

Dear EHN Members,

I hope this finds you and your loved ones well and healthy.

Happy 2021! Hopefully it will be a year of change and wellbeing, or at least more so than 2020.

See below links to new publications, call for papers and other opportunities:

**New publications, blogposts, reading lists and databases:**

- Find [here](#) a link to a very exciting new journal publication authored by our very own Hendrik Vollmer, entitled “Public value and the Planet: Accounting in Ecological Reconstitution”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Ruins of the Anthropocene: The Aesthetics of Arctic Climate Change”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Holocene climatic events in Iran”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Topic Modelling the News Media Representation of Climate Change”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “An Ecology of Time Traces in *Extinction Events and Dawn Chorus*”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Wind Extraction? Gifts, Reciprocity, and Renewability in Colombia’s Energy Frontier”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Climate and Clean Energy to Take Center Stage”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Eco-Activism: Youth and Climate Justice in South Africa”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Drilling for the Future: Gendered Justifications of the Arctic Fossil Fuel Industry”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Indigenous Weather Understanding in Japanese Fishing Communities”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “The Rise of Indigenous (Pluri-)Nationalism: The Case of the Sámi People”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Changing Climate Risk in the UK: A Multi-Sectoral Analysis using Policy-Relevant Indicators”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Contemporary Cli-Fi and Indigenous Futurisms”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Scaling the Necropolitical Anthropocene”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Mapping Pathways for an Indigenous Poetry Pedagogy: Performance, Emergence and Decolonisation”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Climate warming and the loss of sea ice: the impact of sea-ice variability on the southeastern Bering Sea pelagic ecosystem”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “The Implications of Future Climate Change on the Blue Water Footprint of Hydropower in the Contiguous US”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “The Benefit of Focusing on Air Pollution Instead of Climate Change: How Discussing Power Plant Emissions in the Context of Air Pollution, Rather than Climate Change, Influences Perceived Benefits, Costs, and Political Action for Policies to Limit Emissions”.

- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Towards a Postcolonial Perspective on Climate Urbanism”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Fish and Fisheries of the Eastern Coast of Mexico, with Emphasis on Coral Reef Species”.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new journal publication entitled “Solving Problems like Maria: A Case Study and Review of Collaborative Hurricane-Resilient Solar Energy and Autogestión in Puerto Rico”.
- Find [here](#) a link to the recently published *The Handbook of Displacement*.
- Find [here](#) a link to the recently published *Routledge Handbook of African Media and Communication Studies*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Religion, Sustainability, and Place: Moral Geographies of the Anthropocene*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Decolonial Feminisms, Power and Place: Sentipensando with Rural Women in Colombia*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *The Caribbean Blue Economy*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Transcultural Ecocriticism: Global, Romantic and Decolonial Perspectives*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Climate Resilient Urban Areas: Governance, Design and Development in Coastal Delta Cities*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Hydrogen & Fuel Cells: Advances in Transportation and Power: Advances in Transportation and Power*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Monsters, Catastrophes and the Anthropocene: A Postcolonial Critique*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Climate Change, Ecological Catastrophe, and the Contemporary Postcolonial Novel*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Mineral Mining in Africa: Legal and Fiscal Regimes*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Climate Realism: The Aesthetics of Weather and Atmosphere in the Anthropocene*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *Forces of Production, Climate Change and Canadian Fossil Capitalism*.
- Find [here](#) a link to a new publication entitled *The Outlook for Oceans, Seas and Marine Resources in Latin America and the Caribbean Conservation: Sustainable Development and Climate Change Mitigation*.

#### **Online talks, webinars, workshops, podcasts and network:**

- Find [here](#) a link to the recording of the SEI “Inaugural Postdoctoral Fellowship Lecture: An Encrusting Ocean” which took place on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020.
- Find [here](#) a link for a conference on the role of social sciences and humanities in delivering European Green Deal. It will present results of a [H2020 Energy-SHIFTS](#) project, taking place on 19 January 2021, 10:00-13:00 CET. Feel free to disseminate this invitation further.
- Find [here](#) a link to register for a talk to be delivered by Dr Paul Apostolidis (LSE) entitled “Racialized Precarity and the Coordinates of Class: Time, Technology and Working Bodies” organised by the [Seminar in Contemporary Marxist Theory](#), taking place on Wednesday 20 January 2021, 4pm GMT.
- Find [here](#) a link to the SEI “2021 Iain McCalman Lecture” registration page on “Shallow and Deep Collaboration: Art, Ecology and Alexander von Humboldt” taking place on 3 February 202 6-7.30pm AEDT.

- Find [here](#) a link to the Greenhouse Environmental Humanities Book Talks upcoming programme as well as recorded past talks.

**Call for papers, applications and interests:**

- Find [here](#) a link to a call for applications to the Sapienza Summer School: “The Cultural Heritage and Memory of Totalitarianism” in Rome, 14-15 June 2021, application deadline is 1 February 2021.
- Find [here](#) attached a cfp for a Journal Special Issue on Animality and Textuality, deadline for submission is 30 March 2021.
- Find [here](#) attached the latest EASLCE Newsletter containing a number of cfp and announcements.
- Find [here](#) a link to a cfp on the theme of “Comparative Literature: Envisioning the Future” for publication with the journal *RUNAS*, deadline for submission is 31 May 2021.

**Funding and work and other opportunities:**

- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Director of the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment at LSE.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Postdoctoral Research Associate / Fellow in Finance Biodiversity at the University of Exeter.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Postdoctoral Research Associate / Fellow in Biodiversity Economics at the University of Exeter.
- Find [here](#) a link to PhD Fellowships in the Wellcome Centre for Cultures and Environments of Health at the University of Exeter.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Research Fellow in Galaxy Dynamics at the University of St Andrews.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Research Fellow in Structural Biology/Biophysics at the University of Leeds.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Research Fellow in Creative and Gender-Transformative Climate Action in Myanmar at the University of Leeds.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant Professor in Ecology at Durham University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant Professor in Ecology/Evolutionary Biology at Durham University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Professor/Associate Professor in Plant Molecular Biology at Durham University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant Professor in Environmental Philosophy at Durham University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Department of Earth Sciences at Durham University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Sustainable Energy Engineering at the University of Lincoln.
- Find [here](#) a link to Research Scholarships in Human Geography at Swansea University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Geospatial Public Health at the University of Edinburgh.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Senior Researcher in Climate Finance at the International Institute for Environment and Development.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Departmental Lecturer and Course Director for the MSc in Nature, Society and Environmental Governance at the University of Oxford.

- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Post-Doctoral Research Associate on the project “Economics of Energy Innovation and System Transition” at the University of Cambridge.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Post-Doctoral Research Associate in the Department of Geography and Environmental Sciences at Northumbria University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Lecturer in Food Safety/Food Innovation at the University of Greenwich.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Senior Lecturer or Reader (Associate Professor) in Sustainability at Cranfield University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position for a three-year assistant professorship in Landscape organisation and the spatial dynamics of late prehistoric grazing regimes at the University of Aarhus.
- Find [here](#) a link to a Postdoctoral fellow position in Food Inspector developing tools for food label authentication at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Graduate teaching & research assistant in Environment and Sustainable Development at the University of Antwerp.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Graduate teaching & research assistant in Green City Bonds and Sustainable Development at the University of Antwerp.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Graduate teaching & research assistant Global Governance and Inclusive Development at the University of Antwerp.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant/Associate Professorship in Hydrogeology at the University of Basel.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant Professor of Environmental Justice and GIS, Tenure Track at California State University, San Bernardino.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Postdoctoral Fellow in International Development at the University of Notre Dame.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Mitchell Center/SNF Paideia Program Postdoctoral Fellowship 2021-2022 at the University of Pennsylvania.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Assistant Professor in Environmental Studies/Human Geography at Athabasca University.
- Find [here](#) a link to a position as Mellon Sawyer Postdoctoral Scholar in Race, Precarity, and Privilege: Migration in a Global Context at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Have a lovely day and week.

All the best,

Giulia

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CALL FOR PAPERS

**Word and Text: A Journal of Literary Studies and Linguistics**

*special issue*

**Animality and Textuality**

Guest editor: Rodolfo Piskorski

In “But as for me, who am I (following)?”, the second section of *The Animal That Therefore I Am*, Jacques Derrida contextualises his interest in a certain passage in Plato’s *Phaedrus* as a systematic interest in what he calls “the animality of writing”. Derrida diagnoses in the traditional anthropocentric opposition between the (human) ability to respond and mere animal reaction an echo of the ancient denunciations of writing as language that cannot reply back – opaque and mindless. In fact, as he demonstrates in *Of Grammatology* and elsewhere, the histories of the condemnation of writing and of the devaluation of animality are intertwined and feed off each other. Both are characterised as a deviation from the source of truth – speech and/or the soul – carried out by a certain *embodiment*.

In the current state of the increasingly institutionalised field of Animal Studies, the same opaqueness that was held against both animality and writing has been defended as a productive nexus in which to think about animals and their relationship to text. For example, Anat Pick’s concept of the *creaturely*, characterised by its focus on embodiment, has proved influential in conceptualising both animal and human being. Thus, what had been a tool of oppression against animality – bodiliness – ironically becomes, in a process of reversal, a rallying point for animal liberation and for animal-centric literary criticism. This reversal can be diagnosed as a contributing factor to a certain “counter-linguistic turn” that, in literary studies, critical theory, and philosophy, has seen a turn towards concepts of life, affect, matter, bodies, nature, and the sciences.

Nevertheless, many authors have resisted this anti-textual turn, even when they grapple with the same issues. Sarah Boutier, for example, argues that texts themselves can be thought as creaturely as well, since their referentiality is marked by their “being embodied and finite at the same time”. This focus on textuality as something inherently animal has also been suggested by Susan McHugh, and Kári Driscoll, among others. Christopher Peterson and Claire Colebrook have also articulated a defence of ‘textualist’ approaches for posthumanist projects against some critics’ facile denunciations.

Set in the context of this methodological debate concerning the animal, this issue will look into the relevance of textuality for Animal Studies. Taking into account both a reappraisal of the traditional linguistic turn for the sake of “creaturely texts” and a retooling of current innovations in posthumanist scholarship for textual purposes, the issue will enquire into the tension between body and text as it pertains to literary scholarship concerning animality. Within the larger scope of posthumanist thought and scholarship, have ‘textual’ approaches proved obsolete by dint of the their excessively ‘humanist’ impulses? Or have refutations of post-structuralism been too reductive in their understanding of the text and its supposed others, such as the animal and matter?

We invite contributions related, but not limited to, the following:

- Derrida, deconstruction, and “zoogrammatology”
- Creaturely poetics
- Animal and human embodiment
- Bodily vulnerability and finitude

- Zoopoetics: literature ‘about’ animals or literature as ‘always already’ animal
- Writing, mimesis, and (representations of) animality
- Philosophies of language and representations of the non-human world
- Poetry, poetics, formalism, and the body of the text
- Materialism(s) and textuality
- Deconstructive approaches to mind/body value reversals
- The history, methods, and legacy of the *Humanities*
- The future and methods of the *Post-Humanities*
- The linguistic and counter-linguistic turns
- The animal turn as part of the counter-linguistic turn
- Biodeconstruction
- Literary theories of textuality (in relation to animality)

We welcome interdisciplinary approaches, ranging across critical theory, literary and cultural studies, linguistics, as well as other disciplines in the humanities and the sciences. Contributors are advised to follow the journal’s submission guidelines and stylesheet, which can be downloaded from the journal’s website at <http://jisl.upg-ploiesti.ro/>. The deadline for abstract submission is March 30, 2021. Please send 500-word proposals to the journal editors, who will answer any queries you may have. Articles selected for publication must be submitted by April 30, 2021. All submitted articles will be blind-refereed except when invited. Accepted articles will be returned for post-review revisions by June 30, 2021 and will be expected back in their final version by September 30, 2021 at the latest.

Proposals and articles should be sent as attachments to the journal’s editors ([anionescu@sjtu.edu.cn](mailto:anionescu@sjtu.edu.cn) or [milesi@sjtu.edu.cn](mailto:milesi@sjtu.edu.cn)) as well as to this special issue’s guest editor ([PiskorskiR@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:PiskorskiR@cardiff.ac.uk)).