

Deutsches Museum



ARTEFACTS XIX

Environing Exhibits:

Science, Technology, and Museums in the Anthropocene

Deutsches Museum, Munich

in collaboration with the Rachel Carson Center (RCC), Munich

October 26 – 28, 2014

SUNDAY, October 26

3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.	Registration
3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.	Tour of the temporary exhibition in preparation “Welcome to the Anthropocene: The Earth in Our Hands”
5:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.	Discussion with curators of “Welcome to the Anthropocene”
7 p.m.	Dinner at the restaurant “Wirtshaus Mühlbacher” (Mariahilfplatz 4)

MONDAY, October 27

9:10 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introduction Helmuth Trischler (Deutsches Museum / RCC, Munich)
Session 1: 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Collecting the Anthropocene Alexandra L. Johnson (Science Museum, London): <i>James Lovelock: A “Small-scale, Hands-on Person” Takes a New Look at Life on Earth</i> Ad Maas (Museum Boerhaave, Leiden): <i>The Story of the Sniffer Pole: How an Air Pollution Monitor Became a Symbol</i> Discussion
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Coffee Break

Session 2:
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Materiality of the Anthropocene

Andrew Johnston (Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Washington DC):

Urban Forests in the Age of Humans: Collecting Observations of Human-built-environments and Their Dynamic Impacts

Emily Brock (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin / RCC, Munich): *Chris-Craft's "All-Mahogany Motor Boats", Tropical Trees, and the Power of a Name*

Discussion

1:00 p.m.-2:15 p.m.

Lunch in the Deutsches Museum's Restaurant

Session 3:
2:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

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Margrit Wettstein (Nobel Museum, Stockholm):

How to Display Research on Ozone Depletion and the Researchers behind It?

Thomas Söderqvist (Medical Museion, Copenhagen):

Humanism, Modernity, or Anthropocene? What are the Implications for Curatorial Practices?

Discussion

3:45 p.m.-4:15 p.m.

Coffee Break

Session 4:
4:15 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

Sensing Landscapes

Jody Roberts (Chemical Heritage Foundation, Philadelphia) and Delia Hannah (Arizona State University, Phoenix):

Sensing the Anthropocene

Bryan Dewalt (Canada Science and Technology Museum, Ottawa):

Canoes in the Wilderness: Artefacts of the Films of Bill Mason

Discussion

TUESDAY, October 28

Session 5:

9:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.

Artefacts of the Anthropocene

Frank Dittmann (Deutsches Museum, Munich):

Frank Shuman and the Early Use of Solar Energy

Carlene E. Stephens (Smithsonian Museum of American History, Washington DC):

Time Machines and Timescales: Traversing Attoseconds and Deep Time

Gloria Chan-Sook Kim (University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee):

Managing the Microbiome: The Automated Antibacterial Hand Sanitizing Dispenser and the Ecologies of Emerging Infections

Discussion

11:05 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Coffee Break

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 a.m.

Environing Exhibits – The Role of Museums in the Anthropocene

Round up-input by Ruth Oldenziel (Technical University of Eindhoven, Eindhoven / RCC, Munich)

Concluding Discussion

12.15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Round-robin: What's new in Artefacts-Museums?