

"WE ARE ALL TAXONOMISTS": VERNACULARS OF GEOLOGICAL TIME FROM SOUTHERN MARGINS

What language do we need to articulate necropolitical environmental change in poor urban settlements in (post) colonial Nairobi? And how can we make this situated vernacular attuned to and supportive of everyday struggles to restore and protect home ecologies, while also intervening in and (dis)connecting to/from global articulations of our current crises? This talk foregrounds histories, struggles and resistances from Nairobi's margins to reflect on how geological time is narrativized and responded to from the simultaneous hinterland(s) and centre(s) of what is popularly termed the 'Anthropocene.'



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