December 3-4, 2010 • 315 Phillips Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3
12-1PM Catred Lunch
1PM Downing Thomas, Opening of the Conference
1:15-3:30PM Session #1 Water and Mills
Chair: Roland Racevksis
Heather Wacha (History)
Constance Berman (History)
Laura Rigal (English and American Studies)
4-5PM Session #2 Green Cities of Europe: Paris, Rome
Chair: Waltraud Maierhofer
Brenda Longfellow (Art History)
Lucie Laurian (Urban and Regional Planning)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4
9-11AM Session #3 Nature, the Arts and Literature
Chair: Constance Berman
Roland Racevksis (French and Italian)
Rachel Horner Brackett (Anthropology)
Julie Hochstrasser (Art and Art History)
11:30AM KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Ursula Heise

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“Red List Blues: The Politics of Extinction”

Humankind is currently confronted with a loss of biodiversity that may eliminate up to 50% of existing species by the end of the century, with unknown consequences for human well-being and natural ecosystems. “Red List Blues” explores how different countries have engaged with this crisis culturally and politically: through narrative and visual representations of endangered species, as well as through scientific classifications and legal regulations and treaties concerning them.

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