Rethinking the rural North through environmental literature, film, and TV

International Conference at the University of Copenhagen

Time: 7. Dec.-8. Dec. 2023

Venue: University of Copenhagen, South Campus, Njalsgade 76, room: 4A.1.15

Organizers: Sophie Wennerscheid (UCPH) and Anna Mrozewicz (LU)

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Thursaay, 7. 1	Dec.2025
09:00	Welcome and Introduction by Sophie Wennerscheid and Anna Mrozewicz
09:30	Anne Gjelsvik (Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim): Norwegian Documentary features films: People by the Fjord
10:15	Irene Pérez Puyol (Universidad Complutense de Madrid): The City as Trauma and the Cabin as Refuge: Tension between the Rural and the Urban in Vigdis Hjorth's novels
11:00	Coffee break
11:15	Christian Hummelsund Voie (University of Southeast Norway): Exploring the Utility of Environmental Memory in the Literature of the Rural North
12:00	Lunch break
13:30	Annie Fee (Lund University): Rural Intimacies in the North: Polaris
14:15	Per Mendoza (University of Iceland): "Men då är vi här": Omsorg, or the Act of Care, in Tove Jansson's <i>Sommarboken</i> (1972)
15:00	Coffee break
15:30	Keynote: Esther Peeren (University of Amsterdam): Rural Hinterlands
16:30	End of day one
18:30	Conference dinner

09:00	Saskia Klose (Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich): Different perspectives on Árneshreppur	
09:45	Sophie Wennerscheid (University of Copenhagen): Rethinking Rural Relations. Food, farming, and the environment in contemporary Danish literature and film	
10:30	Coffee break	
11:00	Sotirios Kimon Mouzakis (University of Zurich): (Re-)Orientations of Time	
	and Space in Maria Turtschaninoff's Arvejord (2022)	
11:45	Aurore Berger Bjursell (Sorbonne Université): Dark Green and Depleted: Exploring Unsustainable Livings in Rural Swedish Film Landscapes	
12: 30	Lunch break	
13:30	Anna Estera Mrozewicz (Lund University): 'Natural scenery' and viscous toxicity: traumatized Sápmi landscapes in Scandinavian Eco-noir television series	
14:15	Jules Danto (European Sustainability Center, Saint-Nazaire) & Anatole Danto: Reexamining the essentialisations of the rural maritime extractive peripheries in the arts and humanities	
15:00	Coffee break	
15:15	Søren Frank (University of Southern Denmark): Coastal havoc in Peder Frederik Jensen's <i>Rans vilje</i> (2023) and Holger Drachmann's 'Efter Orkanen (1881)	
16:00	Concluding remarks	
16:30	End of the conference	