

THINKING ABOUT ANIMALS March 1 & 2

Brock University

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March 1

9:00 POND INLET Introduction – John Sorenson

**9:15 am-11:00 POND INLET
ANIMAL OPPRESSION AND CAPITALISM – Panel Discussion**

David Nibert, Wittenberg University

Jana Canavan, Lund University

Matthew Cole, Open University

Lauren Corman, Brock University

Rob Laidlaw, Zoocheck Canada

Vasile Stanescue, Mercer University

Tracey Harris, Cape Breton University

Corey Wrenn, Monmouth University

11:00-11:15 BREAK

**11:15-12:30 POND INLET
Capitalism, neoliberalism and animal oppression**

“Zoobiz, The Conservation of Business”

Rob Laidlaw, Zoocheck Canada

“Neoliberalism & Animal Oppression”

Guy Scotton, University of Sydney

“Advocating for Animal Labour in an Age of Capitalism: A Paradox?”

Charlotte E. Blattner, Queens University

12:30-1:45 LUNCH (vegan lunch provided for those who have paid in advance)

1:45- 3:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

POND INLET

Protein/Violence/Meat

“New Frontiers in Protein”

Katie M. MacDonald, University of Guelph

“The tuna industry & entangled violence”

Taichi Inoue, Japan

“Animals in the Age of Technical Reproduction: The problem with ‘in-vitro’ meat”

Vasile Stanescue, Mercer University

SANKEY CHAMBER

Companionship & Death

“Disaster Aesthetics: Spectacles of Animal Death & Survival & the Reinforcement & Critique of Capitalist Systems of Carelessness & Cruelty”

Malin Palani, Macalester College

“Alone Together With Dogs”

Roshaya Rodness, McMaster University

“Contested Companionship: The Precarity of Pitbull-type Dogs”

Stephanie Eccles, Concordia University

3:00-3:20 BREAK

3:20-4:35 POND INLET

Laws, education, technology and animals

“Understanding Canadian animal transport laws & the process of updating them”

Amy J. Fitzgerald, University of Windsor; **Wesley Tourangeau**, Dalhousie University

“Animal use & alternatives in education: Overview, intersections & progress”

Nick Jukes, InterNICHE & **Olivier Berreville**, InterNICHE Canada

“Assistive technology & marginalized interspecies relationships”

Katherine Wayne, University of Ottawa

4:35-6:30 DINNER BREAK (Vegan dinner provided for those who have paid in advance)

6:30-8:30 pm POND INLET

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Karen Davis, United Poultry Concerns “*Talking About Animals: Our Advocacy for Better or Worse*”

March 2

9:30-10:45 POND INLET

Resistance, Empathy, Compassion

“Organize & Resist with Farmed Animals: Prefiguring Anti-Speciesist/Anti-Anthropocentric Cities” **Darren Chang**

“Caring for Istanbul's Street Animals: Empathy, Altruism, & Rage”
Kimberly Hart, SUNY Buffalo State

“Building Compassionate Societies: Challenging Structural Violence in the Animal-Industrial Complex” **Terry Gibbs**, Cape Breton University & **Tracey Harris**, Cape Breton University

10:45- 11:00 BREAK

11:00-12:15 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

11:00-12:15 POND INLET

Media, Voice, Endangered Species

“Speciesism Party: a vegan critique of *Sausage Party*” **Matthew Cole**, Open University
Kate Stewart, Nottingham Trent University

“Dinah, A Gorilla Biography”
Tracy McDonald, McMaster University

“On Chinese History, Trauma, & the Lust for Endangered Species Products”
Mary Ting, CUNY John Jay College

SANKEY CHAMBER

“For the Love of the Finite Animal”
Sanja Dejanovic, Concordia University

“Cattle, Chattel, & Capital: Hendiadyses of the Alimentary Atlantic”
Andrew Kettler, University of Toronto & **Charlton Yingling**, University of Louisville

“The Land of Meat and Potatoes? Animal Agriculture & Veganism in the Irish Discourse”
Corey Wrenn, Monmouth University

12:15-1:30 LUNCH BREAK (vegan lunch provided for those who have paid in advance)

1:30-2:00 POND INLET

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Animals, Capitalism, Resistance

David Nibert

2:00-2:50pm POND INLET

Bearing Witness, Providing Refuge

“Bearing Witness to Animal Suffering Worldwide: The Growth of the Save Movement”

Anita Krajnc, Toronto Pig Save & **Ian Purdy**, Toronto Pig Save; Institute for Critical Animal Studies

“Anthropomorphizing Wildlife”

Chantal Thejtin, Hobbitstee Wildlife Refuge

2:50-3:00 BREAK

3:00-4:30 POND INLET

Sanctuary

“More Than Meats the Eye”

Jenny Brown, Woodstock Farm Animal Sanctuary

“Go Vegan World & The Animals of Eden”

Sandra Higgins, Director, Eden Farmed Animal Sanctuary, Ireland

4:30pm Closing remarks - John Sorenson