

EXPLAINING THE ANTHROPOCENE (TO EACH OTHER): A CONVERSATION ACROSS THE DISCIPLINES

APRIL 22, MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY

Samuel Hays McGill Commons Club, 107&108

PROGRAM

8.30 - coffee/breakfast

9 - 9.30 Keynote by Brian Black, Penn State University (introduced by Dean Womack of the Wayne McMurray Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences)

9.30-9.50 Jennifer Adams, Brooklyn College/Graduate Center “Educating for the Anthropocene”

9.50-10.10 Jennifer Newell, American Museum of Natural History “Exhibiting the Anthropocene”

10.10-10.30 Lawrence Winters, Fairleigh Dickinson University “Is the idea of the Anthropocene a valid scientific category? Or is it merely a rhetorical/narrative meme? A narrative evolutionary conceptual exploration”

10.30-10.50 Questions/Discussion

10.50-11 coffee break

11-11.20 JC Salyer, Barnard College “Fossil Fuel Capitalism and the Anthropocene”

11.20-11.30 Crystal Fortwangler, Chatham University “Living with non-human animals in the Anthropocene”

11.30-11.50 Stephanie Rupp, Lehman College, CUNY “Sustainable Energy, Sustainable Societies, Sustainable Selves”

11.50-12.10 Questions/ Discussion

12.10-1.30 lunch

1.30-1.50 Ted Howell, Temple University/Rowan University “Cli-fi: The Literature of the Anthropocene”

1.50-2.10 Aaron Rosenberg, Cornell University “The Anthropocene In/As Literature”

2.10-2.30 Anita Bakshi, Rutgers University “Creating a Space for the Science that has no Mourning Rituals: Commemorating Habitat and Species loss”

2.30-2.50 Questions/Discussion

2.50-3 coffee/tea

3-3.20 Genese Sodikoff, Rutgers University “Offset Life: Green Mining and Biodiversity Futures in Madagascar”

3.20-3.40 Marc Boglioli, Drew University “Mineral Primacy and Its Discontents: Neoliberalism and Environmental Uncertainty in the Wyoming Gas Fields”

3.40-3.50 Questions/Discussion

4-4.20 James Gibbs, The Smithsonian Environmental Research Center “Archaeological Considerations in the Study of the Anthropocene

4.20 -4.40 Richard Veit, Monmouth University “Flying the Yellow Flag of Quarantine! Results of a Preliminary Archaeological Survey at the Philadelphia, Lazaretto”

4.40-5.00 Questions /wrap-up discussion

And although it's not part of our event, from 6 to 7.30 the Monmouth School of Humanities and Social Sciences Distinguished Speakers Series is hosting a talk by Colin Beavan, a.k.a. No Impact Man, which is open to the community and the public, so all of you are encouraged to stay and attend if it is of interest.