

Ecological Spiritualities

April 27-30, 2022

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2022

| TIME | RECORDING LINK | TYPE | PRESENTER | TITLE |
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| 9:30-11AM | Sperry Plenary | Panel Session Hybrid Format PANEL TITLE: "The Earth is Our Mother: Contemporary Paganisms and Environmentalism" | Berger, Helen Parmigiani, Giovanna Taylor, Bron Davy, Barbara Jane | "The Environmentalism of the Alt Right: Blood, Soil, and the Spirits of the Land" "Ulía: Neo-animism and political activism in Salento (Southern Italy)" "Bounding Paganism: Who and what is in and out? And what can this reveal about the cultural traction of such contemporary nature religion?" "Negotiating ecological habitus in inclusive Heathenry" |
| 11AM-NOON | No Link Available. In-Person Only. | Featured Workshop | Ford, Claudia | "Emerging Spirituality for the Philiacene: Writing Practices for a Wounded Planet" |
| | James East | Featured Workshop Remote Only | Allison, Elizabeth | "Contemplative Practice for Climate Resilient Educators and Activists" |
| | No Link Available. In-Person Only. | Featured Workshop | Gould, Rebecca Kneale | "Honoring Grief, Cultivating Love: The Practice of Chant as a Path of Connection" |
| 1-2 PM | Sperry Plenary | Introductory Plenary Panel Session Hybrid Format PANEL: "Scholarship and Spiritual Practice in Troubled Times" | Ford, Claudia Allison, Elizabeth Gould, Rebecca Kneale | "Emerging Spirituality for the Philiacene: Writing Practices for a Wounded Planet" "Contemplative Practice for Climate Resilient Educators and Activists" "Honoring Grief, Cultivating Love: The Practice of Chant as a Path of Connection" |



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| 2:45–5:30 PM | Sperry Plenary | Opening Plenary Paper Session Hybrid Format | Greer, J. Christian | “Psychedelic Pasts & Fascist Futures: The Secret History of the Deep Ecology Movement” |
| | | | Seely, Christina | “Next of Kin: The Role of Contemporary Art in Evolving Ecological Spiritualities” |
| | | | Montalvo, Marcelo Garzo | “Tlalocantecuhtli-Chalchihuitlicue: Ceremonial Dance as (Agro-)Ecology and Watershed Consciousness” |
| | | | Camara, Bintou | “Nalu Spiritual Revival in Guinea” |
| 7–8:15 PM | Plenary | Performance In-person with Remote Viewing Available | Yampolsky, Sofya | “Tierra Encantada: Enchanted Earth, Enchanted Body in New Mexican Flamenco” |
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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Garcia, Ashley | “Vegetarianism and Socialist Spiritualities in the Long Nineteenth-Century” |
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THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2022

| TIME | LOCATION | TYPE | PRESENTER | TITLE |
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| 9–11:30 AM | Sperry | Paper Session | Mathiassen, Silje Trym | “Sacred Plants – Spiritual Experiences: Ritual Practices with Entheogenic Plants” |
| | | | Gebara, Maria Fernanda | “From Crisis to Cosmos: The Role of Amazonian Plant Medicine in Changing our Ecological Damaging Attitudes” |
| | | | Schunemann, Mark Juhan | “Replanting Christ: A Theological Comparison of the Native American Church and hte Santo Daime” |
| 9-11:30AM | To view or download session video, please email, PES@HDS.harvard.edu . | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Nono, Grace | “The Mountain and the Healer: An Ethnography of Human and Nonhuman Relations” |
| | | | Das, Ritupurna | “The God of All Things” |
| | | | Agrawal, Rashi Upadhyay, Shradha | “From Ecological Awareness to Being Ecology: Integrative Approaches to Environmental Activism Aided by Contemplative Practices” |
| | | | Mallick, Ata | “The Concept of Nature, Ecology, and the Santal Tribe” |
| 10:30–11:30 AM | Due to technical difficulties, there is no link available. We apologize for the inconvenience. | Panel Session Remote Format In-Person Viewing Available | Denley, Elizabeth Desvigne, Alain | “Heartfulness Practices for Regenerative Development” |
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| 10:30–11:30 AM | No Link Available. In-Person Only. | Featured Workshop | Gould, Rebecca Kneale | “Honoring Grief, Cultivating Love: The Practice of Chant as a Path of Connection” |
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| 11:30 AM–12:30 PM | Sperry | Workshop Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Chakour, Vanessa Ó Broin, Ádhamh | “Reclaiming Scottish Gaelic Cosmology is Environmental Activism” |
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| | At presenter’s request, this presentation was not recorded. | Workshop Session Remote with In-Person Viewing Available | Angeli, Maria A | “The Five Elements in ‘Unity Singing & Circle Dance’ Practices: Living & Celebrating Ecological Spirituality” |
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| 11:30 AM–1:30 PM | James East | Panel Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Newton, Deja | “The History of Eco-Facism and Its Spirituality” |
| | | | El-Mecky, Nausikaä | “The Self-Contradictory ‘Mystical’ Aesthetics of Eco-Fascism” |
| | | PANEL TITLE: “The Mysticism of Eco-Fascism” | Zabala, Santiago | “The Mysticism of Eco-Fascism: Eco-Facism’s Global Return to Order” |
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| 12:30–1:30 PM | No Link Available. In-Person Only. | Workshop Session | Harvard Divinity School Ecotheology Spring 2021 Students | Interspecies Relationships Sound Bath |
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| | Swartz 125 | Workshop Session Remote with In-Person Viewing Available | Moreno-Velo, Lucia Box, Gwyneth | “Prayer Writing for the Modern World” |
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| 1:30–3:30 PM | Sperry | Performance and Panel Session Hybrid Format | Anthony, Carl C. Holmes, Brandon P. Pavel, Paloma M. | PANEL TITLE: “The Universe Story: Climate Justice and the Next Generation” |
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| | James West | Paper Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Boudell, Jere A. | “Sacred Botany, Sacred Grief: Plants as Conduits of Hope and Sorrow in Modern Paganism” |
| | | | Schwien, Natalia | “The Plant Delighteth: Plant Personhood in the Study of Western Esotericism” |
| | | | Kariko, Sarah | “Wisdom of the Web: Reflections from Studying Spiders and Exploring our Interconnectedness” |
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| | Swartz 125 | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Forchu, Ijeoma | “The Changing Religious Pattern: Musical Supplications to the Earth Goddess” |
| | | | Bernard, Oluwabunmi Tope | “Representations of Climate Change and Environmental Issues in Selected Yorùbá Sacred Orature Forms” |
| | James East | Panel Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available PANEL TITLE: “Back to Blood: Pursuing a Future from the Norse Past” | Gregorius, Fredrik | “The Landscape of the gods: Negotiating the role of place and meaning at Old Uppsala” |
| | | | Skjoldli, Jane | “Virtual Gods of Nature? Spiritual ecology in Hellblade: Senua’s Sacrifice and Assassin’s Creed: Valhalla” |
| | | | Thykier Makeeff, Tao | “How Modern Practitioners of Viking Martial Arts Engage with Nature “ |
| 3:45–5:15 PM | Sperry | Panel Session Hybrid Format PANEL TITLE: “Being Pagan; Being of the Land: Ecospirituality and Earth-Based Activities among Contemporary Pagans” | Tully, Caroline | “Paradise on Earth: Feraferia and the Landscapes of the Mind” |
| | | | Pike, Sarah M. | “Weave of Reverence: Ritualizing Ecological Practice at Pagan Nature Sanctuaries” |
| | | | Magliocco, Sabina | “Fairies and Environmental Justice in Modern Pagan Narratives” |
| | James West | Paper Session In-Person Form with Remote Viewing Available | Brown, Ras Michael | “Grounding African/American Spiritualities: Ecology and Indigeneity in Early African American Religions” |
| | | | Mondragón, Delores | “Rematriation in the Time of MMIW2S Soldiers” |
| | | | Kanu, Ikechukwu Anthony | “Igbo-African Eco-Spirituality: An Indigenous Response to Modern Ecological Crisis” |
| 3:45–5:15 PM | Swartz 125 | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Ferrara, Mark S. | “Green Consciousness: Contemplative Practices and Expressions of Eco-Spirituality at EcoVillage Ithaca” |
| | | | Burschel, Maria | “Covert Hegemonic Masculinity, Spiritual Growth and Non-Violent Communication in EcoVillages and Intentional Communities” |
| | | | French, Matt | “Contemplative ‘Eco-Spiritual’ Retreats: Reorienting Ecological Consciousness through Vipassana Meditation and ‘Nature Based Practice’ in the Foothills of the Catalan Pyrenees” |
| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Jaoudi, Maria | “The Many Realities of Consciousness: Intellectual, Spiritual, Aesthetic” |
| | | | Couture, Jim | “Awakening An Ecological Spirituality Through Songs” |
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| 5:30–7 PM | Sperry | Workshop and Performance Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Engelman, Robert Cordes Engelman, Lucy Cordes, Colleen | “Art, Joy, Mystery, in Workshop and Performance: One Family’s Approach Towards Becoming Earth” |
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| | James West | Performance Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Ray, Ricky | “Identity Earth: An Invocation of the Ecological Self” |
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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Cordovil, Daniela | “Ecological Spiritualities and Contemporary Art” |
| | | | Butcher, A. Allen | “Partnership Spirituality: Revering as Sacred the Balance of Heaven and Earth in Binarian Monotheism” |
| | | | Barstow, Geoffrey | “Challenging Buddhist Assumptions of Human Superiority” |
| | James East | Workshop Session | Allison, Elizabeth | Contemplative Practice for Climate Resilient Educators and Activists |

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022

| TIME | LOCATION | TYPE | PRESENTER | TITLE |
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| 9–11:30 AM | Sperry | Paper Session Hybrid Format | Lin, Ru-Yu | “Beliefs, Sustainability, Crisis and Feminine Ecological Spiritualities” |
| | | | Anguiano, J.M. Anguiano, S | “Evolutive Agriculture Method: a Decade of Research and Results in México” |
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| 9–11:30 AM | James West | Paper Session Hybrid Format | Larissa | “Love and Light? How New Age Practices Exploit Vulnerable Populations and Environments” |
| | | | Tillman, Trish | “Childfree for the Environment: A Viable Path in Catholicism or Gaudiya Vaishnavism?” |
| | | | Titus, Olusegun Stephen | “The Place of Egbesu Religious Songs” |
| | Swartz 125 | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Bhutia, Kalzang Dorjee | “Caring for the Valley of Abundance: Environmental History as a Resource for Emerging Environmental Ethics in Sikkim, India” |
| | | | Dwivedi, P.S. Verma, Pankaj Kumar | “Revisiting the Eco-Spiritual Wisdoms of the Rāmāyana: An Aesthetical Exploration” |
| | | | Jha, Smita Trivedi, Padm Nabh | “Demystifying the Non-anthropocentric Ecological Spirituality: Deep Ecology and Bhagavadgita” |



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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Aleknaitė, Eglė | “Respect to Nature in a Lithuanian Contemporary Pagan Community: a Useful Cultural Resource with No Call to Action” |
| | | | Strmiska, Michael | “Eco-Spiritual or Ethno-National? Reflections on the Interplay Between Ethnic Identity and Environmental Concerns in Modern European Paganism and Japanese Shinto” |
| 11:30AM–12:30 PM | Sperry | Workshop Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Chakour, Vanessa | “Rethinking Weeds: The Spiritual, Cultural, and Medicinal Significance of Common Plants” |
| | James West | Workshop Session In-Person with Remote Viewing Available | Tarwater, Rev. Bonnie | “Welcome and God loves you and there is nothing you can do about it!” |
| | No Link Available. In-Person Only. | Featured Workshop | Ford, Claudia | “Emerging Spirituality for the Philiacene: Writing Practices for a Wounded Planet” |
| 12:30–1:30 PM | James West | Performance Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Alhadeff, Cara Judea | “Indigenous Wisdoms, Reclaimed Action: Love Lessons from Zazu Dreams” |
| 12:30–1:30 PM | Sperry | Workshop Session Hybrid Format | Holmes, Brandon P. Pavel, Paloma M. Anthony, Carl C | WORKSHOP TITLE: “Embodying Eco-Spiritual and Eco-Justice practice: Leadership Training for Environment and Climate Justice” |
| | Due to technical difficulties, there is no link available. We apologize for the inconvenience. | Workshop Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Warman, Ryan Indigo Woolever, Megan Rose | “Re-wilding the Pagan Soul: Albion, Eco-Psychology and the Epigenetic Memory of Place” |
| 1:30–3:30 PM | Sperry | Paper Session Hybrid Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Barrywood, Kristal | “Understanding Environmentalism in Pagan Paths and its Effects on Altruism in Rituals” |
| | | | Halstead, John | “The Greening of Paganism” |
| | | | Baker, Shane | “Encounters with Immanence: Ecodelic Experience, Temperament, and the Ambiguous Aspirations of Gaia” |



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| | James West | Paper Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Peters, Ralph | "The Ecological Spirituality of William Irwin Thompson: From Celtic Animism to Gaian Cultural Ecologies" |
| | | | Dahill, Lisa E. | "Holy Shit: Lutheran Carnality and Thinking like a Tree" |
| | | | Bilecky, Emma Lietz | "In the World and of the World: Thinking, Caring, and Mapping with Soils" |
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| | Swartz 125 | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Ajose, Toyin Samuel | "Music, Ori-Oke Spirituality, and Environmentalism Among Yoruba Pentecostals in Ibadan, Southwest Nigeria" |
| | | | Adekogbe, Bosun | "An Ecological Examination of Musicality and Spirituality in Winners' Mega Chapel, Nigeria" |
| | | | Ugagu-Dominic, Nneka Rachel | "Mitigating Environmental Challenges Through Faith Communities in Uyo South-Southern Nigeria" |
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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | French, Aaron | "Space and Nature: The Role of Location in Early 20th Century European "Back-To-Nature Communities" |
| | | | Olsen, Steven L. | "Sacred Time and Sacred Space: Emergence of a Latter-day Saint Cosmology, a Textual Inquiry" |
| | | | Zinzendorf, Bro. Johannes | "The Hermitage, A Harmonist Community" |
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| 3:45–5:30 PM | Swartz 125 | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Oxendine, Jamie Keith | "South East Woodland American Indian Designs and Body Decoration: Pre-Contact and Contact" |
| | | | Whitaker, James Andrew | "Mastery and Motherhood: Animist Landscapes and Ontological Relations among the Makushi" |
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| 3:45–5:30 PM | At presenter's request, only part of this session was recorded. Please email PES@hds.harvard.edu for recording. | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Wikström, Tiina | "Studying the Notion of Ecologue within Native American Literary Studies and Social Services" |
| | | | Ofodu, Graceful Onovughe | "Spiritual Literary Strategies of Environmental Activism: A Discourse in EcoCriticism" |
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| | To view or download video, please email PES@HDS.harvard.edu | Workshop Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Kramer, Henry | "Cultivating Wonder as Embodied Practice" |
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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Fici, Christopher L | "I Am the Original Fragrance of the Earth: Regenerative Ecotheology, Regenerative Intimacy, and the Eros of Earthiness" |
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| | | | Dean, Dorothy | "Climate Grief and the Secular Spirituality of Earth-Mourning" |
| 5:30-7:30 PM | Sperry | Film Screening + Discussion Session Hybrid Format | Forbes, Chantal Noa | "Reclaiming Spiritual Identity in Native Place: Indigenous Food Sovereignty and the Ontology of Dwelling in GATHER" |
| | James West | Paper Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Assadourian, Erik | "Growing a Deeper Environmental Movement Via a Gaian Missionary Religion" |
| | | | Gekas, William (Billy) J. | "Introducing a Theology of Relational Accountability: An Eco-Centric Anti-Colonial Theological Methodology" |
| | James East | Workshop Session Remote with In-Person Viewing Available | Haugen, Geneen Marie | "The Re-Emergence of Animate World Experiences" |

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022

| TIME | LOCATION | TYPE | PRESENTER | TITLE |
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| 9-11 AM | Sperry | Paper Session Hybrid Format | Scharper, Stephen Cunningham, Hilary | "Rebordering Sanctuary: Multispecies Communities and the Sacred" |
| | | | Adhikari, Jagannath | "Kisan (Farmer's) Dharma: Ecological Practices Informed by Hindu-Buddhist Religions and Biodiversity Conservation" |
| 9-11 AM | James West | Paper Session In-Person Format with Remote Viewing Available | Ritchlin, Sheri | "Yijing and Confucian Roots of the Ecozoic Era" |
| | | | Mortensen, Eric | "The Resurgence of Nature-Based Folk Religion in Light of Ecological Trauma in the Lingering Buddhist Vacuum of Tibetan Communities in Gyalthang" |
| | Swartz 125 | Panel Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Demattê Filho, Luiz Carlos Nascimento, Rafael Araújo Mendes, Cecilia Mitie Ifuki de Carvalho, Ícaro Célio | "Agrifood System of Poultry Production" |
| | | | de Melo, Marica Kinjo, Sakae Demattê Filho, Luiz Carlos | "Johrei And Establishing the Soil-plant Balance in the Nature Farming System" |



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| | James East | Paper Session Remote Format with In-Person Viewing Available | Murad, Munjed | “Love and the Cosmos: Rumi on Perceiving Love, Nature's Animating Force” |
| | | | Fahm, Abdul Gafar Olawale | “Ecological Spirituality Representations in Jalal Al-Din Rumi's Mathnawi” |
| | | | Fatima, Ummel Khair Uddin, A.H.M. Ershad | “The Implications of Islamic Shari’ah Law in Perseverance of the Ecosystem through the Essence of Spirituality” |
| 11 AM–NOON | Plenary | Plenary Session Hybrid Format | Concluding Reflections | |

