

In space, what came earlier continues to underpin what follows... not only durable spatial arrangements, but also representational spaces and their attendant imagery and mythic narratives

— Henri Lefebvre, The Production of Space, pp.229-230.

As long as time is taken for granted as the mere framework within which action takes place... it will continue to form a central part of the deep structure of environmental damage wrought by the industrial way of life.

- Barbara Adams, Timescapes of Modernity, p.9.

The sociological toolkit has much to offer to critical studies of human-nonhuman animal relations. Significant works have highlighted the influence of broader social structures, discourse, and microinteraction on the exploitation of other animals (Cole & Stewart 2014, Cudworth 2011, Nibert 2017, Peggs 2012). A complementary strand of the discipline has furthered advocacy efforts through developing understandings of nonhuman animal advocacy and veganism (Bertuzzi 2020, Cherry 2006, Wrenn 2019). Since its conception in 2020, the International Association of Vegan Sociologists has supported the

development of scholarship that actively challenges the exploitation of nonhuman animals. In our third annual meeting we draw on two streams of sociological thought — sociologies of space and time — to provoke innovative and fruitful research that furthers this goal.

Sociologists look at space and time as social — constructed in particular ways to maintain social order. Space is physically shaped, for instance with objects, signs and architecture, to direct movement or behaviour in particular ways (sit here, eat in that room, do not feed the wildlife). Time is ordered, e.g. through calendars and clocks, but also shaped through particular habits, tempos and rhythms (such as the speed of a production line). These constructions reflect and reproduce broader social relations, for instance the tailoring of society around particular bodies makes it more accessible for some than others. Exploitative human-nonhuman animal relations, too, are reproduced in particular spatial and temporal contexts — for instance, the use of anti-dog regulation signs or hostile architecture such as bird spikes demarcating 'public space' as human-only; the rapid speed and physical disruption of sight in slaughterhouses to facilitate efficient killing; and the placement of sites of farming and killing animals at the outskirts of cities to remove these elements of exploitation from public consciousness (Arcari et al 2021, Pachirat 2012, Wadiwel 2015). Unpicking these contexts of exploitation creates opportunity to reimagine configurations that might foster less-oppressive human-nonhuman animal entanglements in future.

This online conference, organised by the International Association of Vegan Sociologists and enjoys the support of the animal sections of the Australian Sociological Association, British Sociological Association, and Polish Sociological Association. It will be held online from October 8th- 9th, 2022.

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Saturday, October 8, 2022				BST (London)	EST (Toronto)
Opening Remarks: IAVS Conference Organizing Committee		15 minutes	5:45pm	8:15am	3:15am
Panel: British Vegaphobia		1 hour	6:00pm	8:30am	3:30a
A Decade of Vegaphobia: Reflecting on Evidencing Anti-	Matthew Cole	The Open University matthew.cole@open.ac.uk			m
Veganism	Karen Morgan	University of Bristol Karen.morgan@bristol.ac.uk			
PC-Ravaged Clowns or Plant- Powered Pioneers? An Exploration of UK Newspaper Portrayals of Veganism in 2020	Norm Riley	University of Essex ngrile@essex.ac.uk			
Selling Veganism in the Age of COVID: Vegan Representation in British Newspapers in 2020	Corey Wrenn	University of Kent c.l.wrenn@kent.ac.uk			
Vegan spatialities of		1 hour	8:00pm	10:30a m	5:30am
domescrated animals Locked up with companion animals	Federica Timeto	Ca'Foscari University Venice federica.timeto@unive.it			
Spatialities of constraint: resisting anthroparchy in the context of a housing crisis	Zoei Sutton	Flinders University zoei.sutton@flinders.edu.au			
Veganism as praxis		1 hour	10:00pm	12:30pm	7:30am
Soyboys Will Be Boys: Exploring the seemingly contradictory identity of vegan men in Australia	Alex Hill	Macquarie University alexander.hill@students.mq.edu.au			
Veganism in Religious Spaces and throughout the Religious Calendar: Experiences of Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Vegans in the UK	Ellie Atayee-Bennett	University of Southampton E.Atayee-Bennett@soton.ac.uk			
An analysis of self-representations of Brazilian influencers who advocate for the animal cause based on Instagram affordances	Artur Oliari Lira	Universidade Federal do Parana arturoliarilira@gmail.com			
Understanding Vegan Transition experiences through the narratives of vegan men	Kadri Aavik	Tallinn University kadria@tlu.ee			
The vegan sociological lens		1 hour	12:00am *	2:30pm	9:30am
Introducing Vegan Sociology to Other Disciplines	Nick Pendergrast & Adam Cardilini	University of Melbourne Nicholas.pendergrast@unimelb.edu.a u	Next day*		
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Eating (Non)violence: An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Race and Veganism	Victoria Brockett	University of Illinois vbrock2@uic.edu			

Vegan Standpoint Theory: A New Method of Inquiry

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Sunday, October 9, 2022				BST (London)	EST (Toronto)
TASA Panel Discussion		1 hour	6:oopm	8:30am	3:30am
Challenging anthroparchy in research - on the socio-spatial "doing" of vegan sociology	Zoei Sutton	Flinders University zoei.sutton@flinders.edu.au			
	Nick Pendergrast	University of Melbourne Nicholas.pendergrast@unimelb.edu.au			
	Alexander Hill	Macquarie University alexanderjhill14@gmail.com			
Timescapes of multispecies relations		ı hour	8:00pm	10:30am	5:30am
Anthropocentric histories, animal futures - pigeon-human relationships and the quest for multispecies justice	Maria Martelli	Independent Scholar maria.martelli@yahoo.com			
A (Brief) History of UK Animal Trials	Lynda Korimboccus	Independent Scholar lmkorimboccus@gmail.com			
A very brief history of the future: a transformation story of achieving justice for the more-than-human world	Luke Li Stange	Tallinn University luke@tlu.ee			
PSA Panel		1 hour	10:00pm	12:30pm	7:30am
Sharing or Dividing? Discussion around Fences in Natural Environment	Hanna Mamzer	Adam Mickiewicz University mamzer@amu.edu.pl			
Discovering death in Nature	Lucja Lange	University of Lodz <u>LangeL@o2.pl</u>			
Recognising animal sentience – new definition of being 'civilized' in the 21st century?	Adrianna Kapek- Goodridge	Huddersfield University Adrianna.Kapek- Goodridge@hud.ac.uk			
Concluding Comments: IAVS Conference Organizing Committee		15 minutes	11:30pm	2:00pm	9:00am
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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEAKERS

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EVENT ORGANIZERS

DR ZOEI SUTTON

Dr Zoei Sutton is a sociologist interested in critical, nonhuman animal-centric research. She is the co-founder of the International Association for Vegan Sociologists and co-created the Australian Sociological Association's Sociology & Animal thematic group which she currently convenes with Dr Gavin Smith. She is also a member of the ICAS Oceania collective. Her dissertation examined the lived experience of human-companion animal entanglements, utilising species inclusive methods to centre nonhuman animals' experiences and encourage critical reflection on them. Other recent projects have examined the construction of killable "pest" species in print media and the depoliticised treatment of nonhuman animals in sociological literature. Underlying this research is a deep commitment to research that is *for* nonhuman animals, rather than merely about them. You can keep up to date with Zoei's research by following her on twitter or researchgate.



DR COREY WRENN



Dr. Wrenn is Lecturer of Sociology with the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR) and Co-Director of the Centre for the Study of Social and Political Movements at the University of Kent. She served as council member with the American Sociological Association's Animals & Society section (2013-2016), was elected Chair in 2018, and co-founded the International Association of Vegan Sociologists in 2020. She serves as Book Review Editor to Society & Animals, is a member of The Vegan Society's Research Advisory Committee, and hosts Sociology & Animals Podcast. In July 2013, she founded the Vegan Feminist Network, an academic-activist project engaging intersectional social justice praxis. She is the author of A Rational Approach to Animal Rights: Extensions in Abolitionist Theory (Palgrave MacMillan 2016), Piecemeal Protest: Animal Rights in the Age of Nonprofits (University of Michigan Press 2019), and Animals in Irish Society (SUNY Press 2021).

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF VEGAN SOCIOLOGISTS



The International Association of Vegan Sociologists is a scholar-activist collective putting sociological theory and practice in the service of animal liberation and veganism. It was founded in May 2020 by Corey Wrenn, Chair of the Animals & Society Section of the American Sociological Association and Zoei Sutton, Co-Convener of the Australian Sociological Association's Sociology and Animals Thematic Group.

This association was formed to provide a platform for sociologists of a Critical Animal Studies background who recognize veganism and anti-speciesism as an ethical imperative in the discipline.

Our aim is to increase the visibility and legitimacy of vegan sociology, provide opportunities for career development, and facilitate transnational networking. We are completely volunteer-based.

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TASA SOCIOLOGY & ANIMALS THEMATIC GROUP



The Australian Sociological Association's Sociology and Animals Thematic Group aims to contribute to the idea of nonhuman animals as critical members, and stakeholders in societies, who co-produce 'the social' along with humans and other nonhumans. With the rise of human-animal scholarship, sociologists are increasingly recognising the importance of including non-human animals in our academic endeavours, and the urgency of studying animals as actors, as well as subjects of marginalisation in societies. The aim of the Sociology and Animals Thematic Group is to create a supportive network of scholars working in human-animal studies, critical animal studies and/or other animal-related areas to facilitate the exchange of ideas, critical discussion and coordination of relevant academic events. We welcome all scholars conducting sociological research about, for, and/or with nonhuman animals.

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CSA ANIMALS IN SOCIETY RESEARCH CLUSTER



We are the Animals in Society research cluster (RC) of the Canadian Sociological Association (CSA)! As sociologists, we see value in scholarship that goes beyond an anthropocentric understanding of Canadian society, one that includes the non- or other-than-human and pays particular attention to "the question of the animal". The work of this RC is inclusive, anti-oppressive, and critical in nature. Working from an interdisciplinary perspective, we seek to expand current interpretations of societal structures and institutions, social norms, practices, policies, and relations that involve humans and other beings. The Animals in Society RC recognizes and respects that we are all animals in a shared society.

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PSA SECTION OF INTERSPECIES RELATIONS



The section will develop collaboration with public institutions and non-governmental organisations in the field of human-non-human animal relations. The Section's goals include: studying, describing and interpreting human-animal relations both in the local and the global dimensions; presenting the achievements and initiatives of Polish sociologist and international researchers/scholars; and cooperating with international academic institutions with the purpose of promoting Polish achievements with regard to the interspecies-relations research. The social aim of the Section is to support the academic efforts of sociologists interested in this interdisciplinary area.

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The purpose of the American Sociological Association's Section on Animals and Society is to encourage and support the development of theory, research and teaching about the complex relationships that exist between humans and other animals. In the process, it is anticipated that the light we shed on these issues will increase the well-being of both humans, and other animals.

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BSA ANIMAL/HUMAN STUDIES GROUP



The study of animal-human relations within the social sciences is an increasingly important, vibrant and burgeoning field. The formation of the BSA Animal/Human Studies Group in June 2006 is therefore an important step towards addressing what Bryant (1979) has called the 'zoological connection', whereby sociologists need to recognise that people co-exist and interact not only with humans but with non-human animals too. For example, animals are increasingly utilised and involved in biotechnology and genomics; animal experimentation; the production and slaughter of food animals; companion animal-human type relationships and the therapeutic use of animals. Moreover, additional animal-related issues that have attracted attention by researchers are: the potential links between animal abuse and domestic violence; the nature of animal-animal interaction; potential links between women, nature and animals; bestiality; human-wildlife interactions; and human responses to companion animal death/euthanasia. Sociologists have much to offer this emerging area of study and are well placed to engage with the multifaceted, ambiguous and challenging nature of the animal-human interface in everyday life.

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