## **New Perspectives in Environmental History**



## A Northeast Environmental History Conference

Saturday, April 18, 2015 • Yale University • Burke Auditorium, Kroon Hall • 195 Prospect Street

9:30am • Opening Remarks • Paul Sabin, Yale University

9:45am • Panel 1 • THE NATURE OF NATIONS

Chair: **Paul Erickson,** Wesleyan University

Arianne Urus, New York University, "Fishing for Sovereignty: Nature and the International Order in the Newfoundland Cod Fisheries, 1713-1783" • Harry Merritt, Brown University, "Decolonizing the Landscape: Nature, Nation, and the Legacies of Soviet Rule in Latvia" • Robert Mevissen, Georgetown University, "The Danube and the Dynasty: Natural Identities in the Habsburg Monarchy"

Commentator: James McCann, Boston University

11:20am • Panel 2 • THE STRUGGLE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

Chair: Julie Gibbings, Yale University

Abigail Agresta, Yale University, "God, Humans and Nature in Late Medieval Valencia" • Larry Kessler, Temple University, "Overcoming Nature by Nature': Biological Exchange and Sugarcane, in Hawai'i and the World" • Camille Cole, Yale University, "Baghdad to Basra and Back: An Environmental History of Steam in Late Ottoman Iraq"

Commentator: Harriet Ritvo, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

## 1:45pm • Panel 3 • ANIMALS AND THE COMMONS

Chair: William Rankin, Yale University

Samuel Dolbee, New York University, "Mother Camels, A Mother's Camel, and Other Dromedary Stories from the Greater Syrian Jezireh, 1858-1939" • Erik Reardon, University of Maine, "Common Pool Resources and Competing Visions of the Public Good in Pre-Industrial New England" • Matthew Minarchek, Cornell University, "Producing a Global Rainforest: The Transnational Circulation of Sumatran Wildlife, 1900-1940" • Luke Willert, Harvard University, "Conspiracy on the Open Range: Detectives, Cattle, and Warfare in Wyoming, 1883-1892"

Commentator: **Nancy Jacobs,** Brown University

## 4:00pm • FACULTY PANEL

**Jared Farmer,** State University of New York - Stony Brook **Peter Perdue,** Yale University

Sarah Phillips, Boston University

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