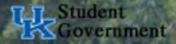
# THE EIGHTH ANNUAL DIMENSIONS OF POLITICAL ECOLOGY CONFERENCE

# DOPE 8

# Thursday, February 22 - Saturday, February 24, 2018



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# Welcome to DOPE

An interdisciplinary collective of University of Kentucky graduate students known as the Political Ecology Working Group has organized the Dimensions of Political Ecology Conference since 2011. The success of this annual summit – known widely as DOPE – has always relied on generous sponsors and keen participants. The organizers of the 2018 conference welcome y'all to DOPE 8 and thank you in advance for your contributions!

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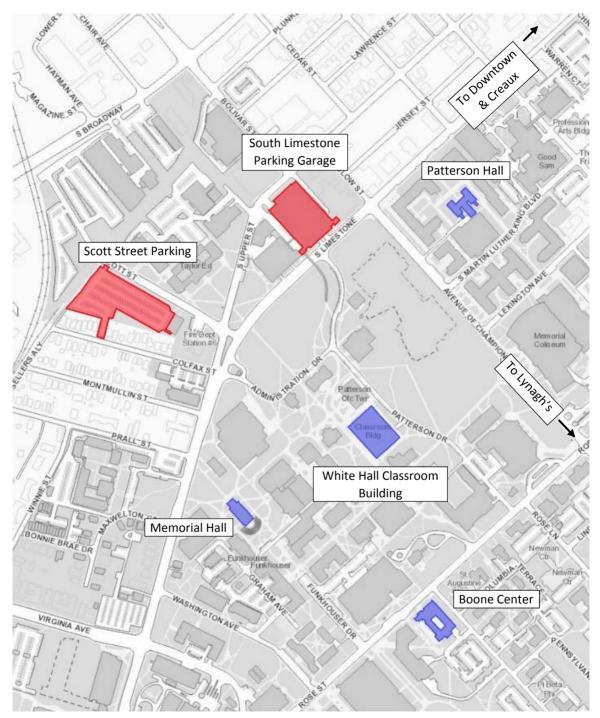
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## **Conference Locations**

#### Creaux

## 310 W. Short Street

<u>Preconference Social</u>: An informal gathering, great for meeting conference organizers and other participants over drinks. Creaux is an independent, minority-owned, New Orleans-inspired cocktail bar in downtown Lexington. See you Thursday evening, 7:00pm – 10:00pm.

## **Patterson Hall**

## 342 S. Limestone

<u>Registration Desk</u> (Room 118): Conference check-in begins Friday at 7:30am, so come grab your nametag and say hello! The Registration Desk will remain staffed by friendly DOPE 8 volunteers happy to answer your questions all day Friday and Saturday.

<u>Breakfast and Coffee</u> (Room 118): Complimentary breakfast buffet will be served Friday and Saturday morning. Coffee will be provided all day Friday and Saturday.

<u>Conference Sessions</u> (Rooms Vary): Individual sessions will take place on all three floors of Patterson Hall. Volunteers at the Registration Desk can direct you to room locations.

<u>Seating and Quiet Areas</u>: There are various seating areas and study rooms spread throughout the building. Room 228 will be reserved as a Quiet Room Please feel free to make use of these spaces as you need them.

Mother's Room (Room 206): This room will be reserved for lactating and nursing mothers.

## White Hall Classroom Building

<u>Welcome Address</u> (Room 106): Dr. Carolyn Finney will give this year's welcoming plenary address kicking off Friday at 1:45 pm.

<u>Plenary Panel</u> (Room 118): Our second plenary event, featuring Drs. Flora Lu, Ingrid Nelson, Sharlene Mollett, and Allison Harnish, will begin Friday at 5:30pm.

## **Hilary J. Boone Center**

<u>Opening Reception</u>: Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served at this catered reception. A cash bar featuring local beer and bourbon will also be available. The reception will run Friday from 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm.

## **Memorial Hall**

<u>Keynote Address</u>: Dr. Farhana Sultana will present the DOPE 8 Keynote Address, *"Fluid citizens: Embodiments and intersectionalities in constructing urban citizenship through water,"* Saturday at 5:30pm.

## Lynagh's Irish Pub

<u>After Party</u>: Join the organizers and other participants for a post-conference celebration. A UK tradition and newly woman-owned, Lynagh's is a no-frills pub offering 100+ beers, mixed drinks, burgers, and bar eats. Festivities will being Saturday, following the Keynote Address at 7:00pm.

## **Gender Inclusive Bathrooms**

<u>Gender-Inclusive Bathrooms</u> A list of inclusive restrooms on the University of Kentucky Campus can be found here: <u>http://www.uky.edu/lgbtq/inclusive-restrooms</u>.

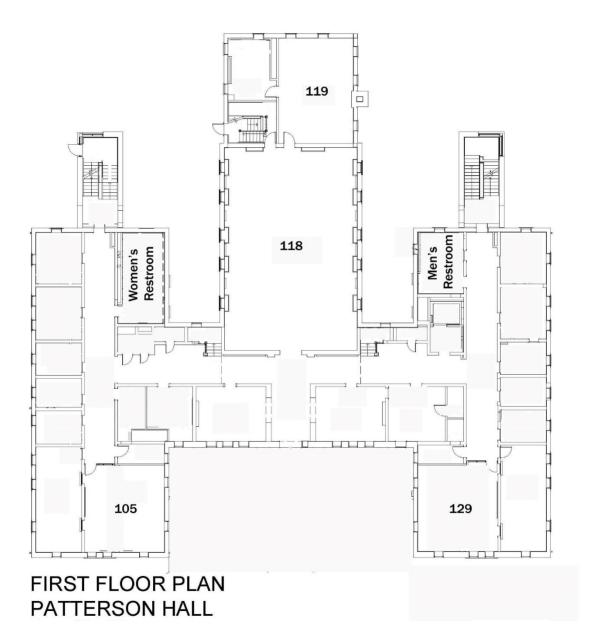
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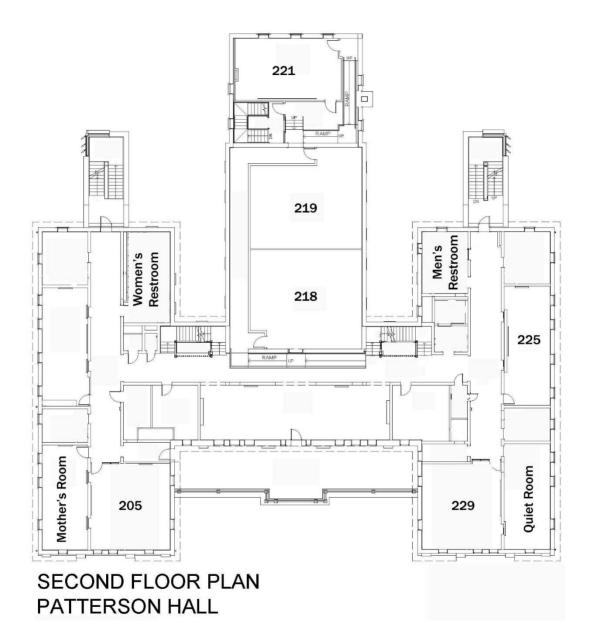
384 Woodland Avenue

500 Rose Street

## Various Locations

#### 140 Patterson Drive





# Parking and Transportation

## **Downtown Parking**

Attending the Preconference Social or other downtown venues? Several parking decks and off-street parking are available in downtown Lexington. Check out <u>www.parkme.com</u> for real time parking availability and pricing.

## South Limestone Garage (PS #5)

409 S. Limestone

Visitor pay parking is \$2/hr (\$16 per exit maximum). Normally open Monday – Friday 5:30 am – 6:00pm.

## **Scott Street Parking**

301 Scott Street

Visitor Parking free all-day Saturday.

#### **Street Parking**

Public pay parking is \$1/hour. Free on weekdays after 5:00pm and all day on weekends (see <u>www.lexpark.org</u> for details and parking maps).

## **Public Transportation**

LexTran: Lexington's public bus system services downtown, campus, and the surrounding urban area (see <u>www.lextran.com</u> for details and route maps).

## **Taxi Services**

Bluegrass Cab: (859) 231-8888

Yellow Cab: (859) 231-8294

## Rideshare

<u>Lyft</u> and <u>Uber</u> are both available.

## **Campus Resources**

#### **Internet Access**

<u>UK-Guest</u>: After connecting to the network, open your web browser and you will be able to log-on as a guest user.

## **Little Fine Arts Library**

## 160 Patterson Drive

One of the University of Kentucky's smaller campus libraries. Quiet places to sit, limited hours Saturday.

#### W. T. Young Library

## 401 Hilltop Avenue

The University of Kentucky's main campus library location with ample seating available on each of the library's five floors.

#### **Printing Services**

<u>Ricoh Document Service Center</u>: White Hall Classroom Building Room CB-29 (Basement). Phone: (859) 257-1813. Open Mon-Fri 8:00am–5:00pm.

<u>Johnny Print</u>: 561 S. Limestone. Open Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 5:30 pm, Saturday 10:00 am – 12:30 pm.

<u>FedEx Office</u>: 333 E. Main Street, Suite 130. Open Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 9:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 am – 6:00 pm.

## Coffee

Coffea: 385 Rose Street (Open Daily)

<u>Common Grounds Coffee House</u>: 394 South Martin Luther King Boulevard (Closed Saturday)

<u>Common Grounds Coffee House (Off-Campus)</u>: 343 E High Street (Open Daily)

Einstein Bros. Bagels: 505 Rose Street (Closed Saturday)

<u>Great Bagel (Off-Campus)</u>: 396 Woodland Avenue (Open daily)

Starbucks: 220 Avenue of Champions. Located inside of Bowman's Den. (Open daily)

<u>Willy T Starbucks</u>: 401 Hilltop Avenue. Located on the first floor of the W. T. Young Library. (Open daily)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>

Schedule Overview

Room No.	105	119	129	205	218
<b>Block 1</b> 8:30-10:10			The Political Ecology of Agricultural Innovation I	Undergraduate Symposium I	From Communities of Practice to Communities of Praxis I
<b>Block 2</b> 10:30-12:10	Rethinking Approaches to Empowerment in Development I	Writing Effective Proposals for the NSF	The Political Ecology of Agricultural Innovation II	Undergraduate Symposium II	From Communities of Practice to Communities of Praxis II
<b>Lunch</b> 12:10-1:45			LUNCH (ON YOUR OW	N)	
<b>Welcome</b> 1:45-2:45		White F	WELCOME ADDRESS Dr. Carolyn Finney Hall Classroom Building		
<b>Block 3</b> 3:20-5:00	Rethinking Approaches to Empowerment in Development II		Barriers and Incentives for Organic and Sustainable practices in KY Agriculture	Racing Nature, De-naturing Race: Terrains of Power and Production	
Plenary Panel 5:30-7:00	Dr. Allis		PLENARY PANEL Flora Lu, Dr. Sharlene e Hall Classroom Build	-	elson
<b>Reception</b> 7:00-11:00		University of K	OPENING RECEPTION		

#### Schedule Overview

# FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>

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<b>Block 1</b> 8:30-10:10	Contested and Uncertain Temporalities of Resource Extraction I		Gender Mainstreaming and its Alternatives in Environmental Conservation and Rural Dev.	Seeing the Forest by Its Trees I	General Session: Governance and Environmental Justice
<b>Block 2</b> 10:30- 12:10	Contested and Uncertain Temporalities of Resource Extraction II		International Association for Environmental Philosophy Panel	Seeing the Forest by Its Trees II	Animal Studies and Multispecies Precarity
<b>Lunch</b> 12:10-1:45		LU	INCH (ON YOUR OWI	N)	
<b>Welcome</b> 1:45-2:45			WELCOME ADDRESS Dr. Carolyn Finney I Classroom Building		
<b>Block 3</b> 3:20-5:00		Poster Session	Towards a Political Ecology of Superfoods	Political Ecologies of Landscape and Subject Formation	Confronting Extraction: Resistance to the Extractive Industries in the Neoliberal Era
Plenary			PLENARY PANEL		
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# SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>

Schedule Overview

Room No.	105	119	129	205	218
<b>Block 4</b> 9:00-10:40	'Green- washing' Settler Colonialism I	Crossing Fields & Sparking Interest with Art:Sci	Beyond Big Tobacco: Evolving Sustainable Livelihoods and Communities after Tobacco	General Session: Urban Political Ecology	Women & Gender Equity in Agriculture I
<b>Lunch</b> 10:40-12:30		LUN		N)	
<b>Block 5</b> 12:30-2:10	'Green- washing' Settler Colonialism II	Scholar Activist Panel: Art and Political Ecology	Unsettling Political Ecology: Dialogues on the Legacies of Trauma	Political Ecologies of Urban Resilience to Extreme Weather Events	Women & Gender Equity in Agriculture II
<b>Block 6</b> 2:30-4:10	Legal and Extralegal Dispossession: Extracting Value and Exploiting Difference across Uneven Spaces	"The Gold Fish Casino" film screening & discussion	Opiates and Human Systems: From Medicinal Plant Compound to Disease Epidemic	Urban Ecologies and the Commons	Women & Gender Equity in Agriculture: A Dialogue on Agrarian Feminism
Keynote		к	EYNOTE ADDRESS		
5:30-7:00		D	r. Farhana Sultana Memorial Hall		
<b>After Party</b> 7:00-late			ERENCE AFTER PAI		
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# SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>

Room No.	219	221	225	229
<b>Block 4</b> 9:00-10:40	Subversive Mobilities: Infrastructures, Boundary Objects, and Everyday Ecologies of Breaking Borders I	Political Ecology 101	General Session: Animals, Resources, and Conservation	Getting Practical: Making Change with Critical Physical Geography
<b>Lunch</b> 10:40-12:30		LUNCH (ON Y	YOUR OWN)	
<b>Block 5</b> 12:30-2:10	Subversive Mobilities: Infrastructures, Boundary Objects, and Everyday Ecologies of Breaking Borders II			Louisville as a Living Lab: Thinking Ecologically and Politically about our Urban World
<b>Block 6</b> 2:30-4:10	Political Ecologies of Environmental Engineering	"Ecology in Concrete" film screening and discussion	General Session: Food, Community, and Farming	Managing Bodies in East Africa: How Conservation Areas Condition Subjectivities
Keynote		KEYNOTE	ADDRESS	
5:30-7:00		Dr. Farhar Memor		
After Party 8:00-late		CONFERENCE		
		Lynagh's Irish Pub, 3	384 Woodland Ave.	

# Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### **Field Trips**

All Day

Our 2018 DOPE field trips include a Mined Lands Tour to the Robinson Forest and Little Elk Mine; a Bourbon tour to Buffalo Trace; and an Aquaponics Tour to Bluegrass Aquaponics.

#### Preconference Social at Creaux

7:00pm - 10:00pm

An informal gathering, great for meeting the conference organizers and other participants over drinks. Creaux is an independent, minority-owned, New Orleans-inspired cocktail bar in downtown Lexington.

Creaux 310 W Short Street

# Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Registration Desk Opens**

7:30am

Check in, grab your nametag, and say hello. A friendly volunteer will be available all day to answer questions and welcome you to DOPE 2018.

Patterson Hall

Room 118

## **Breakfast Buffet**

7:30am – 10:00am

A complimentary breakfast buffet is provided for all conference participants, including hot coffee and assorted teas.

Patterson Hall Room 118

8:30am – 10:10am

1. The Political Ecology of Agricultural Innovation

Room 129	
Organizer:	Marcus Taylor (Queen's University)
Chair:	Sarah Rotz (University of Guelph)
Discussant:	Glenn Davis Stone (Washington University)

Jacqueline Ignatova (Appalachian State University) Experts and entrepreneurs: From farming as a way of life to farming as a business

Marcus Taylor (Queen's University) Hybrid Realities: The Fractures of Rice Intensification in South India

**Remy Bargout** (International Development Research Centre) Structural and Relational Vulnerability: The Political Ecology of New Rice for Africa

8:30am – 10:10am

#### 2. Undergraduate Symposium I

Room 205

Organizers: Rachel Grap (University of Kentucky)

Sophonie Bazile (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Alice Melendez (Independent/Action Researcher)

#### Julianna Dantzer (University of Kentucky)

Encouraging Community Participation in Pipeline Decisionmaking: Lessons Learned from Pipeline Resistance Movements in Kentucky

**Connor Peach, Erika Lopez-Durel**, and **James Bratton** (University of the South: Sewanee) *The Cleanest Line: A Recreation Ecology Study of Rock-Climbing in Southern Appalachia* 

Matt Schneider (The Ohio State University) Elephant Sovereignty? Transboundary Governance in the Okavango-Zambezi Basin

John Schengber (James Madison University) Tangier's Neolithic Revolution: lifestyle dependency and change amidst Bay regulations and sinking islands

8:30am – 10:10am

3. From communities of practice to communities of praxis: Public political ecology, environmental justice, and critical engagement in an era of regressive environmental politics

Room 218	
Organizers:	Joel Correia (University of Arizona)
	Tracey Osborne (University of Arizona)

*Chairs:* Joel Correia and Tracey Osborne (University of Arizona)

#### Yonit Yogev (Independent researcher)

Diversity, equity and inclusion in the National Park Service: Narratives, counter-narratives and the importance of moving beyond

#### Gabe Schwartzman (Instituto Socioambiental)

*Community Definition of Economic and Ecologic Relations in the Extractive Reserves of the Terra do Meio: Community of Praxis* 

**Daniel Suarez** (University of California, Berkeley) Unmainstreaming Natural Capital in the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

**Lee Frankel-Goldwater** (University of Colorado, Boulder) Bringing Together Political Ecology and the Learning Sciences, An Approach to Engaged Scholarship and Emancipatory Praxis

**Innisfree McKinnon** (University of Wisconsin-Stout) *Practicing Public Political Ecology in the Rural Midwest* 

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8:30am – 10:10am

4. Contested and Uncertain Temporalities of Resource Extraction

Room 219Organizers:Ashley Fent (UCLA)Erik Kojola (University of Minnesota)

Chair: Ashley Fent (UCLA)

**Kate Farley** (Washington University in St. Louis) *Mining History: Appalachian Nostalgia and Imagining a Post-Coal Future* 

Julie Santella (University of Minnesota)

*"I'm here to remind you of your history": The role of the prior in the politics of resource extraction in the Black Hills* 

**Michael Simpson** (University of British Columbia) *"The Hour of Development": Temporalities of Extraction in the Alberta Tar Sands* 

**Erik Kojola** (University of Minnesota) Contested Metals: Science, Politics and Values in Decision-Making About Copper Mining

**Kelly Kay** (UCLA) "The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth, But Not It's Mineral Rights:" Risk, Extractive Materialities, and Subsurface Property in LA

8:30am – 10:10am

5. Gender Mainstreaming and its Alternatives in Environmental Conservation and Rural Development

Room 225Organizers:Brittany Cook (University of Kentucky)Manon Lefèvre (University of Kentucky)

Chair: Brittany Cook (University of Kentucky)

Brittany Cook (University of Kentucky)

Beyond the check box: Women's strategies for organizing and producing rural goods

**Manon Lefèvre** (University of Kentucky) Gender and Blue Forests: Tracing colonial legacies of ethnic identity, climate change and mangrove conservation in Madagascar

Julie Gorecki (University of California Berkeley) The Capitalist Patriarchy and the Climate Crisis: Can Real Climate Justice Be Had without Gender Justice?

Saachi Kuwayama (University of Michigan) Gender, Violence, and Natural Disaster: The Case of Kashmir

8:30am – 10:10am

6. Seeing the Forest by Its Trees: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Appalachian Forests

Room 229Organizer:Jasper Waugh-Quasebarth (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Jasper Waugh-Quasebarth (University of Kentucky)

Discussant: Kathryn Newfont (University of Kentucky)

Kenton Sena (University of Kentucky)

Stewarding Appalachia's Forests: Challenges and threats, both former and future

**Thomas Maigret** (University of Kentucky) *Persistent geophysical effects of mining threaten ridgetop biota of Appalachian forests* 

**Chris Barton** (University of Kentucky) *Ecological Restoration on Cheat Mountain in the Monongahela National Forest, WV* 

Jasper Waugh-Quasebarth (University of Kentucky) Locating Musical Tonewood in Extractive Timber Economies of Appalachian Forests

8:30am – 10:10am

7. General Session: Governance and Environmental Justice

Room 305

Organizer: Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Karen Kinslow (University of Kentucky)

**Eloise Reid** (University of Michigan) The Political Ecology of Climate Displacement Assessing the absence of transformative adaptation to climate change & displacement

**Marlotte de Jong** (University of Michigan) When the well's dry, we know the worth of water: The implications of constructing water scarcity in Flint, Michigan

**Aron Massey** (West Virginia University) Almost Level, West Virginia: An Extended Case Methodolgy of Political Ecologies of Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining

**Shannon Bell** (Virginia Tech) Sustainability without Environmental Justice? Unintended Consequences and the Pursuit of a Post-Carbon World

Laura German (University of Georgia) Justice as Process: Land Governance in the Neoliberal Era

10:30am – 12:10pm

8. Rethinking Approaches to Empowerment in Development

Room 105

*Organizers:* Kaitlyn Spangler (Virginia Tech) Daniel Sumner (Virginia Tech)

*Chair:* Daniel Sumner (Virginia Tech)

#### Daniel Sumner (Virginia Tech)

Indicators, Indices, & Frameworks: A Critical Assessment of Women's Empowerment and Gender Mainstreaming in Global Development

#### Deepti Chatti (Yale University)

Changing Heart(h)s and Minds: A critical look at gender empowerment through 'clean' cooking energy access

#### Isaac Rivera (University of Colorado Denver)

Cookstoves, Empowerment, and the Economic subject: Who has Climate Responsibility?

#### Putu Apriliani (Virginia Tech)

*Women Empowerment and The Microfinance Dilemma in Bali: What Does Control Over Credit Entail?* 

10:30am – 12:10pm

## 9. Writing Effective Proposals for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Room 119

Antoinette WinklerPrins (National Science Foundation)

This outreach session is intended for graduate students and faculty members who engage in geographic, anthropological, or other social science research and who wish to learn how to prepare effective proposals for NSF. A Program Director from the Geography and Spatial Sciences (GSS) Program at the National Science Foundation (NSF) will discuss research grant opportunities at NSF, and will highlight ways to improve the quality and competitiveness of a proposal. She will also discuss the review process, including the intellectual merit and broader impacts review criteria. Time for Q&A will be provided.

10:30am – 12:10pm

1. The Political Ecology of Agricultural Innovation (Session II)

Room 129	
Organizer:	Marcus Taylor (Queen's University)
Chair:	Marcus Taylor (Queen's University)
Discussant:	Marcus Taylor (Queen's University)

Andrew Flachs (Purdue University)

Growing Pains: Farmer Fees and Agricultural Consultation in Telangana, India

Sarah Rotz (University of Guelph)

Drawing Lines in the Cornfield: An analysis of discourse and identity relations across agri-food networks in Canada

#### Hanson Nyantakyi-Frimpong (University of Denver)

The paradox of seed banks, indigenous knowledge and in situ agrobiodiversity conservation under climate change in northern Ghana

10:30am - 12:10pm

#### 2. Undergraduate Symposium II

Room 205

*Organizers:* Rachel Grap (University of Kentucky) Sophonie Bazile (University of Kentucky)

*Chairs:* Rachel Grap and Sophonie Bazile (University of Kentucky)

Laura Issac (University of Kentucky) First Steps Towards Queen Conch (Strombus gigas) Restoration in the Bahamas

**Marisa Lewis** (James Madison University) *Hybrid Environmental Governance: A Case Study of the Galapagos Islands* 

**Cailin Dyer** (James Madison University) **and Paris Smith** (James Madison University) *Sustainable Agriculture: Integration of Aquaponics at Punta Leona Hotel and Club in Costa Rica* 

**Rhiannon English** (James Madison University) Analyzing the Effectiveness of the Conservation Restoration Enhancement Program (CREP) in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley

**Ellen Sizer** (Ohio Wesleyan University) *Physical Fences and Social Boundaries: The Human Implications of Privatizing Nature in Patagonia Park* 

10:30am – 12:10pm

3. From communities of practice to communities of praxis: Public political ecology, environmental justice, and critical engagement in an era of regressive environmental politics (Session II)

Room 218	
Organizers:	Joel Correia (University of Arizona)
	Tracey Osborne (University of Arizona)

*Chair:* Joel Correia (University of Arizona)

Current political trends and regressive politics across the world are undermining the advances of environmental movements and threaten to exacerbate environmental injustices. Authoritarian populism, manifest in diverse ways, is driving many of these changes (Bridge 2013). This session responds to recent calls to investigate emancipatory political movements that challenge regressive environmental politics (see, e.g., Scoones et al. 2017; Castree 2014). Clearly, the current conjuncture presents exceptional socio-environmental concerns that require new political strategies, academic practices, and solidarities. We suggest that public political ecology is one vehicle to achieve this. While political ecology provides tools well suited to addressing the challenges of the current conjuncture (Peet, Robbins, Watts 2010), scholars have suggested that political ecology shift from 'communities of practice' (Robbins 2012) to 'communities of praxis' (Osborne 2017). Therefore, we understand public political ecology as the theoretically-informed practice of a diverse set of actors (which include an important role for academics) who share environmental concerns, collaborate, and co-produce knowledge to guide ethical action for earth stewardship, social justice, and environmental sustainability (Osborne 2017). We seek theoretically rich and empirically

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grounded papers that debate the praxis of public political ecology by writing new geographies of hope based on ethical praxis (Jarosz 2004; Braun 2005). Ultimately, we hope to enliven debates about engaged critical environmental scholarship as a tool to support socioenvironmental justice. We encourage papers that grapple with public or engaged political ecology in theory and practice through empirical case studies, theoretical interventions, and or engage with decolonizing and participatory action research methodologies. From communities of practice to communities of praxis will begin with a paper session and conclude with a panel discussion. The following questions inspire our call for papers and the sessions: -What are the 'politics of the possible' that an engaged public political ecology inspires or encourages? -In what ways can a public political ecology be used to support socioenvironmental justice movements, broadly construed? -How does your work navigate the challenge of linking theory and practice and, more specifically, what is your approach to praxis within public political ecology? -What are the methodological and ethical considerations of doing engaged scholarship?

#### Panelists

Tracey Osborne (University of Arizona) Ingrid Nelson (University of Vermont) Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American University) Joe Bryan (University of Colorado- Boulder) Rebecca Lave (Indiana University) Farhana Sultana (Syracuse University) Carolyn Finney (University of Kentucky)

10:30am – 12:10pm

4. Contested and Uncertain Temporalities of Resource Extraction

(Session II)	
Room 219	
Organizers:	Ashley Fent (UCLA) Erik Kojola (University of Minnesota)

Chair: Erik Kojola (University of Minnesota)

#### Ashley Fent (UCLA)

The Theft of Potentiality: Vernacular Understandings of Resource Extraction and the Future in Casamance, Senegal

#### Julie Snorek (Clark University)

*Militarization and extractivism in a landscape of terrorism: political geographies in Niger and Mali* 

Jennifer Lawrence (Virginia Tech) Toxic Entanglements: Chemical Governance and Extraction in Assembly

#### Adrianne Kroepsch (Colorado School of Mines)

*Groundwater Governmentalities and the Politics of The Century: Engaging with Denver and the Denver Basin Aquifer System* 

#### Hugh Deaner (University of Kentucky)

Century-long R&D, two decade boom, and millennial hazard: State of temporal horizons in Alberta's petroleum-bearing sands

10:30am – 12:10pm

5. International Association for Environmental Philosophy Panel

Room 225

Organizer: Bob Sandmeyer (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Bob Sandmeyer (University of Kentucky)

**Keith Peterson** (Colby College) *Political Ecology and Metascientific Stances* 

Anne Portman (University of Georgia) An Ecological Feminist Critique of Wendell Berry's Agrarianism

**Ian Werkheiser** (University of Texas Rio Grande Valley) Decolonizing "colonias": Philosophy and Political Ecology in the US-Mexico Border

10:30am – 12:10pm

6. Seeing the Forest by Its Trees: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Appalachian Forests (Session II)

Room 229	
Organizer:	Jasper Waugh-Quasebarth (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Jasper Waugh-Quasebarth (University of Kentucky)

Discussant: Tammy Clemons (University of Kentucky)

**Mary Hufford** (University of California, Berkeley and LiKEN [Livelihoods Knowledge Exchange Network] Lexington, KY) *De-stigmatizing Appalachia's Forest Commons: A Role for Environmental Humanities* 

Luke Manget (University of Tennessee-Chattanooga) The Political Ecology of Root Digging in Nineteenth-Century Appalachia

Kathryn Newfont (University of Kentucky) Convivial Commons Defense: The Case of Bluff Mountain, North Carolina

July Hazard (University of Washington) Spitting in the River: A trans sci-fi poetics for the Appalachian forest

10:30am – 12:10pm

7. Animal Studies and Multispecies Precarity: The Politics of Living and Dying Together

Room 305

Organizer: Phillip Drake (University of Kansas)

*Chair:* Phillip Drake (University of Kansas)

**Phillip Drake** (University of Kansas) *Parasites, Zoonoses, and the Politics of Precarity: Rabies and Tourism in Bali* 

Karla Armbruster (Webster University) The End of the Ark

**Cleo Woelfle-Erskine** (University of Washington) *Animating water through beaver encounters* 

### Welcome Address

1:45pm – 2:45pm

**Carolyn Finney, PhD** (University of Kentucky) White Hall Classroom Building – Room 106

**Dr. Carolyn Finney** is an Assistant Professor of Geography and faculty of Environmental and Sustainability Studies at the University of Kentucky. She is interested in issues related to identity, difference, creativity, and resilience. Her work aims to develop greater cultural competency within environmental organizations and institutions, challenge media outlets on their representation of difference, and increase awareness of how privilege shapes who gets to speak to environmental issues and determine policy and action.

3:20pm – 5:00pm

1. Rethinking Approaches to Empowerment in Development (Session II)

Room 105

*Organizers:* Kaitlyn Spangler (Virginia Tech) Daniel Sumner (Virginia Tech)

*Chair:* Kaitlyn Spangler (Virginia Tech)

#### Kaitlyn Spangler (Virginia Tech)

What's in a household? Male out-migration, community spaces, and empowerment in the Nepali Mid-hills

#### Erin Must (University of Guelph)

Empowerment, Repeated Action, and Space: Women and Cattle in Northwestern Botswana

**Ryan Good** (University of Florida) Entrepreneurship and the gendered division of labor in the context of urban change in Tanzania's freshwater fisheries

Maria Elisa Christie (Virginia Tech) Gendered Space and Subjective Indicators of Impacts of an IPM Project in Bangladesh

3:20pm – 5:00pm

2. Barriers and incentives for organic and sustainable practices in Kentucky agriculture
 *Room 129 Organizers:* David Gonthier (University of Kentucky)
 Amber Sciligo (University of California- Berkeley)
 Aidee Guzman (University of California- Berkeley)
 Amanda Skidmore (University of Kentucky)
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Farmers can use a number of management practices to build soils, minimize water contamination, conserve biodiversity, and provide social and economic benefits to their local communities. These practices may reduce input costs, enhance resilience, and improve farmer livelihoods and environmental health. However, while many incentives exist for farmers to adopt these practices, some farmers still face barriers that prevent them from doing so. These barriers may take form in land tenure and price, market access, high pest and disease pressure, little access to information, conflicting regulatory requirements, copious amounts of paperwork with increased regulations, and language that hinders their ability to participate in certification programs (e.g. USDA Organic) or incentive programs that reward the use of sustainable practices. Lack of adoption of these practices may jeopardize the longterm ecological and socio-economic sustainability of their farming operations and local communities. This session will consist of a moderated panel discussion of Kentucky farmers

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and academics to address barriers to, and incentives for, the use of sustainable farming practices in Kentucky agriculture. The goal will be to identify research needs to help reduce barriers to adopting sustainable practices

#### Panelists

Steve Muntz (Southern Sustainable Agriculture Working Group)
John Bell (Elmwood Stock Farm)
Ford Waterstrat (Sustainable Harvest Farm)
David Shrock (Lincoln County Produce Auction LLC)
Linda McMaine (McMaine's Riverhaven Farm)

3:20pm – 5:00pm

### 3. Racing Nature, De-naturing Race: Terrains of Power and Production

### Room 205

Organizers:Julie Santella (University of Minnesota)Robin Wright (University of Minnesota)Keavy McFadden (University of Minnesota)

*Chair:* Julie Santella (University of Minnesota)

#### Robin Wright (University of Minnesota)

"This statement may be read as an admission!": Conservation, Commodification, and Contested Environments in the American West

#### Nora Sylvander (The Ohio State University)

"They don't care about the environment"–constructing ethnic and spatial difference through environmental conservation discourses

#### Arif Hayat Nairang (University of Minnesota)

'Difficult' Pollutant; an Uncertain Ontology constituting Vulnerability

#### Isabelle Anguelovski (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

The new green city as an urban ecological enclave? Recent patterns of exclusion, polarization, and invisibilization in New Orleans, Medellin, and Barecelona

#### Keavy McFadden (University of Minnesota)

Building a New Chicago: Exploring the Co-Production of Race and Nature through the 606, North Branch Framework, & 312 RiverRun

3:20pm – 5:00pm

#### 4. Poster Session

Room 221

#### Colleen C. Myles (Texas State University)

Approaching and applying political ecology: Some thoughts on the pedagogy and practice of *PE* in classrooms near and far

#### Whitney Ricker (James Madison University)

Urban Heat Islands and Sustainable Development: A Spatial Analysis of Neighborhoods in El Paso, Texas

#### Ryan Booth (James Madison University)

Scientific Farming and Agricultural Innovation in the Virginia Blue Ridge

#### Jamison Clarke (James Madison University)

Mapping Sustainable Development Networks in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia

#### Quintin Petersen (James Madison University)

The Northend Greenway and the Path Forward: A Model for Fair and Sustainable Urban Development?

#### **Katherine Lerner** (James Madison University) *Power, Profit and Pipelines: A political ecological analysis of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline*

3:20pm – 5:00pm

### 5. Towards a Political Ecology of Superfoods

Room 225	
Organizer:	Emma McDonell (Indiana University)
Chair:	Laçin Tutalar (University of Kentucky)
Discussant:	Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American University)

**Gretchen Sneegas** (University of Georgia) Panacea or Poison? The Political Ecology of Raw Milk

**Christopher Jarrett** (The University of Texas at San Antonio) Who Owns Guayusa?: The Intersection of Intellectual Property and Commodity Chain Governance in a New Superbeverage Industry

**Emma McDonell** (Indiana University) *Quinoa, the Not-so Lost Crop of the Incas: A Critical Examination of Culinary Extractivism in Peru* 

3:20pm – 5:00pm

6. Political Ecologies of Landscape and Subject Formation

Room 229	
Organizers:	Joshua Eichen (University of Minnesota)
	Joseph Getzoff (University of Minnesota)

*Chair:* Joseph Getzoff (University of Minnesota)

**Charlie Corwin** (University of Illinois at Chicago) Actor Network Theory as Methodology: A Case of Cover Crop Farming in North Central Illinois

**Kaytee Canfield** (University of Rhode Island) Catalina Island: A vacation in paradise, a life of environmental injustice

Joshua Eichen (University of Minnesota) Racial State-Making on Sugar Plantations in the Early Modern Portuguese Atlantic: Co-Producing Environments and Subjects

**Clare Beer** (UCLA) *Metabolism and the state: Toward a theory of environmental statecraft* 

3:20pm – 5:00pm

- 7. Confronting Extraction: Resistance to the Extractive Industries in the Neoliberal Era
  - Room 305Organizers:Sarah Renkert (University of Arizona)Claudia Díaz-Combs (University of Arizona)
    - *Chair:* Sarah Renkert (University of Arizona)

Claudia Diaz-Combs (University of Arizona)

"Fluye el Petróleo, Sangra la Selva" (As the Petroleum Flows, so Bleeds the Jungle): Ecuador vs. Chevron

Sarah Renkert (University of Arizona) Tourism, Petroleum, and Resistance in the Yasuní National Park

**Elizabeth Eklund** (University of Arizona) The thinness of Paper Parks as a means of resistance

**Stephen Oliver** (University of Arizona) Organizational Approaches to Food Security in Paraguay

**Moriah Stephenson** (University of Arizona) The Oklahoma Standard: Resisting Resource Extraction and Re-imagining Okie Identity

### **Plenary Panel**

5:30pm – 7:00pm

### A Discussion on Social and Environmental Justice

White Hall Classroom Building – Room 118

#### Panelists

**Allison Harnish, PhD.** Dr. Harnish is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology and Sociology at Albion College.

**Ingrid Nelson, PhD.** Dr. Nelson is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies Program, and an Affiliate Faculty in the Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies Program at the University of Vermont.

**Flora Lu, PhD.** Dr. Lu is an Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Studies, an Affiliate Professor for the Department of Anthropology and Chicano Latino Research Center, and Provost of Colleges Nine and Ten at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

**Sharlene Mollett, PhD.** Dr. Mollett is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Human Geography and Centre for Critical Development Studies at the University of Toronto, Scarborough.

#### Moderator

**Lisa Cliggett, PhD.** Dr. Cliggett is a Professor in and the Chair of the Department of Anthropology at the University of Kentucky. She is also an Affiliate Professor of the Department of African American and Africana Studies, Environmental and Sustainability Studies, and Social Theory at the University of Kentucky.

## **Opening Reception**

7:00pm – 10:00pm

#### Hilary J. Boone Center

500 Rose Street

Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served at this catered recepition, along with a cash bar featuring local beer and bourbon.

### Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

#### **Registration Desk Opens**

8:00am

Check in, grab your nametag, and say hello. A friendly volunteer will be available all day to welcome you to DOPE 8 and answer questions.

Patterson Hall Room 118

### **Breakfast Buffet**

8:00am – 10:30am

A complimentary breakfast buffet is provided for all conference participants, including hot coffee and assorted teas.

Patterson Hall Room 118

9:00am – 10:40am

1. 'Green-washing' Settler Colonialism: Dispossession, Sustainability, and Natural Resource Management

Room 105Organizer:Sara Salazar Hughes (Mount Holyoke College)

Chair: Sara Salazar Hughes (Mount Holyoke College)

**Gabi Kirk** (University of California Davis) *Trees, Trains, and Terraces: Unnatural Nature in Palestine-Israel* 

Joseph Getzoff (University of Minnesota) 'Afforest the Waste': Settler-Colonial Sciences in the Naqab-Negev

**Sara Salazar Hughes** (Mount Holyoke College) *"Greenwashing" the Occupation: Environmental governance and the Israeli occupation of Palestine* 

**Deondre Smiles** (The Ohio State University) *Hidden Violence: Indigenous Resistance in Quotidian Settler Structures* 

9:00am – 10:40am

2. Crossing Fields & Sparking Interest with Art:Sci

Room 119	
Organizers:	Kaitlin Zapel (University of Kentucky)
	Karen Stevens (University of Kentucky)

Chair: Kaitlin Zapel (University of Kentucky)

Kaitlin Zapel (University of Kentucky)

Indigenous Artisans: Stewards of Nature; Mestizo Artisans: Eco-Friendly Entrepreneurs

#### Emily Horton (University of Georgia)

Small-scale Fisheries Governance Through Multiple Lenses: the Search for Well-being, Justice, and Sustainability in a Brazilian Marine Protected Area

#### Benjamin Fash (Clark University)

Political Ecological Possibilities from Sensory, Decolonial, and Participatory Experiments in Film

#### Dylan Harris (Clark University)

*Coal Miners in Brooklyn? A Critique of Climate Art-ctivism & A Proposal for Climate Storytelling* 

9:00am – 10:40am

3. Beyond Big Tobacco: Evolving Sustainable Livelihoods and Communities after Tobacco

Room 129	
Organizers:	Tony Milanzi (University of Kentucky) Ann Kingsolver (University of Kentucky)
Chair:	Tony Milanzi (University of Kentucky)

Discussant: Ann Kingsolver (University of Kentucky)

#### Mary Beth Schmid (University of Kentucky)

"It's a family-run thing": Tobacco and Tomato Farming in Southern Appalachia

**Tony Milanzi** (University of Kentucky) *The Tobacco Industry in Malawi: Shaping Perception of Risk, Perpetuating a Livelihood Crisis* 

Marty Otanez (University of Colorado- Denver) Labor Trafficking in Malawi Tobacco Farming Sector

9:00am – 10:40am

4. General Session: Urban Political Ecology

Room 205

*Organizer:* Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

Chair: Elena Ricciardi (Delta Collaborative)

**Megan Styles and Amy McEuen** (University of Illinois Springfield) The Political Ecology of Memorialization in Conservation: Community Engagement & Ecological Practice in Lincoln Memorial Garden

Laura Grier (University of Michigan) The Political Ecology of the Local Food Movement in Ann Arbor, Michigan

**Austin Martin** (University of Michigan) Socio-economic geographies of lawn consumption and their potential effects on urban wild bee communities

Andy Scerri (Virginia Tech) On not taking sustainability seriously in the US's Piedmont Sprawl Belt

9:00am – 10:40am

### 5. Women and Gender Equity in Agriculture

Room 218	
Organizers:	Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American University) Padini Nirmal (Clark University)
Chair:	Veronica Limeberry (American University)

Discussant: Christine Smith (Seedleaf)

#### Eric Mogren (Northern Illinois University)

Negotiating power on the farm: Progressive era farm women and gender dynamics of agricultural reform in the early twentieth century

#### Padini Nirmal (Clark University)

Exploring Agrarian Feminist Resistance Among the Adivasis of Attappady

### **Sumac Elisa Cárdenas Oleas** (Iowa State University) *The intersection of gender and ethnicity in development policy and application*

9:00am – 10:40am

6. Subversive Mobilities: Infrastructures, Boundary Objects, and Everyday Ecologies of Breaking Borders

Room 219	
Organizers:	Galen Murton (James Madison University)
	Joel Correia (University of Arizona)

Chair: Galen Murton (James Madison University)

#### Elana Zilberg (UC San Diego)

Bridging Divides: A Material Politics of River Revitalization and Other Infrastructural Ambitions in "The New Los Angeles"

Joe Bryan (University of Colorado) The Spectrum of Defense: Community Radio and Land Rights in Oaxaca, Mexico

**Ramzi Tubbeh** (Pennsylvania State University) Cracks in concrete: interrogating different forms of resistance in the Colca-Majes-Siguas engineered waterscape

**Carter Hunt** (Pennsylvania State University) **and Larry Gorenflo** (Pennsylvania State University) A Post-Infrastructural Political Ecology of Development and Conservation in Cartagena Bay, Colombia

Joel Correia (University of Arizona) Stuck between the lines: Infrastructural violence, indigeneity, and disruption on the margin of a highway in Paraguay's Chaco

9:00am – 10:40am

### 7. Political Ecology 101: What IS Political Ecology?

Room 221Organizer:Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

Lindsay Shade (University of Kentucky)

The Political Ecology Working Group invites all University of Kentucky Undergraduates and Graduate Students to participate in Political Ecology 101. This event consists of a casual, interdisciplinary seminar that will trace the theoretical antecedents of contemporary political ecology in development studies, cultural ecology, geography, and anthropology as well as a discussion of political ecology as inherently concerned with processes and movements for social change. The seminar is open to all University of Kentucky Undergraduate and Graduate Students as well as conference attendees; participants are not required to register for the DOPE conference.

9:00am – 10:40am

8. General Session: Animals, Resources, and Conservation

Room 225Organizer:Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* Emma Yip (Delta Collaborative)

**Eric Godoy** (Illinois State University) *Predators and Sympathy: The Political Ecology of Big Game Hunting* 

**Dave Knieter** (West Virginia University) Disentangling the Conservation-Development Nexus: A case study analysis of the comanagement of Bushbuckridge Nature Reserve, Mp

**Russell Fielding** (University of the South) *Pollution and Protests: Unlikely Partners in Cetacean Conservation* 

**Cody Peterson** (University of Colorado Denver) Fabricated Forests: A Historical Political Ecology of Fuelwood Collection in South India

**David Oonk** (University of Colorado) Fracking and Technological Momentum: Unconventional Oil and Gas Development in Colorado

9:00am – 10:40am

9. Getting Practical: Making Change with Critical Physical Geography

Room 229	
Organizers:	Lisa C. Kelley (Santa Clara University, University of Hawaii-Manoa) Annie Shattuck (University of California- Berkeley)
Chair:	Lisa Kelley (Santa Clara University, University of Hawaii-Manoa)
Discussant:	Rebecca Lave (Indiana University-Bloomington)

Chris Knudson (University of Arizona)

*Forecast, fertilizer, fungicide: The use of climate information by resource-constrained coffee farmers* 

Jenny Isaacs (Rutgers University) Capturing the Flyway; Techniques and Technologies of Atlantic Shorebird Conservation

Jimena Diaz Leiva (University of California, Berkeley) Leveraging bioindicators and political ecology to understand mercury contamination from artisanal and small-scale gold mining in Peru

**Lisa Kelley** (Santa Clara University, University of Hawaii-Manoa) *Politics and Policy along an Indonesian Commodity Frontier* 

**Annie Shattuck** (UC Berkeley) *The politics of imperceptibility: Risk, uncertainty and environmental health on a commodity frontier* 

# Lunch (on your own) 10:40am – 12:30pm

### Session Block 5

12:30pm – 2:10pm

1. 'Green-washing' Settler Colonialism: Dispossession, Sustainability, and Natural Resource Management (Session II)

Room 105 Organizer:

Sara Salazar Hughes (Mount Holyoke College)

Chair: Sara Salazar Hughes (Mount Holyoke College)

Adam Fix (SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry) Adherentes and Allies: Settler Colonialism and Indigenous Solidarity Movements in New York and Chiapas

**Elizabeth Shoffner** (University of Washington) Settler Environmentalism and Conservation Governance along the Río Uruguay

12:30pm – 2:10pm

### 2. Scholar Activist Panel: Art and Political Ecology

Room 119Organizer:Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

#### Panelists

John Sabraw, PhD is a Professor of Art and Chair of Painting + Drawing at Ohio University. An activist and environmentalist, Sabraw's paintings, drawings, and collaborative installations are produced in an eco-conscious manner. His current collaboration with Guy Riefler looks to extract toxic acid mine drainage (AMD) from polluted streams and turn it into paint pigment.

**Tammy Clemons** is a PhD Candidate in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Kentucky. Her dissertation research focuses on the cultural productions of young visual media makers in Central Appalachia and how they envision, construct, and act upon possibilities for themselves and the region. She served 3½ years as Berea College Sustainability Coordinator, which was the first such campus-wide position established in the state of Kentucky. While working at Berea, she taught a couple of college-level courses on ecofeminism and one on filmmaking and community activism.

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**Russell Allen** is a creative artist and activist based out of Lexington, Kentucky. Under the stage name R.E.A.L tha Poet he uses a genre bending combination of rapping, sung vocals and poetry to paint a vivid picture of everyday life. His latest full-length album *Learn on the Fly* uses those elements to thoughtfully discuss the ways that he as a black man interacts with his environment in Kentucky.

**Zoe Strecker** is a visual artist, writer and studio art professor at Transylvania University. Strecker teaches an ongoing, upper-level interdisciplinary course called SITE, pairing Art with Philosophy and other disciplines in order to generate creative and scholarly responses to particular sites, especially contested places and sites which have not been creatively examined and interpreted. The most frequently taught SITE course is "Appalachia and Mountaintop Removal" in which she and her colleague, Dr. Peter Fosl, aim, through reading, writing, and the production of visual artwork, to facilitate a deeper understanding of biodiversity in the natural world, to introduce and survey some of the main topics in environmental ethics, and to assess mining practices and the controversies surrounding them in Appalachia.

12:30pm – 2:10pm

3. Unsettling Political Ecology: Dialogues on the Legacies of Trauma

Room 129		
Organizers:	Alex Moulton (Clark University)	
	Stepha Velednitsky (University of Wisconsin- Madison)	
Chairs:	Alex Moulton (Clark University) and Stepha Velednitsky (University of Wisconsin- Madison)	
Discussant:	Carolyn Finney (University of Kentucky)	
Brittany Wheeler (Clark University)		
Body, Place, Enviro	nment: The Meeting of Historical and Future Injustice	

Nicholas Padilla (Western Michigan University) Indigenous natures, trauma, and enduring in Cauca, Colombia

**Courtney Cook** (University of Texas at Austin) Daddy Lessons: An auto-ethnography of Haunted Feminist Becomings

12:30pm – 2:10pm

### 4. Political Ecologies of Urban Resiliance to Extreme Weather Events

Room 205	
Organizers:	Katinka Wijsman (New School for Social Research) Melissa Davidson (Arizona State University) Erin Friedman (City University of New York)
Chair:	Katinka Wijsman (New School for Social Research)
Discussant:	Joshua Mullenite (Florida International University)

#### Katinka Wijsman (The New School) and Bart Orr (The New School)

*Racist Seawalls? Confronting challenges of transdisciplinary climate adaptation planning in environmental justice settings* 

#### Mathieu Feagan (Arizona State University)

*Tensions in the science and politics of data visualization: situating urban resilience to climate change* 

**Ly Quoc Dang** (Chiang Mai University) *Urban Floods in Can Tho City, Vietnam: Vulnerability and Resilience among women* 

12:30pm – 2:10pm

5. Women and Gender Equity in Agriculture (Session II)

Room 218	
Organizers:	Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American University)
	Padini Nirmal (Clark University)
Chair:	Padini Nirmal (Clark University)
Discussant:	Priscilla McCutcheon (University of Louisville)

Veronica Limeberry (American University) and Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American

University)

*Femming the Farm? Agrarian Feminism and the Limits/Goal of Gender Equity through Agricultural Policy* 

Megan Baumann (Penn State University)

Irrigation megaprojects and solidarity in Tolima, Colombia: A streetwalker methodology informs feminist political ecology

**Katie Shedden** (James Madison University) (In)visibility and Meaning in Food Labor: A Feminist Autoethnography

12:30pm – 2:10pm

6. Subversive Mobilities: Infrastructures, Boundary Objects, and Everyday Ecologies of Breaking Borders (Session II)

Room 219	
Organizers:	Galen Murton (James Madison University)
	Joel Correia (University of Arizona)

Chair: Joel Correia (University of Arizona)

**Brent Sturlaugson** (University of Kentucky) Handpicked: Migrant Farmworker Housing and the Infrastructure of Food

**Ciara Segura** (University of Texas at Austin) On the spatial politics of environmental buffer zones

**Kyle Wicks** (James Madison University) Speaking for Those Without a Voice: Environmental Degradation Along the U.S.-Mexico Border

Manuel Galaviz (University of Texas at Austin) Música, Baile, y Abrazos: Disrupting Border Security Infrastructure at Border Field State Park

**Galen Murton** (James Madison University) Crossing borders within: Identity, mobility, and politics across a Himalayan borderzone

12:30pm – 2:10pm

- 7. Louisville as a Living Lab: Thinking Ecologically and Politically about our Urban World
  - Room 229Organizers:Allison Smith (Metro Louisville)Angela Storey (University of Louisville)
    - Chair: Angela Storey (University of Louisville)

**Allison Smith** (Louisville Metro Government) Bringing People in: Community engagement in Brownfields redevelopment

**Lauren Heberle** (University of Louisville) *Measuring Community Benefits of Brownfield Redevelopment: Louisville, KY Pilot Study* 

**Haileigh Arnold** (University of Louisville) *The Influence of Policy and Local Organizations on Beekeepers in Louisville, Kentucky* 

**Angela Storey** (University of Louisville) and **Allan Day** (University of Louisville) Seeing the Urban Environment: Linking Ethnographic Methods and Pedagogical Practice in Louisville

2:30pm – 4:10pm

1. Legal and Extralegal Dispossession: Extracting Value and Exploiting Difference across Uneven Spaces

Room 105	
Organizers:	Daniela Aiello (University of Georgia)
	Benjamin R. Rubin (City University of New York)

*Chair:* Benjamin Rubin (City University of New York)

**Benjamin Rubin** (Graduate Center, City University of New York) Financial Risk and Legal Regulation: Crisis Management as a Site of Innovation for New Forms of Dispossession

**Rachelle Berry** (University of Georgia) Dispossession through Emergency Management: Winners and Losers in Detroit's Bankruptcy

Max Ritts (UBC) Accumulations of Knowledge: Enclosure and the Political Economy of Coastal citizen science

**Daniela Aiello** (University of Georgia) Lessons from legal, extralegal and illegal evictions in Atlanta and Vancouver

2:30pm – 4:10pm

2. 'The Gold Fish Casino' film screening & discussion

### Room 119

*Organizer:* Sarolta Jane Vay (Independent Filmmaker, San Francisco State University)

*Chair:* Sarolta Jane Vay (Independent Filmmaker, San Francisco State University)

'The Gold Fish Casino' is a 33 minute queer slapstick musical about salmon migration and the uprising of an emergent water commons.

At The Gold Fish Casino, a plucky Salmon must gamble her eggs for high stakes: enough clean water to get home to spawn. The Water Nymph, a veteran of the Water Wars, charms the Salmon while dealing dirty cards. Onstage, The Army Chorus of Engineers sing cheerful numbers about Manifest Destiny while at the bar the down-trodden River Creatures hatch plans to topple the Water Tycoon.

As a mighty storm brews in the distance, the Water Tycoon shuffles in for a cataclysmic show down: Will the Salmon and her fellow creatures rise up, or will it all go down the drain? Following a screening of the film the playwright (July Hazard), director (Sarolta Jane Vay), and science consultant (Cleo Woelfle-Erskine) will discuss how fantastic surrealities and artscience collaborations can reshape environmental politics; and the ensuing tensions between artistic and scientific modes of knowledge production.

Throughout a genealogy from one-act play to musical to film, The Gold Fish Casino, has engaged biologists as performers and audience, and sparked dialog among queers, river activists, water wonks, and artists around water politics. Yet, how these encounters shape water politics is difficult to assess.

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Decisions about how to manage rivers and endangered species are typically delegated to scientists and economists within a technocratic setting. Political art has been integral to social movements from ACT UP to the WTO protests to current climate justice efforts, but rarely engages scientists as co-creators or audience.

We will explore the role of queer political art in shaping debates about environmental governance, and in furthering transspecies, transnational, feminist possibilities of world-shaping.

Sarolta Jane Vay (Independent Filmmaker, San Francisco State University)July Hazard (University of Washington)Cleo Woelfle-Erskine (University of Washington)

2:30pm – 4:10pm

3. Opiates and Human Systems: From Medicinal Plant Compound to Disease Epidemic

Room 129Organizer:Alice Melendez (Independent/Action Researcher)

*Chair:* Alice Melendez (Independent/Action Researcher)

Alice Melendez (Independent/Action Researcher) Opium for the Masses- mass-produced opium and dis-illusion

James Nolan (West Virginia University)

*"The Sun Does Not Rise or Set:" A Sociological View on the Opioid Crisis in American Communities* 

**Carrie Oser** (University of Kentucky) Social-Ecological Barriers to Medication Assisted Treatment for Appalachian Inmates After Release from Prison: A Clinician's Tale

Kenneth Anderson (HAMS Harm Reduction Network) We Already Know How to Reverse the Overdose Crisis

**Andrew Ozinskas** (Bastyr University) A look at three ways that Botanical Medicine is an ally in the modern addiction crisis

2:30pm – 4:10pm

### 4. Urban Ecologies and the Commons

Room 205

- *Organizers:* Caitlin Cunningham (Virginia Commonwealth University) Patrick Korte (Virginia Commonwealth University)
  - *Chair:* Patrick Korte (Virginia Commonwealth University)

#### Rachael Baker (York University)

Mother Land: An ethic of the commons

Eleanor Finley (University of Massachusetts, Amherst)

The Rojava Revolution, Social Ecology, and the Commons

**Caitlin Schroering** (University of Pittsburgh) *The Global Economy, Resource Conflicts, and Environmental Social Movement Resistance* 

**Vera Smirnova** (Virginia Tech) *Territorial Formations of the Frontier: Extralegal Appropriation, Border Materialities, and Land in the Imperial Siberia* 

2:30pm – 4:10pm

5. Women and Gender Equity in Agriculture: A Dialogue on Agrarian
 Feminism
 *Room 218* Organizers: Heather Hyden (North Limestone Community Development Corporation)
 Garrett Graddy-Lovelace (American University)
 Cassia Herron (University of Louisville)

This double session continues a Dimensions of Political Ecology tradition of merging academic and practitioner analyses of agrarian issues. This year, the two scholarly sessions bring researchers, faculty, and students together to share original scholarship on the topic of women's leadership, intersectional agrarian feminism, and gender-equity in agriculture. The current demographic shifts in the US, for instance, are bringing forth more female principal operators. How can policy, extension, research, and markets be transformed to support these shifts? What are the constraints to--and opportunities for--gender and racial equity in agriculture--in the US and elsewhere?

After morning and early afternoon rounds of scholarly findings, analysis, theory and discussion, we'll embark upon the practitioner-scholar panel. We are fortunate to have a number of Kentucky-based women farmers, community leaders, extensionists, and advocates join us for this roundtable panel to share their valuable experiences and expertise on these topics. We envision this session as an interactive space of dialogue, mutual learning, and community-building. Join us.

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#### Panelists

Ashley Smith (Black Soils, Our Better Nature) Tiffany Bellfield (Ballew Estates LLC) Dr. Rosalind Harris (University of Kentucky, Department of Community & Leadership Development/Sociology) Michelle Howell (Need More Acres Farm) Karyn Moskowitz (New Roots Inc.) Bethany Pratt (Jefferson County Cooperative Extension) Lori Garkovich (University of Kentucky, Department of Community & Leadership Development)

2:30pm – 4:10pm

6. Political Ecologies of Environmental Engineering

Joshua Mullenite (Florida International University)
Riveraine Walters (University of Idaho)
Rebecca Lave (Indiana University-Bloomington)

#### Fazilda Nabeel (University of Sussex)

The place of Groundwater in the Making of a Colonial Hydrology: Punjab in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century

**Mitchell Kiefer** (University of Pittsburgh) Sewage Infrastructure and Resilience in and around Pittsburgh

Martin Calvet (University of Manchester)

Urban terraforming: engineering urban sustainability to produce socio-environmental power

2:30pm – 4:10pm

### 7. Film Screening "Ecology in Concrete" (2017) By Jae-eun Jeong

Room 225Organizer:Goeun Lee (University of Kentucky)

*Commentator:* Jayoung Koo (University of Kentucky)

Housing is an economic issue that is ever present in news and presidential elections, as well as in daily conversations. Ecology in Concrete (a-pa-teu saeng-tae-gye) takes a different approach to this topic. It captures the birth, growth, demolition, and rebirth of apartment buildings through the stories of the people involved. Planners or architects who created the policies, actual tenants, real estate brokers, re-developers, and those who have previously resided or plan to reside in the apartments are all related. The vivid growth and changes these people underwent reflects the experience of the apartments. Information and emotion thus coexist. Perhaps this is why the film criticizes Seoul's city planning that is haphazardly made rather than planned out, but is not merely looking at the systematic or structural outcomes. It interprets architecture as a place of human residence. It smoothly hones in on this dimension of Korean society by fluidly weaving together public and private memories.

\*The film is in Korean language with English subtitles.

2:30pm – 4:10pm

8. General Session: Food, Community, and Farming

Room 225Organizer:Political Ecology Working Group (University of Kentucky)

*Chair:* John Rosenwinkel (Vanderbilt University)

**Carrie Chennault** (Iowa State University) *Rethinking community food project evaluations: visceral encounters at the Washington Neighborhood Community Garden* 

Jacques Fils Pierre (The Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro and University of Kentucky Horticulture Research South Farm) *Characterization of family Farming in Haiti: Food Security Challenges and Sustainable Agriculture Solutions.* 

**Wayne Teel** (James Madison University) Unlocking wider use of biochar for agriculture and carbon sequestration.

Matthew McKay (University of Florida) Changing Economic Geography of Southern New England's "Tobacco Valley": Surviving in the 21st Century

Jack Braunstein Making Purity in Northern Vermont's Maple Sugar Industry

2:30pm – 4:10pm

9. Managing Bodies in East Africa: How Conservation Areas Condition Subjectivies

Room 229Organizer:Jennifer Coffman (James Madison University)

*Chair:* Jennifer Coffman (James Madison University)

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Invisible Lines, Multiple Pathways, and Shifting Networks: Re-defining "Being Maasai" in the Tanzanian Northern Rangelands

Kayla Yurco (James Madison University)

Beyond the Boma: A Gendered Approach to Conceptualizing Resource Access in Pastoral Households

#### Rachel Palkovitz (James Madison University)

*"Of the knife-sharpening rocks": contested border spaces surrounding Mount Longido Forest Reserve, Tanzania* 

**Alyssa Withrow** (James Madison University) Degradation and Marginalization in Tanzanian Marine Environments: Blast Fishing and Seaweed Harvesting

### **Keynote Address**

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

*Fluid citizens: Embodiments and intersectionalities in constructing urban citizenship through water* 

Farhana Sultana, PhD (Syracuse University) Memorial Hall – 610 S. Limestone

**Dr. Farhana Sultana** is Associate Professor of Geography at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs of Syracuse University, where she is also the Research Director for Environmental Collaboration and Conflicts at the Program for the Advancement of Research on Conflicts and Collaboration (PARCC). Dr. Sultana is an internationally recognized interdisciplinary scholar of political ecology, water governance, post-colonial development, social and environmental justice, climate change, and gendered dimensions of environmental change and developmental policies. Her research and scholar-activism draw from her experiences of having lived and worked on three continents as well as from her backgrounds in the natural sciences, social sciences, and policy experience. Author of several dozen publications, her recent books are *The Right to Water: Politics, Governance and Social Struggles* and *Eating, Drinking: Surviving*.

# After Party 7:00pm – late

Join the organizers and other participants for a post-conference celebration. A UK tradition and newly woman-owned, Lynagh's is a no-frills pub offering 100+ beers, mixed drinks, burgers and bar eats.

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