

# MILITARIZED LANDSCAPES

AN INTERDISCIPLINARY SCHOLARLY WORKSHOP

October 20-22, 2023

Boise State University, Boise, ID, USA

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The use and abuse of nature during armed conflict is an age-old phenomenon, but our attempts to understand the processes by which landscapes become militarized—that is, transformed by military activity during peace time and in war—are relatively new. This workshop seeks to bring together scholars from a variety of disciplines (particularly from, but not limited to, the humanities and social sciences) to share insights, develop collaborative networks, and contribute to one or more collective publications that address the myriad ways military activity has transformed the environment, how environmental change has shaped human conflict, and how both have affected our relationships to nature.

We invite proposals (individual or co-authored) that explore various aspects of how landscapes become militarized. There is no temporal or geographic focus; instead, the organizers encourage proposals from scholars—new and established—specializing in any time or place. Proposals should include: (1) an abstract of 150-200 words followed by 4-5 key words including geographical area of focus (if relevant), and (2) a brief (1-3 page) CV with current contact information for each author. The deadline for proposals is **April 28, 2023**. All proposals should be sent to [LisaBrady@boisestate.edu](mailto:LisaBrady@boisestate.edu). Selected proposals will be announced by **May 21, 2023**. We encourage scholars at all career levels, from graduate students to senior scholars, and from diverse backgrounds and locations to submit abstracts.

## WORKSHOP DETAILS

The workshop, to be held in-person at Boise State University October 20-22, 2023, will open Friday evening with a reception and public keynote address by Prof. [Eleana J. Kim](#), anthropologist at University of California, Irvine, and author of [Making Peace with Nature: Ecological Encounters Along the Korean DMZ](#) (Duke, 2022). Participants will share their drafts and receive initial feedback during workshop sessions on Saturday. Participants will reconvene on Sunday to discuss shared themes and to identify potential publication venues. The workshop will cover meals and is exploring options to offset the costs of travel and accommodation (prioritizing supporting participants who lack external funding.) The workshop may be affected by COVID-19 health, safety, and travel restrictions, and will abide by all COVID-19 safety guidelines.

For further information about the conference contact us at [LisaBrady@boisestate.edu](mailto:LisaBrady@boisestate.edu) or [LibbyLunstrum@boisestate.edu](mailto:LibbyLunstrum@boisestate.edu).

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