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


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


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