

Anthrozoology as International Practice: A Student Conference in Human-Animal Studies

11-12 November 2022, Online



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Hosted by the [Exeter Anthrozoology as Symbiotic Ethics](#) (EASE) working group, this event is scheduled to take place virtually **11-12 November 2022**. We welcome presentations from students with a variety of educational experience and early career researchers in anthrozoology and related fields (such as human-animal studies, natural sciences, or philosophy).

[This conference](#) aims to spotlight research being undertaken by students around the world, in the hopes of building a global support network of like minded individuals.

Senior academics and professionals are very welcome to attend, providing they understand this is a student conference and frame any questions or feedback in a nurturing and constructive manner.

Please consider supporting your students and/or making contact with the next generation of aspiring anthrozoologists!

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Programme

Friday 11 November 2022 (10:50-19:15) GMT/UTC +00

Introduction and welcome
Friday, 10:50-11:00 (GMT/UTC)

Session 1: Morethanhuman communities		
Friday, 11:00-12:15 (GMT/UTC)		
Anna Stefani Sietou PhD Candidate, Harokopio University of Athens, Greece	Governmental and Non-Governmental Organization involvement in the stray companion animal overpopulation management in Greece.	15-min QnA
Sindhoor Pangal MA (Anthrozoology) student, Exeter University, UK	Has citizen-care of free-living dogs been explored as means for rabies-eradication in India?	15-min QnA
Audra Farrell MS (Shelter Medicine) student, University of Florida, USA	Humans feeding free-roaming cats without offering other care/services.	5-min QnA
S. Ramya M.Ed Scholar, V.O.C.College of Education, Tuticorin, India	Health Hazards of the Human-Nature Relationship.	5-min QnA
S. Rajalakshmi M.Ed Scholar, V.O.C. College of Education, Thoothukudi	Anticipation of animals as consuming constitutional rights.	5-min QnA

Coffee break

Session 2: Grief, witnessing, and welfare		
Friday, 12:25-13:40 (GMT/UTC)		
Irene Perrett MA (Anthrozoology) graduate (2022), Exeter University, UK	Is witnessing enough? Considering impacts and entanglements when bearing witness with other-than-human animals.	15-min QnA

Steve Daniels MA (Anthrozoology) graduate (2022), Exeter University, UK	The Management of Grief and Mourning in Zoological Housed Primates: “Are there opportunities for Zoological collections to meet both the needs of grieving non – human primates and those of the visiting public?”	15-min QnA
Ayisha Rushda MS graduate (2021), Gitam University, India	Understanding Companion Animal Bereavement within the Indian context.	5-min QnA
Natasha Matsuert MA (Anthrozoology) student, Exeter University, UK	Remembering ‘Roadkill’: Perspectives on Nonhuman Road Casualties by Ghost Bike Activists	5-min QnA
G. Sujitha M.Ed Scholar, V.O.C. College of Education, Thoothukudi	Animal welfare and social media.	5-min QnA

Lunch (or dinner or breakfast!) break

Session 3: Keynote	
Friday, 14:15-15:15 (GMT/UTC)	
Professor Samantha Hurn Director of Exeter Anthrozoology as Symbiotic Ethics (EASE) Director of the Anthrozoology MA and PhD programmes at Exeter University, UK	

Coffee break

Session 4: Animals, knowledge, and politics		
Friday, 15:20-16:35 (GMT/UTC)		
Amanda Coate PhD Candidate, Stanford University, USA	An Elephant in Dublin: Animals and Knowledge in the Late Seventeenth Century.	15-min QnA
Victoria Mitchell MA (Anthrozoology) student, Exeter University, UK	From Baaa to Ballot - Putting Animals into (local) Politics.	15-min QnA
Max Pospisil PhD Candidate, University of Saskatchewan, Canada	Atik across Canada: Cree perspectives of "caribou".	15-min QnA

Coffee break

Session 5: Ways of doing anthrozoology and the future of the field		
Friday, 16:50-17:50 (GMT/UTC)		
A panel discussion on doing anthrozoology (or related) research degrees and applying research outside of academia. Followed by a roundtable discussion on the future of the field (aimed at including early-career voices). Come prepared to think about some of these questions: • What do you think are the most important questions to address in anthrozoological research? • What advice or guidance would you give/like to receive regarding pursuing a research degree in anthrozoology or a related field? • Is academia the only way to do meaningful research? • How would you like the field of anthrozoology to be defined in the future?		

Coffee break

Session 6: Wild animals and wildlife		
Friday, 18:00-19:10 (GMT/UTC)		
Oscar Courchaine MS (Anthrozoology) student, Canisius College, USA	Ethics of Predation in Programs of Rewilding.	15-min QnA
Jami Reimer MFA (Fine Arts) student, Simon Fraser University, Canada	Biologists singing: Speculative bioacoustics, interspecies audibility, and the posthuman choir.	15-min QnA
Dominique P. Augustin MS (Anthrozoology) graduate (2022) Canisius College, USA	Speciesism in the zoo.	5-min QnA
Alexander Rhodes Undergraduate, Beacon College, USA	The Effects of Tourism on Coral Reefs.	5-min QnA

Saturday 12 November 2022 (10:50-18:20)

Introduction and welcome back!
Saturday, 10:50-11:00 (GMT/UTC)

Session 7: Interspecies relationships and coexistence		
Saturday, 11:00-12:15 (GMT/UTC)		
Julia SL Henning PhD Candidate, University of Adelaide, Australia	Factors associated with play behaviour in human-cat dyads.	15-min QnA
Tim Stafford MA (Anthrozoology) graduate (2022), Exeter University	Partner, Companion, Servant, or Tool? Exploring the Inter-species Relationship between People with a Vision Impairment and their Guide Dogs.	15-min QnA
Deepak Bhat Dundi PhD graduate (2022), University of Roehampton, UK	Living with the wildlife in a time of human-wildlife conflict: A case from Western Ghats, South India.	15-min QnA

Coffee break

Session 8: Health and being in animal interventions		
Saturday, 12:20-13:35 (GMT/UTC)		
Louise Hayward PhD candidate, EASE, Exeter University, UK	Wagging the compassionate tail: Highlighting the interests of the individual in wildlife research.	15-min QnA
Deniz Diler MA (Sociology) graduate (2022), Bogazici University, Turkey	The “Poultry” Industry, Avian Influenza and the Inadequacy of an Anthropocentric One-Health Approach.	15-min QnA
Annika Barzen PhD Candidate, University of Cologne, Germany	Effects of equine-assisted interventions on children's mental health.	15-min QnA

Lunch (or dinner or breakfast!) break

Session: 9 Poster Viewing		
Saturday, 14:10-14:30 (GMT/UTC)		
Anna Baatz PhD candidate, University of Salford, UK	The Trouble with a Cuddle: Experiences from care givers of interactions involving close physical contact between children aged 7-11 and the family dog	15-min QnA
Vicki Newton MS graduate (2022), University of Edinburgh, UK	Communicating equine health and welfare concepts with young people - do influencers influence?	15-min QnA
Sarah Helmbrecht MEM (Environmental Management) graduate (2010), Duke University, USA	Towards a functional synthesis of wildlife welfare and conservation: Integrating wildlife rehabilitation with compassionate conservation	15-min QnA

Coffee break

Session 10: Children, animals, and cruelty		
Saturday, 14:40-15:55 (GMT/UTC)		
Lynda M Korimboccus PhD Candidate, University of East Anglia, UK	Speciesism as Curated Choice: What Libraries Teach Children About Animals.	15-min QnA
Riley M. Fisher MS student, University of Winchester, Canada	The Meat Paradox: Uncovering the Psychology Behind Meat-Eaters and Vegetarians.	15-min QnA
Diane Karagienakos MA (Anthrozoology) graduate (2019), Exeter University, UK	Childhood cruelty toward animals, and the impact of a human education reading program on children's attitudes towards the mistreatment of animals.	15-min QnA

Coffee: Break

Session 11: Liminality, identity, and compassion		
Saturday, 16:00-17:15 (GMT/UTC)		
Molly Sumridge PhD candidate, EASE, Exeter University, UK	Studying Liminal Identities - Developing a multimodal approach to explore the lives of New Guinea singing dogs living as companion animals.	15-min QnA

Brynn Shewman MS (Anthrozoology) student, Canisius College, USA	Pit Bull Type Dogs and Dog Fighting Rings.	15-min QnA
Lexy Ritenburgh MS (Anthrozoology) student, Canisius College, USA	Compassion Fatigue Risk Factors in Animal Shelter Employees.	15-min QnA

Coffee break

Session 12: Closing address and Prize-giving	
Saturday, 17:20-18:20 (GMT/UTC)	
Award	Katie Adamson Conservation Fund (KACF) is a Denver (Colorado) based non-profit active in 22 countries. This fund helps endangered animals through the financial support of local researchers, anti-poaching groups, human-wildlife conflict resolution efforts, sustainable development projects, conservationists, and other agencies. They also sponsor educational and professional sharing of information by promoting global conservation and veterinary relationships. The AIP2022 KACF prize will be awarded for the category ‘most novel examination of human-wildlife relationships or relationships in conservation practice’ and will be open to all presenters who have recently completed their master’s degree (within one year), are about to complete their master’s degree (within six months) or are in their first year of their PhD. Judges will also consider how well the presentation fits the conference theme of symbiotic ethics.
Award	Fanimal’s Fellowship Program is designed for post-grads to develop skills in non-profit management, networking, WordPress, marketing, social media, research, education and outreach, event planning and management, content development, and visual design. Fellows will also receive a stipend to attend a conference (up to \$500). The AIP2022 Fanimal Prize will be awarded to the ‘most progressive post graduate exploration of symbiotic human-animal relations’ and will be open to all presenters who are within the five years after completion of their undergraduate studies or are currently enrolled in an MA or MSc program (and not currently studying for a PhD).
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