Industrial: the DIY High Fructose Corn Syrup Kit
Lindsey Dillon, University of California-Davis
Ecologies of Work and the Work of Ecologies: Constructing Wetlands in Postindustrial San Francisco
Marine Commons or Privatized Zones: North Atlantic Struggles over Marine Resources
Panel 2-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair and Commentator: Brian Payne, Bridgewater State University
Participants: Elizabeth Mancke, University of New Brunswick; Mark Joseph McLaughlin, Trent University
Claiming the Funks: Seabirds and the Ecology of Subsistence in 19th-Century Newfoundland
Suzanne Morton, McGill University
The Right to Fish - but not quite Everywhere: The Idea of the Commons and Territoriality in the Canadian Lobster Fishery, 1890-1939
Edward MacDonald, University of Prince Edward Island
Shell Games: The Aquatic Commons, Economic Policy, and Shellfish Aquaculture in Prince Edward Island, Canada

Science, Policy, and the Environment
Panel 2-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Chair: Matthew Benjamin Shindell, Harvard University
Commentator: Gregory A. Good, American Institute of Physics, College Park
Participants: Peder Anker, New York University
The Economic Fix: The Norwegian Approach to Climate Change
Milena Wazeck, University of East Anglia, UK
What is “severe damage” to the environment? Facts and values in acid rain assessments in Canada and the US in the 1990s
Matthew Benjamin Shindell, Harvard University
Participants: Eric Ash, Wayne State University
Programme, 1955-1970

Thursday, March 19
Concurrent Session 2
10:30 - 12:00 pm

A Total Energy Solution: The Energy Debates of the 1970s, Public Opinion, and Policy
Panel 24: Westend Salon D [level two]
Chair: Brian Black, Pennsylvania State University-Altoona
Participants: David Hecht, Bowdoin College
Spinning Three Mile Island: Nuclear Accidents and the Politics of Blame
Brian James Lecch, Augustana College
The Fastest Limit in the West: People in the American West React to the 1974 National Maximum Speed Law
Caroline Peyton, University of South Carolina
The 1970s and the Nuclear Credibility Gap
Wilko Graf von Hardenberg, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Faith, Reason, and Fear: The Italian left and the energy issue in the 1970s

The Future History of Environmental Justice
Roundtable 2-J: Westend Salon E [level two]
Moderator: Robert R Gioielli, University of Cincinnati
Participants: Connie Chiang, Bowdoin College
Agnes Kneitz, Renmin University of China
Christopher W. Wells, Macalester College
Cari Zimring, Pratt Institute

The Environment: A Useful Category of Historical Analysis? The Oxford Handbook of Environmental History
Roundtable 2-K: Thomas Room [level two]
Moderator: Andrew Isenberg, Temple University
Participants: Alison Games, Georgetown University; Alan Kraut, American University
John Tutino, Georgetown University

Pooling Beyond “Mere Puddles”: How World War II Shaped North America’s Grid
Marc Landry, Utah State University
Constructing the Grid: German Reamannent and Popular Conceptions of Electrification, 1937-1945
Paul Simms, University of London

The Right to Fish - but not Quite Everywhere: The Idea of the Commons and Territoriality in the Canadian Lobster Fishery, 1890-1939
Hugh Gorman, Michigan Technological University
Global Governance and the Effort to Reduce Toxics in the Great Lakes

Power Struggles: The Second World War, Energy, and the Environment
Panel 2-H: Westend Salon C [level two]
Chair: Donald C. Jackson, Lafayette College
Participants: Matthew Evenden, University of British Columbia
Allied Power: Canadian Rivers and Resource Mobilization, 1939-1945
Julie Cohn, Center for Public History, University of Houston

The “Hot Breath of Civilization”: Environmental Governance in the Anthropocene
Panel 2-G: Westend Salon B [level two]
Chair: Thomas Michael Lekan, University of South Carolina
Commentator: John McNeill, Dartmouth College
Participants: Ruth Morgan, Monash University
Regimes from the Anthropocene: Environmental History and Water Management in Australia
Stephen Macekura, Dartmouth College
The Persistence of Old Problems in the Anthropocene: The Origins of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
Hugh Gorman, Michigan Technological University
Global Governance and the Effort to Reduce Toxics in the Great Lakes
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Concurrent Session 3
1:30 - 3:00 pm

The Multifaceted Legacies Of Joseph Sax, 1936-2014: Pioneer Emissary of the Public Trust Doctrine

Roundtable 3-A: Georgetown [level one]
Moderator: Laura A. Watt, Sonoma State University
Participants: Zygmunt Jan Broel Plater, Boston College
Hope M. Babcock, Georgetown University Law Center
Karl Brooks, US Environmental Protection Agency
Margot Higgins, UC Berkeley
Thomas Kline, Andrews Kurth LLP, Washington, DC
Mark Madison, US Fish and Wildlife Service
Jason Robison, Assistant Professor, University of Wyoming

Environmental Histories of a Medieval Village in an Era of Change: Herstmonceux, 1200-1500 CE

Panel 3-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair: Kurk Dorsey, University of New Hampshire
Participants: Scott Alan McLean, Queen’s University
Bader International Study Centre
Inundation and Adaptation at Old Court; or, How to Survive Manorial Life on a Flood Plain
Andrew Moore, University of Waterloo
Game Laws and Deer Parks: Unintended Environmental Preservation in Late Medieval England
Timothy Newfield, Princeton University
Identifying Unsteadiness in a Calm Climate: Southern England in General, Herstmonceux in Particular; 900-1350

Remembering Transformation and Devastation: The Historical Memory of Water

Panel 3-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair and Commentator: Charlotte Julie Cabasse, UC Berkeley
Participants: Philip C. Brown, Ohio State University
Triumphalist Memories: Transformation of the Tianan Plain, Taiwan, 1920-1930
Max Liboiron, Memorial University of Newfoundland
Remembering Ocean Plastics
John Sandlos, Memorial University of Newfoundland
Toxic Legacy: History, Memory, and Environmental Remediation at a Northern Canadian Gold Mine
Peter Soppelsa, University of Oklahoma
Expecting Disaster: How Paris is Bracing for its Worst Flood since 1910

Protest & Politics in Energy Transitions: From Wood to Coal and Back

Panel 3-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Brian Donahue, Brandeis University
Participants: Josh MacFadyen, University of Saskatchewan
Pricing the Urban Woodpile: Fuel Philanthropy and Protest in Toronto and Montreal
Owen Temby, University of Texas-Pan American
Local Growth Coalitions and Smoke Policy in Montreal during the Interwar Period
Sarah Mittlefeldt, Green Mountain College
Pragmatic Activism: Wood Energy as Political Protest in the 1970s
Emily Jane Silver, University of Maine

Like a Ship Emerging from the Fog: The Evolving Concepts of Maritime Cultural Landscapes and their Impacts on Federal Maritime Management

Panel 3-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Christine Keiner, Rochester Institute of Technology
Participants: Bradley W. Barr, NOAA Maritime Heritage Program
Using Maritime Cultural Landscapes to Inform Management of Marine Protected Areas
John Odin Jensen, University of Rhode Island
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Environmental Litigation: Historians as Expert Witnesses

Roundtable 4-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Moderator: Lincoln Bramwell, USDA Forest Service Participants: Emily Greenwald, Historical Research Associates, Inc. Martin Melosi, University of Houston Michael Rowe, US Department of Justice Andrew Sorokowski, US Department of Justice

Note: reception immediately following Environmental Litigation session; sponsored by Historical Research Associates, Inc.

Anthrozoological Relations in Southeast, Inner and East Asia: Interdependencies Between People and Animals

Panel 4-B: Georgetown II [level one]

Remembering Transformation and Devastation: The Historical Memory of Industry

Panel 4-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair: Emily O’Gorman, Macquarie University

Participants: Karena Kalmbach, European University Institute Chemobyl: Coping with the Aftermath of a Nuclear Disaster Judd Kinzey, University of Wisconsin Oil and the Building Blocks of Institutional Memory in China’s West Scott Knowles, Drexel University Lessons Unlearned: The Impossibility of Learning from Slow Disaster Jody Roberts, Chemical Heritage Foundation Memory, Knowledge, and Experience: Using Oral History to Understand Place

Imagining the Colonial Landscape: Anticipatory Geographies and the Transformation of Indigenous Spaces

Panel 4-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair and Commentator: Michael Rawson, Brooklyn College and CUNY Graduate Center

Lines to Shore Tied with Sailors’ Knots: The Implementations of Maritime Cultural Landscapes Thus Far, and their Present and Future Challenges

Panel 4-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: John Cloud, NOAA Central Library
Commentator: Helen M. Rozwadowski, University of Connecticut-Avery Point

John Cloud, NOAA Central Library The Evolving Geographies of Hawaiian Maritime Cultural Landscapes

Catherine G. Marzin, NOAA, Robert J. Brock, NOAA National Marine Protected Areas Center Conservation Lessons We Can Learn from Whaling History

Writing Workshop

Roundtable 4-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Moderator: Jackie Mullen, University at Albany, SUNY Participants: Ellen Stroud, Bryn Mawr College Jim Feldman, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Dolly Jørgensen, Umeå Universitet David Stradling, University of Cincinnati Benjamin Cohen, Lafayette College Keith Woodhouse, Northwestern University

Intersection of environmental and transnational history

Panel 4-G: Westend Salon B [level two]

Mediums as Environmental History

Panel 4-I: Westend Salon D [level two]

An Appetite for Energy: Power Production, Policy, and Environment in the 20th-Century United States

Panel 4-J: Westend Salon E [level two]
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Friday, March 20
8:30 - 10:00 am

Whaling the Pacific: Borderless Resources, Stateless Labor, and Maritime Ecology

Panel 5-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Chair: Lissa Wadewitz, Linfield College
Participants: Edward Mellilo, Amherst College
Trading Harpoons for Hatchets: Maritime Deserters in the California Redwoods
Bathsheba Demuth, University of California-Berkeley
Emptying the North Pacific: 19th century conceptions of whales as a non-renewable resource
Gregory Rosenthal, State University of New York at Stony Brook
Whale Worlds: Hawaiian Labor in a Maritime Work Environment
Sophie Fitzmaurice, University of California-Berkeley
Arctic Expansion and the US Marine Economy, circa 1850-1900

Govemment Policies and Human Settlement in Changing Waterscapes

Panel 5-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair: Craig Colten, Louisiana State University
Participants: Craig Colten, Louisiana State University
Atchafalaya Floodway Displacement: A prelude to Louisiana’s coastal *crisis*
Giaccomo Marrinello, Louisiana State University
Changes in the Uruguay River Basin: impacts on the environment and displaced in the Southern Cone (Brazil and Argentina)
Eunice Sueli Nodari, Federal University of Santa Catarina
- Brazil
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Uwe Luebben, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität
Natural Disasters and Displacement: A Global History

Activism into Art, Art into Activism

Panel 5-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair: Chris Wilhelm, College of Coastal Georgia
Participants: Elizabeth (Scout) Blum, Troy University
Chris Wilhelm, College of Coastal Georgia
The Fight for Everglades National Park and Marjory Stoneman Douglas’s Alligator Crossing
Michael Commito, McMasters University
‘They’re Babies, and They’re as Good as Dead’: Imagery and Protest Against Ontario’s Spring Bear Hunt, 1995-1999
Brittany Luby, Laurentian University
The Sugar Monster Feeds on the Navajo Nation: An Analysis of the Environment in Artistic and Medical Accounts of the Dine Diabetes Crisis

Camp Lejeune: the New Face of Community Environmental Health Activism in the Digital Age

Panel 5-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Frederick (Fritz) Davis, Florida State University
Participants: Michael Sean Partain, University of Central Florida
How the digital age empowers communities in public health activities emanating from Superfund Sites: Camp Lejeune Community Assistance Panel
Richard Clapp, Boston University School of Public Health
Gaining Strength from Nature: Surviving WW II in Munich
Tom Arnold, Black Hills State University
Bunkered Landscapes: On War and Peace in the Urban Environment of Berlin in WW II
Sarah Frohardt-Lane, Ripon College
Imagined Resilience: Conservation Campaigns and Narratives of Sacrifice on the American Home-Front

Legal History and Environmental History: What Can They Learn from Each Other?

Roundtable 5-G: Westend Salon B [level two]
Moderator: David Schorr, Tel Aviv University
Participants: Richard Keyser, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Arthur F McEvoy, Southwestern Law School
Noga Morag-Levine, Michigan State University College of Law
Benjamin John Pontin, University of the West of England
Christine Rosen, University of California-Berkeley
Joel Tarr, Carnegie Mellon University

Poisoned and Pissed: Public Scandals and Environmental Regulation

Panel 5-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Susan Flader, University of Missouri
Participants: Shen Hou, Renmin University of China
“..."The Crane Cries in the Deep Marsh..." The History of the Preservation of Red-Crowned Cranes in China

Atsuyo Hisai, Hokkaido University
From Most Valued Treasure to Dazzling Target: The Decline of the Red-Crowned Crane in Japan, 1600-1945
Lisa M. Brady, Boise State University
Why Red-crowned Cranes are Thriving in the DPRK: Underdevelopment as Conservation Strategy

Resilient Cities: Towards Urban Environmental History of World War II

Panel 5-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Chair: John McNell, Georgetown University
Participants: Simo Laakonen, University of Turku, University of Söderbörn
War and Critical Networks: A Comparative Study of Urban Water Protection in the Baltic Rim
Dorothea Brantz, Center for Metropolitan Studies, Technical University of Berlin
Frozen Herring and Gilded Age Governance
Participants: Joel Tarr, Carnegie Mellon University

Grassroots History: the Culture of Poaceae Across Borders

Panel 5-J: Westend Salon E [level two]
Chair: Albert Way, Kennesaw State University
Participants: Lif Lund Jacobsen, Danish National Archives
Joy McCann, Australian National University
Michael Robinson, University of Hartford
Adrian Howkins, Colorado State University

Tourist Development at Pinehurst, NC, 1895-1930
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Histories of the 20th century Arctic and Antarctic

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Jeanna Brallier, Virginia Tech University
Bart Verniers, University of Ghent
Andrew Needham, New York University
Rachel M. Guberman, University of Pennsylvania

**Water as a Proxy for Environmental Protest**

**Panel 6-D: Room 3016 [level three]**

Chair: Donald C. Jackson, Lafayette College
Participants: John Thistle, Graduate Center City University of New York
Jessica Mapes, University of Washington
Reviving the Distant Clarion: The Ecological Degradation and Expedient Restoration of Pennsylvania’s Clarion River
Jackie Mullen, University at Albany, SUNY

**Solar Architecture in the Expanded Field**

**Panel 6-E: Room [level one]**

Chair and Commentator: Meredith Sattler, California State Polytechnic University-San Luis Obispo
Participants: Vandana Baweja, University of Florida-Gainesville
Sara Grossman, Rutgers University
City Elemental: Solar and Lunar Light in the Early American Industrial City

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**Panel 6-A: Georgetown I [level one]**

Chair: Helen M. Rozwadowski, University of Connecticut
Participants: Alexei Kraiovski, European University at St. Petersburg
Seaford for the Empress: the Governmental Projects of Oyster Breeding in the Gulf of Finland in the 18th century
Ingo Heidbrink, Old Dominion University & International Commission for Maritime History
Controlling the Oceans – The De-colonization paradox
Karen Oslund, Towson University

**Thinking about the Future in the Past: Hydralic Engineers and Visions of Environmental Transformation**

**Panel 6-B: Georgetown II [level one]**

Chair: Jennifer L. Derr, University of California-Santa Cruz
Participants: Sam Temple, University of Oklahoma
A Flood of Possibility: Making environmental futures in colonial Egypt
Allison Powers, Columbia University
From Improvement to Development: Irrigation Engineers’ Evidence of the Future in the American West, 1877-1915
Maya Karin Peterson, University of California-Santa Cruz
Doers and Seers: Engineers, the Material Past, and Visions of the Future in Central Asia’s Arid Environments, 1840s-1940s

**Taming the “Wild” Arctic: Managing Animals and People in Northern Nations**

**Panel 6-D: Westend Salon D [level two]**

Chair: John McCannon, Southern New Hampshire University
Participants: Andy Bruno, Northern Illinois University
A Tale of Two Reindeer: Pastoralism and Preservation in the Soviet Arctic
Dolly Jergensen, Umeå University, Sweden
The Shaggy Savior of Northern Norway
Tina Adcock, Simon Fraser University

**Histories for the Future: What Happens When Historians Try to Make History?**

**Panel 6-H: Westend Salon E [level two]**

Chair: Linda Ivey, California State University East Bay
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Uncovering New Ways to Assess the Progressive Conservation Movement

**The Gospel of Efficiency Revisited: Uncovering New Ways to Assess the Progressive Conservation Movement**

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**Implementing US Environmental Law, 1970 to the Present**

**Panel 6-G: Westend Salon B [level two]**

Chair: Linda Ivey, California State University East Bay
Participants: Charles Halvorson, Columbia University
Privileging Costs: Carter’s Ozone Standard and the Legacy of Regulatory Reform.
Anna Zeide, Oklahoma State University
Regulating Processed Food: The Canning Industry’s Responses to Environmental Law in the 1970s
Jordan Howell, Rowan University
Karen Michele Hoffman, University of Puerto Rico

**Instructions for Neptune: State Regulation of Marine and Oceanic Environment in History**

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Neil Fanning, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
BART versus the Redwoods: Suburban Environmentalism to Define the Public Interest and Public Lands in Postwar California
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Participants: Joseph Taylor, Simon Fraser University
Poetry vs. Prose: Why Legislative History Changes How We Understand Progressive Conservation
Matthew Pearce, University of Oklahoma

Christopher F. Jones, Arizona State University
Hotelling’s Rule and the Economic Efficiency of Oil Depletion
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NEH: Funding Opportunities for Environmental Historians

Roundtable 7-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Moderator: Deborah Hurt, National Endowment for the Humanities
Participants: Jamie Simpson Ross, James Agee Film Project; Jeff Sanders, Washington State University

Health in the Hinterland: Class, Leisure, and Environments of Urban Health Reform, 1850-1930
Panel 7-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair: Christian Steenstrup Warren, Brooklyn College, CUNY
Participants: Jason M Chernesky, University of Pennsylvania; Amusement, Health, and the Therapeutic Environments on the 19th-Century Delaware River
Meghan Crici, University of Pennsylvania
Jessica Dunkin, Queen’s University

Environmentalism’s Intersections with Contemporary Social Movements
Panel 7-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair: Stacy N. Roberts, University of California-Davis
Commentator: Kathryn Newfont, Mars Hill University
Participants: Clarence Jefferson Hall, Queensborough Community College, CUNY; Social Activism, Environmentalism, and the Construction of an Adirondack Prisonland, 1976-1999
Stacy N. Roberts, University of California-Davis
“Unadulterated Poppycock”: Environmentalism and the Women’s Movement in the American

Abby Elaine Spinak, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Power to the People?: Environmental Values and Local Democracy in Rural Electric Cooperatives
Okech Oyugi, Oberlin College
Wangari Maathai: Women, Politics, and the Challenge of Environmentalism in Kenya

Water, Politics, and Society in Mexico
Panel 7-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Sterling Evans, University of Oklahoma
Commentator: Sterling Evans, University of Oklahoma
Participants: Vivienne Bennett, California State University San Marcos
The Politics of Water: Elite corruption, water crisis, urban protest, and redemption in Monterrey, Mexico’s water sector, 1954-2000
David Reid, Rutgers University
Land and Freedom (and Water): The Colorado River Delta, Popular Protest, and the Mexican State

Collecting the Sea
Panel 7-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Alistair Sponsel, Vanderbilt University
Participants: Leah Aronowsky, Harvard University
Doing Marine Biology in a Nuclear Age: Radioactive Specimens at the Applied Fisheries Laboratory, 1946-1962
Amy Kohout, Cornell University
Pacific Crossings: Specimens between the (Battle?) Field and Museum
 Antony Adler, University of Washington
The Hybrid Shore: The Marine Station Movement and Scientific Uses of the Littoral (1843-1910)
 Alyssa Battistoni, Yale University
Glass Pasts, Genetic Futures: Fluid Legacies of Ocean Biodiversity

Contested visions of back-to-the-land and self-sufficiency in the US
Panel 7-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Chair: Valerie Padilla Carroll, Kansas State University
Participants: Valerie Padilla Carroll, Kansas State University
Selling Self-Sufficiency and Eliminating the Unwanted: The Contradictory Raced and Classed Redefinition of Back-to-the-Land during the Great Depression
Clark A. Pomerleau, University of North Texas
Back-to-the-Maine Myth: Homesteader Success in a State of Natural Wonder and Poverty
Ryan Edgington, Macalester College
“Tune into Natural Vibrations”: Towards a Sensory History of the Environmental Movement
Laurie Butler Hurson, The Graduate Center at The City University of New York
The Process of Simple Living: Cultivating Resistance

Rethinking Canada: A Fossil Fuel Nation
Panel 7-G: Westend Salon B [level two]
Chair: Christopher F. Jones, Arizona State University
Participants: Ruth Sandwell, University of Toronto
The First Modern Lighting: A Short History of Manufactured Gas and Kerosene in Canada
Andrew Watson, York University
The Problem of Coal in Canada: Finding Markets for Canadian Coal Between the Wars
Sean Kheraj, York University
A Silent River of Oil: An Environmental History of Pipeline Spills in Canada, 1959-2012

Environment, Tradition, and Activism: Native Americans and Environmental Change in Late-20th-Century America
Panel 7-H: Westend Salon C [level two]
Chair: Darren J Ranco, University of Maine
Commentator: Darren J Ranco, University of Maine
Participants: Kari Norgaard, University of Oregon
Environmental Decline and Changing Gender Practices: What Happens to Karuk Masculinity When There Are No Fish?

Gone but not forgotten: Resurrection, Retrieval, and De-extinction
Panel 7-J: Westend Salon E [level two]
Chair: Kathleen Kete, Trinity College, CT
Participants: Sandra Swart, Stellenbosch University
Zombie Zoology: History and Re-animating Extinct Animals
Nigel Rothfels, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Back from the Brink? Problems with the Introduction of a Wild Horse
Harriet Ritvo, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Growing Roots: Native Soil and Aboriginal Cattle
Saturday, March 21
Concurrent Session 2
10:30 - 12:00 pm

Engineering Environments: Building Imperial Relationships in the Mid-20th Century

Panel 8-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Chair: Jenifer Van Vleck, Yale University
Participants: Gretchen Heffner, Northeastern University
“A Tract that is Wholly Sand”: Environment, Development and the Making of a Modern Libya
Linda Nash, University of Washington
The Materials of Imperialism: Engineering Arid Landscapes in the Western US and Afghanistan
George R. Trumbull IV, Dartmouth College
Engineering the End of the Algerian Sahara: Political Problems, Technical Solutions, and the Nature of the End of Empire

Exploring Apocalyptica. Alarms and Alarmism in Environmental History

Panel 8-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair: Thomas Michael Lekan, University of South Carolina
Commentator: Astrid Mignon Kirchhof, Humboldt University
Participants: Sarah Waltenberger, Deutsches Museum, Munich
“The Sweet Death”: Rapeseed in Germany and the Fear of Artificial Nature
Patrick Kupper, ETH Zurich
The Limits to Growth or Turning Data into Disaster
Frank Uekoetter, Dartmouth College
The Sum of All German Fears: The Forest Debate of the 1960s

Addressing the Periphery, Re-Writing the Core: Social History and Environmental History Narratives

Panel 8-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair and Commentator: Andrew Kahrl, University of Virginia

Participants:
Traci Bryyne Volles, Loyola Marymount University
Nature’s Wasteland or Nature’s Wonder? Uranium Mining and Nature Tourism in Navajo Country
Chad Montrie, University of Massachusetts-Lowell
A Tale of Two Environmentalisms: Assessing “Traditional” and “Revisionist” Accounts of the Movement’s History
Collin Fisher, University of San Diego
Working Class Wilderness: Immigrant, African American, and Working Class Leisure in the Forest Preserves of Industrial Chicago

Nature and Identity in Latin America

Panel 8-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Mark Hersey, Mississippi State University
Participants: Anna Rose Alexander, Georgia Southern University
Frederico Freitas, Stanford University
Territories of Nature: the Military and National Park Displacement in Southern Brazil, 1940-1980

Observing the Invisible Sea: The History of Science and Policy in US Marine Environments

Panel 8-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Kurk Dorsey, University of New Hampshire
Participants: Penelope K. Hardy, Johns Hopkins University
“To Increase Their Sphere of Usefulness at Sea”: Matthew Fontaine Maury and Sailors as Environmental Observers
Derek Lee Nelson, University of New Hampshire
Silting at the Dock of the Bay: Mud, Science, and the Fight for San Francisco’s Waterfront, 1853-1863
Jen Martin, University of California-Santa Barbara
The State of White Shark Conservation: A California-Based Story of Marine Environmental History

Red against Green: The Confrontation between Environmentalists and Conservatives in the 1970s and 1980s

Panel 8-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Chair: Sarah Elkind, San Diego State University
Commentator: Christine Keiner, Rochester Institute of Technology
Participants: Alex Boynton, University of Kansas
Formulating an Anti-Environmental Opposition: Neoconservative Intellectuals during the Environmental Decade
Allen Dieterich-Ward, Shippensburg University
“We’re Not Going to Roll Over and Play Dead”: Grassroots Anti-Environmentalism and the Battle over the Clean Air Act
Andrew Scott Ramey, Carnegie Mellon University
Political Confrontation and Ecological Restoration: Environmentalists, Conservatives, and the Chesapeake Bay, 1981-1984

Five Centuries of Climate Change, Eh: Towards a Climate History of Canada

Panel 8-G: Westend Salon B [level two]
Chair: Graeme Wynn, University of British Columbia
Participants: Dagomar Degroot, University of Western Ontario
Knowing the Canadian Arctic in the Little Ice Age, 1560-1630
Collin Coates, York University
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Coral Reefs as Objects of Scientific Study, from Threatening to Threatened
Kristoffer Whitney, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Endangered Lives and Livelihoods: The Ramifying Logic of Endangerment in US Public Policy

Participants: Traci Bryyne Volles, Loyola Marymount University
Nature’s Wasteland or Nature’s Wonder? Uranium Mining and Nature Tourism in Navajo Country
Chad Montrie, University of Massachusetts-Lowell
A Tale of Two Environmentalisms: Assessing “Traditional” and “Revisionist” Accounts of the Movement’s History
Collin Fisher, University of San Diego
Working Class Wilderness: Immigrant, African American, and Working Class Leisure in the Forest Preserves of Industrial Chicago

Nature and Identity in Latin America

Panel 8-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Mark Hersey, Mississippi State University
Participants: Anna Rose Alexander, Georgia Southern University
Frederico Freitas, Stanford University
Territories of Nature: the Military and National Park Displacement in Southern Brazil, 1940-1980

Observing the Invisible Sea: The History of Science and Policy in US Marine Environments

Panel 8-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Kurk Dorsey, University of New Hampshire
Participants: Penelope K. Hardy, Johns Hopkins University
“To Increase Their Sphere of Usefulness at Sea”: Matthew Fontaine Maury and Sailors as Environmental Observers
Derek Lee Nelson, University of New Hampshire
Silting at the Dock of the Bay: Mud, Science, and the Fight for San Francisco’s Waterfront, 1853-1863
Jen Martin, University of California-Santa Barbara
The State of White Shark Conservation: A California-Based Story of Marine Environmental History

Red against Green: The Confrontation between Environmentalists and Conservatives in the 1970s and 1980s

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Chair: Sarah Elkind, San Diego State University
Commentator: Christine Keiner, Rochester Institute of Technology
Participants: Alex Boynton, University of Kansas
Formulating an Anti-Environmental Opposition: Neoconservative Intellectuals during the Environmental Decade
Allen Dieterich-Ward, Shippensburg University
“We’re Not Going to Roll Over and Play Dead”: Grassroots Anti-Environmentalism and the Battle over the Clean Air Act
Andrew Scott Ramey, Carnegie Mellon University
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Environmental History and Sustainability
Studies Education

Roundtable 9-A: Georgetown I [level one]
Moderator: Paul Hirt, Arizona State University
Participants: Vandana Baweja, University of Florida-Gainesville
Claire Campbell, Bucknell University
Jim Feldman, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
Teresa Sabol Speizio, Huntington Library

Governing Water, Governing the South:
Federal Water Policy and Visions of Development since 1920

Panel 9-B: Georgetown II [level one]
Chair: Peter Daniel, retired
Commentator: Peter Daniel, retired
Participants: William Thomas Okie, Kennesaw State University
Doctor Mead has Dreamed a Dream: Reclamation in the 20th-Century South
Karen Senaga, Mississippi State University
From Conservation Boon to Ecological Blight? Environmental Policy and the Rise of the Farm-Raised Catfish Industry
Joshua Nygren, University of Kansas
The “Greater Good” from the “Lesser Evil”: Soil and Water Conservation and the Politics of Pork in 20th-Century Mississippi

Listening to Nature: The Sounds of Conservation

Panel 9-C: Room 3015 [level three]
Chair: Jeremy Vetter, University of Arizona
Participants: Aaron Allen, University of North Carolina-Greensboro
Historical Soundscapes, Ecological Imaginations, and Italian Opera
Alexandra Hui, Mississippi State University
Hunting with the Mic and Saving with the Antenna: The Sounds of Conservation in Interwar America
Ann Warde, Cornell University
Enigmatic Findings: Discovering Large Cetacean Vocalizations

Feeding Me With Science: Nutrition, Nature, and Technology on the Table

Panel 9-D: Room 3016 [level three]
Chair: Benjamin Cohen, Lafayette College
Commentator: Kendra Smith-Howard, University at Albany (SUNY)
Participants: Helen Zoe Veit, Michigan State University
Little Omnivores: Children’s Food in the 19th Century
Raechel Lutz, Rutgers University
Still Life with Vitamins: Mural and Meaning at the 1939 New York World’s Fair
Christian Steenstrup Warren, Brooklyn College, CUNY
Codfish, Cows, and Chemicals: An Un-natural History of Vitamin D Fortification in the United States

Nature in Numbers: Histories of Data in the Geosciences

Panel 9-E: Room 3017 [level three]
Chair: Kristine Harper, Florida State University
Commentator: Mark Carey, University of Oregon
Participants: Philipp Nicolas Lehmann, Max Planck Institute for History of Science
Winning a Battle, Losing the War? The Rise of Climatology and the Dilemma of Data Diversity, 1870-1910
Axel Volmar, McGill University
Auditory Data Analysis: Knowledge Making, the Senses, and the Formation of Scientific Sonification
Gabriel Henderson, Aarhus University
“Setting the Record Straight” in 1980: Sherwood Idso, Climate Modeling, and an Early Dispute Over the Climatic Response to a Doubling of Carbon Dioxide

Diversity and Environmental History:
Reflections on Scholarship, Scholars, and Building Community

Roundtable 9-F: Westend Salon A [level two]
Moderator: Michael J. Dockry, USDA Forest Service
Participants: Alan Mikhail, USDA Forest Service
William Tsutsui, Hendrix College
Kyle Powys Whyte, Michigan State University
Sara Fingal, Michigan State University

Policy in Canada, Denmark, and the United States Since the 1970s

Panel 9-G: Westend Salon B [level two]
Chair: Jay Hakes, former Director, Carter Presidential Library
Commentator: Tammy Nemeth, Independent
Participants: Tammy Nemeth, Independent
Protesting the Canadian Oil Sands: Policy Success Now or for the Future?
Mogens Rudiger, Aalborg University, Denmark
Robert Lifset, University of Oklahoma
The Impact of Environmentalism on US Energy Policy Since the 1970s

The World’s Wetlands

Panel 9-H: Westend Salon C [level two]
Chair: Karl Appuhn, New York University
Participants: Faisal Husain, Georgetown University
Wetland Habitation in Iraq’s Alluvial Plain
Gábor Ágoston, Georgetown University
Climate, Warfare and the Wetlands of the Carpathian Basin, 1500-1800
Yan Gao, University of Memphis
Cultured Marshes: Perceptions, Possession and Conflicts over the Wetlands in Late Imperial and Modern China-The Jianghan Plain as a Case Study
James C. McCann, Boston University
Historical Ecologies of African Watersheds: Climate Change in The Blue Nile and the Zambezi

Roundtable 9-I: Westend Salon D [level two]
Moderator: Elizabeth (Scout) Blum, Troy University
Participants: Kim Little, University of Central Arkansas
Marshall L. Hayes, Cornell University
Jeffrey Hyson, Saint Joseph’s University
Endangered Species

Panel 9-J: Westend Salon E [level two]
Chair: Andrew Isenberg, Temple University
Participants: Noah Cincinnati, Northern Virginia Community College
Too Sullen for Survival: Gorillas and Humans Encountering Extinction, 1990-2013
Michael Joseph Chiarappa, Quinipiac University
Diversification, Dredging, and Dollars: The Awakening of Oyster Ecology on the Delaware Estuary
Donald Edward Davis, Independent Scholar
The American Chestnut: An Environmental History
Kelly Enright, Flagler College
Remembering Nature: Memorials and Monuments to Extinct Species

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History of Sustainability above and beyond the Brundtland Report

Panel 10-A: Georgetown I [level one]

Chair and Commentator: Teresa Sabol Spezie, Huntington Library
Participants: Michael Egan, McMaster University
The History of the Future: Narratives of Hope and Despair
Iris Borowy, RWTH Aachen University
Sustainable Development and Health / Sustainable Development as Health: from the Brundtland Commission to SDGs and Buen Vivir
Jeremy Cardonna, University of Alberta
Sustainability: A New Historiography

Panel 10-B: Georgetown II [level one]

Chair: Albert Way, Kennesaw State University
Commentator: Steven Reich, James Madison University
Participants: Owen James Hyman, Mississippi State University
Measurements of Productivity: Machines, Manpower, and Race in the Southern Forests
Meredith May, Texas Christian University
Re-Imagining Company Towns: The Evolution of Diboll, Texas, 1945-1962
David Benac, Western Michigan University
Finding Meaning and Debating Value in Historical Landscapes: Wendling and Knizuva

Humans and Other Animals: Greyhounds, Clostidium tetani in Horses, and Burros

Panel 10-C: Room 3015 [level three]

Chair: Ann Norton Greene, University of Pennsylvania
Participants: Edmund Russell, University of Kansas
Evolutionary Fine Tuning: Adapting Greyhounds to Hunting, Gambling, and Private Coursing
Joanna Elizabeth Dean, Carleton University
Entangled Bodies: Horses, Humans and Clostridium tetani
Abraham Gibson, Philadelphia Area Center for the History of Science
Feral Burros in the American West: The Environmental Legacy of 19th-Century Mining Booms

Local, Global, Organic: Three Stories about Managing Food

Panel 10-D: Room 3016 [level three]

Chair: Michelle Mart, Pennsylvania State University-Berks
Commentator: Steven Stoll, Fordham University
Participants: Chad Ludington, North Carolina State University
To Terror or not To Terror: A Global History of Cheddar Cheese
Michelle Mart, Pennsylvania State University-Berks
Shifting Values, Changing Laws: The Embrace of Organic Foods in the United States
Matthew Booker, North Carolina State University
Oyster Panics: Placing Responsibility for Food Safety in the 20th Century

Computing and the Environment

Panel 10-E: Room 3017 [level three]

Chair: John Soluri, Carnegie Mellon University
Participants: Tom Özdén-Schilling, MIT
The Forest in the Model, the Model in the World: Theorizing Succession in Northwest British Colombia
Joy Rankin, Yale University
Embracing the Environment and Technology: Student Activism at the University of Illinois c.1970
Rebecca Stalyn, Stanford University
Efficient, Secure, Green: Digital Utopianism and the Challenge of a "Smart" Grid
Nathan Ensmenger, Indiana University
Bitcoin "Mining" and the Materiality of Digital Goods

Conversations at the Intersection of Conservation Biology and Environmental History

Panel 10-F: Westend Salon A [level two]

Moderator: Dolly Jørgensen, Umeå University, Sweden
Participants: Laura Martin, Cornell University
Zoe Nyssa, University of Chicago/Harvard University
Helen M. Rozwadowski, University of Connecticut-Avery Point
Kate Christen, Smithsonian Institution

Uncertainty in Lay/Expert Discussions of Environmental Issues

Panel 10-G: Westend Salon B [level two]

Chair: Emily Pawley, Dickinson College
Participants: Deborah Rachel Coen, Barnard College, Columbia University
Framing Environmental Uncertainty for a Multinational 19th-Century Public
Erik M. Conway, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology
Communicating Climate Science to a Suspicious Public: How Best to Explain What we Know?
Convery Bolton Valenciais, University of Massachusetts Boston
Fracking and Earthquake Uncertainty in Mid-America
Stuart Firestein, Columbia University
Communicating Scientific Uncertainty to a Public Audience

Controlling Water: Urban Development and Environmental Transformation

Panel 10-H: Westend Salon C [level two]

Chair: Courtney Fullilove, Wesleyan University
Participants: Joanna Dyl, Franklin & Marshall College
Transforming Marina Cove: Environmental Legacies of San Francisco’s Panama Pacific International Exposition
JeffreY Egan, University of Connecticut, Watershed Decisions: Rural Protest, Urban Planning, and the creation of the Quabbin Reservoir in Western Massachusetts, 1919-1937
Al Wang, Washington State University
The Hai River Conservancy and the Growth of Tianjin, 1927-1937

Jobs for Environmental Historians: From Tenure-track to Alt-Ac

Panel 10-I: Westend Salon D [level two]

Moderator: Bathsheba Demuth, University of California-Berkeley
Participants: Bartow Jerome Elmore, University of Alabama
Joshua Howe, Reed College
Laura Kolar, US Department of State
Cody Ferguson, Our Lady of the Lake University

The Internationalization of Nature Protection in North America

Panel 10-J: Westend Salon E [level two]

Chair and Commentator: Robert Sutton, US National Park Service
Participants: Alan MacEanch, University of Western Ontario
Canada’s Best Idea? The Canadian and American National Park Systems in the 1910s
Lary Dilsaver, University of South Alabama
Transnational Policy-Making: American and Canadian Cooperation in National Park Management 1918-1942
Terence Young, California State Polytechnic University - Pomona
An Outstanding Feature of Our Relations: The Melding of Canadian and US Park Management after World War II
Neel G. Baumgardner, University of Texas-San Antonio
Finding Common Ground: Creating an International Park in the Borderlands of the United States and Mexico

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