

Humanities for the Environment Conference

University of Pretoria

Old College House

August 2017

1 August 2017

12:00	Screening of Juan Carlos Galeano's documentary titled "The River (El Rio)" Chair: Silindiwe Sibanda Venue: Sanlam Auditorium
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2 August 2017

12:00	Public Lecture by Joni Adamson titled "Food Futures: Speculative Fiction and Film, Ethnobotanical Knowledges and Urban Resilience" Chair: Antoinette Lombard Venue: Merensky Library Auditorium
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4 August 2017

8:30	Tea and Coffee
9:00	Opening and Welcome – Professor Vasu Reddy, Dean of the Humanities Chair: James Ogude
9:15	Keynote Address: Professor Jacob Dlamini, Title TBA Chair: James Ogude
10:30	Tea and Coffee
11:00	Local Paper Presentations Chairs: Joni Adamson and Melanie Murcott Benda Hofmeyr, <i>The Tragedy of the Commons Revisited</i> Rebecca Fasselt and Silindiwe Sibanda, <i>Decentering the Human: A Re-reading of Environmental Concerns in Ngugi wa Thiong'o's A Grain of Wheat</i> Amanda du Preez, <i>Dreams of Post-earth: Implications for Humanities and the Environment</i> Rory Du Plessis, <i>Digital Environment Humanities: Inspiring Thoughtful Citizenship in Students</i>
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Innocent Pikirayi, <i>Great Zimbabwe – Water, Landscape, History, and</i>

	<i>the Present</i>
	Timothy Sim, <i>Shocks & Stresses: Making Hong Kong a Resilient City</i>
15:00	Tea and Coffee
15:30	Reports from Regional Observatories
	North America, European, South America, Australia-Pacific, Africa, and Circumpolar
	UP Environmental Programme in the Dept. of Geography: To share their experience.
17:00	Closure and Welcome Cocktail Function

5 August

9:00	Tea and Coffee
9:30	Poul Holm, Introduction to Humanities for the Environment Special Issue
9:45	Humanities for the Environment Special Issue Paper Presentations – Session 1
	Chair: Juan Carlos
	Joni Adamson, <i>Desertification and Desert Urban Labs: The Humanities and the Arts of Futurity</i>
	Sally Kitsch, <i>Humanities Toolkits for Meeting Environmental Challenges</i>
	James Ogude, <i>African Literature as a Powerful Witness to a Postcolonial Ecology</i>
11:00	Tea and Coffee
11:30	Humanities for the Environment Special Issue Paper Presentation – Session 2
	Chair: Amanda du Preez
	Steven Hartman, <i>Climate Change Impacts and Vulnerability in the Circumpolar North: Synergising Cross-sector Responses in the Nordic Region</i>
	Ian McCalman, <i>A Poet and a Painter Led the Fight to Save Australia's Great Barrier Reef in the 1970s. What Can Humanities for the Environment Do This Time?</i>
	Melanie Murcott, <i>Transformative Environmental Constitutionalism's Response to the Setting Aside of South Africa's Moratorium on Rhino Horn Trade</i>
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Film Screening: "The River (El Rio)", directed by Juan Carlos Galeano

15:00	Wrap Up
15:30	OPTIONAL – Guests who would like to accompany Melanie Murcott on a game drive at the Dinokeng Nature Reserve for ZAR 310/ EUR 21 / USD 24 need to RSVP for this by 31 July 2017.
19:00	Dinner at Kream for International Guests

6 August

9:00	Tea and Coffee
9:30	Poul Holm – The Way Forward: Advancing Humanities for the Environment interventions in the ICP Report
10:15	Sally Kitsch – Humanities for the Environment Collective Enterprise for Public Goods
11:00	Tea and Coffee
11:30	Joni Adamson – Humanities for the Environment Website and the Introduction of the South American Observatory
12:00	Lunch
13:00	OPTIONAL – Guests who would like to explore Johannesburg with Melanie Murcott before their departure can make these arrangements with her directly

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