

Anthropocene Objects and Environmental Futures

Time	5-7 July, 2015
Venue	The Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, Munich, Germany
Conveners	Rob Emmett (RCC/Munich), Gregg Mitman (Center for Culture, History, and Environment, University of Wisconsin), and Marco Armiero (Environmental Humanities Lab, KTH Royal Institute of Technology Stockholm)
Abstract	This workshop is the second in a three part series, co-sponsored by the Rachel Carson Center, the Center for Culture, History and Environment (University of Wisconsin–Madison), and the Environmental Humanities Lab (KTH Stockholm).

Sunday, 5 July 2015 Deutsches Museum, Museuminsel

14:00 – 16:45 Opening of the Cabinet of Curiosities Exhibition

Tour of the exhibition “Welcome to the Anthropocene: The Earth in Our Hands,” Nina Möllers and Helmuth Trischler, Deutsches Museum

Opening of the Cabinet of Curiosities, Helmuth Trischler, RCC / Deutsches Museum

17:00 Walk along the Isar River, dinner (self-organized)

Monday, 6 July 2015 Rachel Carson Center, Leopoldstr. 11a

09:00 – 10:45 I. Widespread, Invisible, and Violent

“Snarge”

Gary Kroll, State University of New York–Plattsburgh

“Marine Animal Satellite Tags”

Nils Hanwahr, Rachel Carson Center

“The Pesticide Pump and its Consequences

Michelle Mart (with Cameron Muir), Pennsylvania State University

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 **V. Sedimentation–Future Bedrock**

“Concretes Speak”

Rachel Harkness, Cristian Simonetti, and Judith Winter, University of Aberdeen

“Entwined Futures: Coral, Climate and Human-Nature Hybridity”

Josh Wodak, University of New South Wales

“A Jar of Sand: Digging into the Anthropocene”

Nicole Heller, Dwight Center of Conservation Science, Pepperwood Foundation
Tomas Matza, University of Pittsburgh

12:30 – 13:45 **Lunch**

13:45 – 15:30 **III. Arts of De-extinction**

“Freezing Life in the Anthropocene”

Liz Hennessy, Assistant Professor of History, University of Wisconsin–Madison

“The Affective Limits of Parataxis”

Tom Bristow, University of Melbourne

“Learning Extinct Birdsong: *Huia Echoes*”

Julianne Lutz Warren, New York University

15:30 – 15:45 **Coffee Break**

15:45 – 17:30 **IV. Reworking the Anthropocene**

“On the Possibilities of a Monkey Wrench”

Daegan Miller, University of Wisconsin–Madison

“Future Fossils”

Jared Farmer, Stony Brook University

Commentary

Laura Pulido, University of Southern California

Rob Nixon, University of Wisconsin-Madison (via Skype)

17:45 **Dinner at Georghof**

Tuesday, 7 July 2015

9:00 – 10:45 **V. Visualizing Anthropocene Objects**

“Davies Road”

Mandy Martin and Trisha Carroll, New South Wales (via Skype)

“Seeing Ourselves”

Sverker Sörlin and Nina Woormbs, KTH Royal Institute of Technology

“Objects from Anna’s Cabinet of Curiosities”

Judit Hersko, California State University San Marcos

“The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of the Anthropocene”

Bethany Wiggin, University of Pennsylvania

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 – 12:30 **Final session**

Identifying cross-cutting concepts and gaps

Setting schedule for writing

Marco Armiero, KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Rob Emmett, Rachel Carson Center

Gregg Mitman, University of Wisconsin–Madison

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch, optional walk through the Englischer Garten (or train to airport)**