DECOLONIZING ANIMALS
AASA Conference 2019
Ōtautahi (Christchurch), Aotearoa: July 1-4 2019
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Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi
With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive
Nau mai, haere mai!
Welcome to the biennial conference of the Australasian Animal Studies Association

Decolonizing Animals

hosted by the
New Zealand Centre for Human-Animal Studies
Te Puna Akoranga o Aotearoa mō te Tāngata me te Kararehe.

July 1 - 4 2019

and held at The Piano Centre for Music and the Arts located right in the centre of the regenerating Christchurch City.

Conference kaupapa: Colonial politics and histories have shaped, and continue to shape, the contemporary worlds of humans and other animals. Languages, societies, cultures, species, landforms, ecosystems, waterways and climates all bear the marks of human imperialism, settlement, invasion, migration, translocation, globalization, colonialism and neocolonialism. What would it mean for humans to decolonize their relationships with each other and with other species? Could we ever become decolonizing animals?

NZCHAS’ conference organizers invite all participants to join us in creating an atmosphere in which people from around the globe come together to tautoko (support) each other in our mahi (work), research, advocacy and activism.

We aim to create an inclusive meeting space emphasizing mahi tahi (collaboration), tautoko (support and advocacy), aroha (compassion, empathy and love) and āwhina (care) with respect to each other and all animal species.
Tips on Tikanga Māori (Māori customary values and practices) as they apply to this conference:

At the 2019 AASA Conference, ‘Decolonizing Animals’, we will be trying to abide by some of the values, practices and forms of etiquette (tikanga) of Māori as the indigenous culture of this country. What follows are some tips for manuhiri (visitors) regarding how to make yourself at home during the conference while showing courtesy towards the tāngata whenua (people of the land or indigenous population). Please don’t feel nervous about these: it’s easy to forget when you’re in a new place. But also, don’t be surprised, if (for example) you sit on a desk, if someone asks you not to!

It is customary for karakia to be recited before kai / food is consumed (including morning and afternoon tea). In this context, karakia will be non-religious incantations or chants. Please wait for this to occur before eating.

Knowledge is tapu or sacred in Māori culture; therefore a karakia is usually recited to open hui or gatherings where teaching and learning occur.

Food and drink (aside from water) are to be consumed outside spaces dedicated to teaching and learning (e.g. the Philip Carter Concert Hall). For the duration of the conference, we have reserved the Chamber Studio as a space in which food can be consumed, for example during lunch-time meetings.

It is not appropriate to sit on a table, bench or desk, particularly a surface associated with food preparation or eating. Also, please refrain from placing hats or sunglasses (i.e. anything that encounters one’s head) on surfaces where food is prepared or served.

References:
Some Māori kupu / words relevant to this hui (gathering):

Various equivalents for the English words 'vegan' and 'vegetarian' are available in te reo Māori (the Māori language): Kaimanga (literally 'consumer of green/leafy vegetables'), kaitipu or kapa kaiota (Team Herbivore)
Kararehe: Animal (especially quadruped)
Manu: Bird
Ika: Fish
Kaupapa: Theme or guiding principles
Mihi Whakatau: An official greeting acknowledging those present at a hui (gathering).
Pōwaiwai: A farewell speech
Whakapapa: Genealogy, lineage or ancestry
Kōrero: to speak, give a speech or tell a story
Whakatauki: a significant saying or proverb
Waiata: song, to sing
Ōtautahi: Christchurch
Aotearoa: New Zealand
Iwi: Extended kinship group, tribe, nation
Tangata whenua: Literally 'People of the land'. It can refer to a specific iwi or to Māori generally.
Pākehā: A New Zealander of European descent
Manuhiri: Visitor or guest
Koha: A gift, present or offering
Mahi: to work, do, perform, make, accomplish

Some useful phrases in te reo Māori:

Kia ora: Literally meaning ‘be well’. Used as an informal greeting and to convey thanks.
Tēnā koe: A formal greeting to one person
Kia ora koutou: An informal greeting to three or more people
Tēnā koutou: A formal greeting to three or more people
Mōrena or ata mārie: Good morning (‘Ata mārie’ literally means ‘peaceful morning’)
Ahiahi mārie: Good afternoon (literally meaning ‘peaceful afternoon’)
Pō mārie: Good evening (literally meaning ‘peaceful evening’)
Āe: Yes
Kāo: No
Aua: I don’t know
Tika: That’s correct.
Kei te pēhea koe?: How are you?
He patai taku: I have a question
Ka kite: See you soon
Haere rā: Farewell (to those leaving)
E noho rā: Farewell (to those staying)

Note: A macron (line above a vowel) in te reo Māori indicates this letter should be spoken as a long vowel. For more kupu (words) or to hear the pronunciation of words in te reo Māori (the Māori language), please refer to the Māori Dictionary: https://maoridictionary.co.nz/
KARAKIA

Karakia Tīmatanga

Kia hora te marino
Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana
Kia tere te kārohirohi
I mua i tō huarahi
May peace be widespread
May the sea glisten like greenstone
May the shimmer of light
Guide you on your way.

E tū Kahikatea

E tū kahikatea
Hei whakapae ururoa
Awhi mai, awhi atu
Tātou tātou e
Stand like the kahikatea
To brave the storms
Embrace one another
We are one together

Karakia Whakamutunga

Unuhia, unuhia
Unuhia ki te uru tapu nui
Ki te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga
Kia tina! TINA! Hui e! TĀIKI E!

Whakarongo rā

Whakarongo ake au
Ki te tangi a te manu
E rere runga rawa e
Tuia i runga
Tuia i roto
Tuia i waho
Tui, tui, tuia
Ka rongo te ao
Ka rongo te pō
Tui, tui, tuia
I listen
to the call of the bird
soaring high above
a song of binding
above
Below
Within
Without
binding and gathering
The day hears,
and the night will know
all are interwoven together

Release us from the demands of this day’s work
so we depart free in heart, body and spirit on our prepared pathway, united in the purpose of this gathering.

Draw on the supreme sacredness to clear and free the heart, the body and spirit (as we journey along) the prepared pathway.
Rongo suspended above us, (Let the learning) be fixed in place. Draw together in unity
WAIATA

**Manu Tiria**

Manu tiria, manu werohia
Ki te poho o Te Raka
Ka tau Rērere
Ka tau mai i Te Ruhi
E tau e kōia
Kōia, kōia
Ko tāraraurikī
Kī mai Māui
Ehara i te whitu, me te waru e
E tau, e kōia, kōia!

**Digging Bird**

Digging bird, planting bird
Within the chest of Te Rāka (*Māui’s father*)
Landing after a long flight
Exhausted, resting
prior to digging
Dig, dig
Here the first shoots
From Māui
Not (*to plant*) in the seventh or eighth
months (Nov/Dec)
Settle, dig!

**E Tū Kahikatea**

E tū kahikatea
Hei whakapae ururoa
Awhi mai, awhi atu
Tātou tātou e

E tū kahikatea
Kāre kau e hinga
Awhi mai, awhi atu
Tātou tātou e

E tū puriri
Toha rā o peka
Awhi mai, awhi atu
Tātou tātou e (x 2)

**Stand like the Kahikatea**

Stand like the kahikatea (tree)
To brave the storms
Embrace and receive
We are one together

Stand with vigour
You will not fall
Give and receive help
We are one together

Stand like the Puriri
And reach out your branches
Embrace and receive
We are one together
KEYNOTE AND PLENARY SPEAKERS

Amelie Björck

Paper Title: Decolonizing Readings of Literature and Art: Methodological Perspectives

Biography: Amelie Björck is a senior lecturer of Comparative Literature and Drama at Södertörn university, Sweden. Her previous animal studies research has concerned apes and monkeys in Northern European literature after Darwin. Her most recent project focuses on narrative temporality (linear/queer) as decisive for the life and agency of farmed animals in different forms of literature and art. Amelie’s book *Zooësis*, on the lives and times of farmed animals in the arts, has just been published by Glänta Produktion. In 2018 she co-founded the Ratatösökr Research Group for Literary Animal Studies at Södertörn university.

Rick De Vos

Paper Title: Sea Country, Ruling the Waves, and Histories of Fish in Uncertain Times


Kirsty Dunn

Paper Title: “Into the Dark, We Are Moths”: Reading Animals, Centering Whakapapa in Māori Writing in English

Biography: Kirsty Dunn (Te Aupouri, Te Rarawa) is a PhD candidate and creative writer based at the University of Canterbury. She completed her Master's thesis *Inherit the World, Devour the Earth: Representations of Western Meat Production and Consumption in Contemporary Fiction* at the University of Canterbury in 2015, and her doctoral thesis analyses, from a kaupapa Māori perspective, representations of animals and human-animal relationships in Māori writing in English; she has also completed research projects regarding Māori perspectives on veganism and plant-based kai and is interested in indigenous food sovereignty and food decolonization. Kirsty's creative works have been published in *Huia Short Stories 10*, *Headland Journal*, *Popshot Magazine*, and *Blackmail Press*.

Heather Fraser

Paper Title: Cross-Species Alliances and Decolonization

Biography: Heather Fraser is an Associate Professor in Social Science in the School of Public Health and Social Work at Queensland University of Technology (Brisbane). She is a critical social worker and vegan feminist who has been teaching social work students for over 25 years. Heather’s research interests, while varied, all centre on questions of privilege and oppression, and in the last seven years she has been working on projects relating to human-animal relationships and interactions. Heather has written four books, including *Neoliberalization, Universities and the Public Intellectual: Species, Gender and Class and the Production of Knowledge* (with Nik Taylor, 2016) and *Understanding Violence and Abuse: An Anti-Oppressive Practice Perspective* (with Kate Seymour, 2017).

Carol Gigliotti

Paper Title: The Creative Lives of Animals

Biography: Carol Gigliotti is an author, artist, and scholar whose work focuses on the impact of new technologies on animals and their lives. She is professor emeritus of Design and Dynamic Media at Emily Carr University of Design, Vancouver, BC. Her newest work challenges the current assumptions of creativity offering a more comprehensive understanding through recognizing animal creativity, cognition, consciousness, and agency. She is the editor of the book, *Leonardo's Choice: Genetic Technologies and Animals* and the author of numerous book chapters and journal essays on these topics. Her book *The Creative Lives of Animals* is forthcoming.
Christian Huriwai

Paper Title: Māori Perspectives on Veganism and Plant-based Kai

Biography: Christian is an animal rights and environmental activist, originally from Kaikohe but currently living in Auckland. He is a member of Auckland Vegan Actions, Auckland Animal Save and volunteers for various groups including SAFE, Anonymous for the Voiceless and others. He has experience working in Māori health, as the previous Community Youth Champion for Te Hau Ora O Ngāpuhi where he worked with youth and community groups in Kaikohe for 7 years. Christian is a previous world champion for street unicycling and when he’s not protesting, attending meetings or helping with campaigns you’ll either find him at the local skatepark or spending time with his partner and their doggy Riften.

Terry Hurtado

Paper Title: Colombia: A Sprouting Soil for Animal Rights

Biography: Terry Hurtado is a long term activist on animal rights, environmental issues, and solidarity with indigenous autonomy, based in Cali, Colombia. He holds an MSc in Holistic Science, is a board member of ICAS, and the Federación de Liberación Animal (Colombia). He is a member of the International Anti-bullfighting Network, and the Human Rights Committee of Cali. He has undertaken research on ethnomathematics and water footprints, and he is currently researching animals in warfare and peace building in the context of the Colombian conflict. He is also interested in anarchism, social ecology and deep ecology.

Witi Ihimaera

Paper Title: Sudan

Biography: Witi Ihimaera was the first Māori to publish a novel, Tangi, in 1973. His best-known novel, The Whale Rider, became an internationally acclaimed film in 2002. Today he is one of New Zealand’s leading writers with 14 novels, 7 story collections, 3 plays and 4 film adaptations to his credit. Recent awards include the Ockham Award for his memoir, Maori Boy: A Memoir of Childhood, in 2016, and for his play All Our Sons, which won six Wellington theatre awards. He was a member of the international faculty at the Banff Center, and in 2017 was awarded the New Zealand Prime Minister’s Award for Fiction and the French Order of Arts and Letters for his contribution to indigenous literature. A second volume of memoir, Native Son: The Writer’s Memoir, will be published in September 2019.

pattrice jones

Paper Title: Birds Beyond Words: Fantastic Animals and Other Flights of Imagination

Biography: pattrice jones is an ecofeminist writer, educator, and activist. She is the co-founder of VINE Sanctuary in Springfield, Vermont, an LGBTQ-run farmed animal sanctuary.


Ann-Sofie Lönnngren

Paper Title: Decolonizing Readings of Literature and Art: Methodological Perspectives

Biography: Ann-Sofie Lönnngren is an associate professor and senior lecturer in literature at Södertörn University in Stockholm, Sweden. Her research interests include Northern-European 20th century literature, literary animal studies, ethics, and queer theory. Her most recent book is Following the Animal: Power, Agency, and Human-Animal Transformations in Modern, Northern-European Literature (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2015). Since 2016 she has been an affiliated member of the New Zealand Centre for Human-Animal Studies, and in 2018 she co-founded the Ratatǫskr Research Group for Literary Animal Studies at Södertörn University.
Susan McHugh

Paper Title: Narrative Kinship Matters: Decolonizing (through) Stories of Human-Animal Relations


Philip McKibbin

Paper Title: Leading for Justice: Love, Indigeneity, and Non-Human Animals

Biography: Philip McKibbin is an independent writer of Pākehā and Māori (Ngāi Tahu) descent. He has written for the Guardian, Renegade Inc, and Takahē. He holds a Master of Arts in Philosophy from The University of Auckland, and a Diploma in Te Pīnakitanga ki te Reo Kairangi (Māori Language Excellence) from Te Wānanga o Aotearoa. He first wrote about the Politics of Love in 2015, with his friend and fellow New Zealander Max Harris, and in December 2018, they hosted “The Politics of Love: A Conference” at All Souls College, Oxford. His forthcoming book, *Love Notes: for a Politics of Love*, will be published by Lantern Books. www.philip-mckibbin.com

Lynn Mowson

Paper Title: bloodlines

Biography: Dr lynn mowson is a sculptor whose practice is driven by the entangled relationships between human and non-human animals, in particular agricultural animals and the biotech industries. Her sculptural research has been featured the books *The Art of the Animal*, Lantern Press, 2015, Carol J. Adams’ *Neither Man nor Beast*, Bloomsbury, 2018, *Animaladies*, Bloomsbury Press, 2018. She has exhibited widely in Australia, and her artwork was included in SPOM: Sexual Politics of Meat at The Animal Museum, LA, in 2017. lynn is currently Vice-Chair of the Australasian Animal Studies Association, and Research Assistant and Committee Member for the Human Rights and Animal Ethics Research Network. Further information about her artwork and research can be found at her blog: www.lynnmowson.com

Angela Singer

Paper Title: Stilled Lives

Biography: Angela Singer is an artist and animal advocate. She has explored the human-animal relationship since the mid-1990s. She is concerned with the ethical and epistemological consequences of humans using nonhuman life, and the role that humans play in the exploitation and destruction of animals and our environment. Her artwork has featured in a number of books and has been included in recent exhibitions Curious Creatures & Marvellous Monsters. Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington, NZ (2018); The Sexual Politics of Meat, The Animal Museum, Los Angeles, USA (2017); Dead Animals, or the Curious Occurrence of Taxidermy in Contemporary Art, David Winton Bell Gallery, List Art Center, Providence, Rhode Island, USA (2016).
Nik Taylor

Paper Title: Cross-Species Alliances and Decolonization

Biography: Nik Taylor is a critical and public sociologist whose research focuses on mechanisms of power and marginalisation expressed in/through human relations with other species and is informed by critical/intersectional feminism. Nik currently teaches topics in the Human Services and Social Work program at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand, that focus on human-animal violence links; scholar-advocacy; social change, and crime and deviance, particularly domestic violence and animal abuse. Nik’s latest books include Companion Animals and Domestic Violence: Rescuing You, Rescuing Me (Palgrave, 2019, with Heather Fraser) and Ethnography after Humanism Power, Politics and Method in Multi-Species Research (Palgrave 2017, with Lindsay Hamilton).

Gerardo Tristan

Paper Title: El Molcajete Food Truck Project: Decolonizing the Mexican Diet; plus a Demonstration of Traditional Cooking

Biography: Gerardo Tristan/Wotko, is a Nahuatl, antispeciesist, queer activist and community organizer from Monterrey, Mexico with over 30 years of experience working on a wide range of social issues such as indigenous/lgbtq/animal rights and food justice. From working as a coordinator of an international students group volunteering in the mountains of central Mexico helping indigenous coffee cooperatives in the summer of 2002 to being a collaborator at the Zapatista (EZLN) peace talk process during the spring of 1994, Gerardo has always been involved in vital issues in his country. In the fall of 2015 Gerardo founded Faunaccion in CDMX. The group’s mission is to empower activists and agents of change by providing them with education and relevant tools for their activism and to work with Mexican Institutions. Currently he is working on two food justice projects: El Molcajete, Faunaccion’s food education program on wheels in Central Mexico and The Chestnut Tree Reclamation Project in TN, USA. Gerardo is married to scholar/musician Craig Womack. They live in Atlanta, GA with their furry rescued babies, Colawa and Emiliano.

Kevin White

Paper Title: Engaging and Enraging in the Anthropocene: An Indigenous Perspective

Biography: Kevin J. White (Mohawk) is an Associate Professor, and the Director of the Native American and American Studies Programs, at the State University of New York College at Oswego. White’s research interests include the Haudenosaunee Creation narratives, traditional Indigenous epistemologies and methodologies, particularly of Haudenosaunee culture. White has recently published in AlterNative journal an article titled: ‘Adoptions, Incorporation, and a sense of Citizenship and Belonging in Indigenous Nations and Cultures: A Haudenosaunee Perspective’. White has also participated in Being Human in the Age of Humans: Perspectives from Religion and Ethics project; a collaboration of the University of Michigan, University of Indianapolis, and Notre Dame University on the Anthropocene.
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‘“Crabs were already in [her] mouth”: a study of queer indigenous affective writing and the natural world’ | Cressida Wilson  
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| Marie-Helene Wichmann  
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| Paula Arcari  
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4:00-4:30 | **Karakia & paramanawa (afternoon tea)** |

4:30-6:00 | **Keynote session: Animal Activism And Food Justice In Colombia And Mexico (Auditorium)**<br>Terry Hurtado, ‘Colombia: a sprouting soil for animal rights’<br>Gerardo Tristan, ‘A personal account of intersectional activism in Mexico and the USA; plus a demonstration of traditional cooking’
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Kevin White, ‘Engaging and enraging in the Anthropocene: an Indigenous perspective’  
Katarina Gray-Sharp, ‘Mass extinction and responsibility’  
Philp McKibbin, ‘Leading for justice: love, indigeneity, and non-human animals’ |
| 10:30-11:00| **Karakia & paramanawa**                                                |
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  - "The revolutionary decolonization of White God (Kornél Mundruczó, 2014)"
- **Daniel Bedggood***
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- **Lynley Tulloch***
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- **Piers Locke***
  - "Humans, animals, and the possibilities of interdisciplinary integration in an age of crisis"
- **Rowena Lennox***
  - "Dingoes and objectivity in and out of the realm of science"

- **Hannah Taylor**
  - "Intersectionality in American Horror Story: Freak Show"
- **Brett Mizelle**
  - "Decolonizing and feminizing the Western in Lisa Hanawalt’s graphic novel Coyote Doggirl"
- **Emily Major**
  - "Milking to Death: How Planned Obsolescence (De)Values Animal Bodies and Their Right To Life at Canadian Dairy Farms"
- **WhiteFeather Hunter**
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- **Jeannette Vaught**
  - "A horse semen container walks into an airport: U.S. international biological shipping regulations and the colonial legacies of governing equine STIs"

- **Tomoko Shimizu**
  - "War and animals: Wait Disney’s Pinocchio, Dumbo and Bambi"
- **Malgorzata Poks**
  - "Animal sovereignty beyond the colonial politics of recognition in Linda Hogan's novels"
- **Chevy Rendell**
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- **Naomi Stekelenburg**
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  - "Dog is not alone from humans": Indigenous perspectives on inter-species relations and rabies prevention in Northern Australia

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  - "Colonial industries of domination and their violence-producing simulations"
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  - "Dialectics and decolonizing animal knowledge"
- **Thorsten Kluss and Marie-Helen Wichmann**
  - ‘Interfaces: novel approaches to bridge the gap between species’

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**4:00-4:30 Karakia & paramanawa (afternoon tea)**

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### 6:10-7:15 Plenary roundtable: ‘He kōrero: Māori perspectives on veganism and plant-based kai’ (Concert Hall)

Kirsty Dunn, Philip McKibbin, and Christian Huriwai, ‘He kōrero: Māori perspectives on veganism and plant-based kai’
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