2. Researching Environmental Education: Expanding the Field—Paper Session

Chair: Alberto Arenas
Discussant: Tom Berryman
Discussant: Marcia McKenzie

Tenderness in Every Geography: Poetry, Deep Ecology and Humanistic Education
Rishina Dunlop, York University

Social critical perspectives on environmental education: Exploring story telling and retelling.
Alison Neilson, OISE/University of Toronto

Contribution of Quotidian Pedagogy to Environmental Education: Revisiting Hermeneutic Phenomenology of Nature
Franc Feng, University of British Columbia

Tracing reasonings in environmental education: discursive practices and effects of power
Amy Sloan, University of Wisconsin—Madison

Environmental Education in China: Development and problems
Heidi Ross, Indiana University; Jing Lin, University of Maryland

1. Ecological and Environmental Education: Exploring Possibilities—Paper Session

Mon, Apr 11 - 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Ritz-Carlton, Montreal / Canadian 224

Chair: Arjen Wals
Discussant: Justin Dillon
Discussant: Amy Cutter-Mackenzie

Influence of the Globalized and Globalizing Sustainable Development Framework on National Policies Related to Environmental Education
Lucie Sauvé, Renée Brunelle, Université du Québec à Montréal

Martin Ashley, University of the West of England

Assessing Children’s Views of the Environment: Modifying the New Ecological Paradigm Scale for Use With Children
Constantinos Manoli, Bruce Johnson, University of Arizona, Riley Dunlop, University of Central Florida

Prospective Elementary Teachers’ Understandings of Ecological Concepts, Experiential Learning, and Place-based Education
J. William Hug, Montana State University

The Ethnobotany School Project: A Pilot Study
Alberto Arenas, University of Arizona

Developing Ecological Models for Environmental Education
David Zandvliet, Simon Fraser University

3. SIG Ecological and Environmental Education Business Meeting

Tue, Apr 12 - 6:15pm - 7:45pm
Le Centre Sheraton Montreal / Jarry

Chair: J. William Hug, Montana State University
Discussant: Leesa Fawcett, York University
Discussant: Bruce Johnson, University of Arizona

Cutting Nature’s Leading Strings: Ecological Disaster at the Heart of Constructivism
Nathalie Valentine, Université du Québec à Montréal

Keynote Speaker: David Jardine, University of Calgary

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4. Re-imagining Ecological/Environmental Education

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North of 49°—Symposium
Thu, Apr 14 - 4:05pm - 5:35pm
Ritz-Carlton, Montreal / Vice Royal II

Chair: Bob Jickling, Lakehead University
Discussant: Paul Hart, University of Regina

On Ecopedagogy and Abundance
David Jardine, University of Calgary

Aboriginal Perspectives on Ecological and Environmental Education: Trickster Discourse
Peter Cole, York University

Implications of Ecofeminism for Environmental Education
Theory, Practice and Research
Constance Russell, Lakehead University; Anne Bell, CRAB Consultants

(Un)Natural Histories: Feral Beings, Embodiment & Ecological Learning
Leesa Fawcett, York University

Re-animating the Universe
Heesoon Bai, Simon Fraser University

Pedagogies of Positioning
Marcia McKenzie, University of British Columbia

5. Environmental Education: Pedagogy, Practice, and Research—Paper Discussions (Formerly Roundtables)
Fri, Apr 15 - 12:25pm - 1:05pm
Marriott Montreal Chateau Champlain / Salle de Bal Ballroom & Foyer

Teachers and their projects: About the values and political participation dimensions
Heloisa Cinquetti, Federal University of São Carlos

Being-in-the-World, Ontogeny and Education: Ecological relationships of human development, their significance and challenge for education
Tom Berryman, Université du Québec à Montréal

Community environmental adult education: Critical case studies of educational practices
Carine Vilemagne, Université du Québec à Montréal

Environmental Education in Era of Accountability: Are Teacher Educators Meeting the Benchmarks?
Amy Cutter-Mackenzie, Charles Stuart University

Green Primary Schools in Hong Kong: An exploratory study
John Chi Kin Lee, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

The state-of-the-art of environmental education research in Mexico: Progress and challenges
Edgar González-Gaudiano, Secretariat of Public Education; Teresa Bravo-Mercado, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

Youth Enrichment Adventure (YEA): An Innovative Summer Environmental Education Program
Yukari Okamoto, Mary Brenner, John Jabaghourian, Tessa Tinkler, Karima Hurley, Logan Robertson, University of California, Santa Barbara

6. Key Issues in Environmental Education Research
Post Conference Seminar
Friday April 15, 1:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Hosted at Université du Québec à Montréal
Université du Québec à Montréal, Pavillon de l’éducation 1205 rue Saint-Denis, Montréal, Local (room) N-4201
Contact: chaire.educ.env@uqam.ca

Lucie Sauvé, Canada Research Chair in Environmental Education, and her colleagues Isabel Orellana and Tom Berryman, invite you to join a seminar among researchers to explore the following questions:

The current socio-political context
As individual researchers and members of some research community, how does the macro-political context of “education for sustainable development”, reinforced by the UN Decade, draw our attention? What issues are associated with such a context? Which research questions, which themes and which objectives emerge from one’s reading of such a context and which should have priority in environmental education research? Speakers to introduce this topic:

Bob Jickling, Lakehead University
Edgar González Gaudiano, Secretariat of Public Education
Allan Reid, University of Bath

Researchers as social actors
How are environmental education researchers socially involved? What does “social involvement” mean? What are the issues associated with various forms of social involvement? What are the epistemological and methodological implications of such a posture? Speakers to introduce this topic:

Constance Russell, Lakehead University
Leesa Fawcett, York University
Arjen Wals, Wageningen University
Marc Boutet, Université de Sherbrooke

Other SIG Activities

Welcoming Reception
Hotel Lord Berri
1199, Berri Street (Berri & René Lévesque)
Monday, April 11, 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Hosted by:
Faculty of Education, Lakehead University,
Canadian Journal of Environmental Education, and
Éducation relative à l’environnement: Regards, Recherches, réflexions

Field Trip: From the mountain to the river: An urban environmental itinerary
With: Tom Berryman, Isabel Orellana, and Le Centre de la Montagne.
Wednesday Afternoon, 2:00 to 6:00, April 13
Meet in the lobby of the Hotel Lord Berri, 1199, Berri Street (Berri & René Lévesque) at 1:50.
Come and experience the joy of urban natural and cultural history with Tom Berryman, Isabel Orellana, and Le Centre de la Montagne. These Montreal residents will share their passion for this great city and many of its “special places.”
From the hotel we will take cabs to the top of Mt. Royal and have a guided walk down the mountain. Good walking shoes are recommended. The SIG Dinner (see below) will follow.

SIG Dinner: «Vieux Montréal»
Wednesday following the field trip
Further Details TBA
Lucie Sauvé is making reservations for us to have dinner in the «Vieux Montréal». Come for the good company and the ambience of the old city. This should be an unforgettable treat.

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See Item 6 in the above program

Dinner to follow seminar
Friday April 15, 7:00 p.m.
Informal. Perhaps we will take a stroll up the colourful Rue Saint-Denis where fine dining meets good company.