WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

All events will take place at the Inn at USC-Wyndham Garden Conference Center
1619 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Friday, February 27

9:00-9:15AM: Welcome Remarks: Tom Lekan, Department of History, USC

9:15-10:30AM: Panel 1/Thesis 1: Breaching the Divide: Human and Natural Histories
Moderator: Lori Ziolkowski, Department of Earth and Ocean Sciences, University of South Carolina
Tim LeCain, Department of History, Montana State University
“Heralding a New Humanism: The Radical Implications of Chakrabarty’s Four Theses”
Josh Eagle, School of Law, USC
“An Environmental Lawyer’s View of ‘the Collapse of the Age-old Humanist Distinction between Natural History and Human History’”
Jessica Barnes, Department of Geography/Environment and Sustainability Program, USC
“Rifts or Bridges? Ruptures and Continuities in Human-Environment Interactions”
Carol Boggs, Department of Biology/School of Earth, Ocean and Environment, USC
“Human Niche Construction and the Anthropocene”

11:00AM-12:15PM: Panel 2/Theses 2-3: Politics and Capitalism in the Anthropocene
Moderator: Rob Emmett, Rachel Carson Center
John Meyer, Department of Politics, Humboldt State University
“Politics—or of—the Anthropocene?”
Laura Watt, Department of Environmental Studies and Planning, Sonoma State University
“On Capitalism and Democracy”
Carol Hee, Kenan-Flager Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
“Beyond Corporate Sustainability in the Anthropocene”

12:30-1:30PM: Catered Lunch in Gambrell Hall

1:45-3:00PM: Panel 3:/Thesis 4: Probing our Limits: Narrative and the Geophysical Imagination
Moderator: Ann Johnson, Department of History, University of South Carolina
Alexa Weik von Mossner, Department of English and American Studies, University of Klagenfurt
“Imagining Geological Agency: Storytelling in the Anthropocene”
Lisa Sideris, Department of Religious Studies, Indiana University
“Anthropocene Convergences: A Report from the Field”
Dan Richter, School of the Environment, Duke University
“A Crisis of Environmental Narrative in the Anthropocene”

3:00-3:30PM: Closing Reflections: Dipesh Chakrabarty, Department of History, University of Chicago

3:45-4:45PM: Forum on the Future of the Environmental Humanities
Moderator Tom Lekan and featuring Carol Boggs and Rob Emmett
Saturday, February 28

8:45-10:00AM: Breakfast discussion of essays and publication plans
Moderators: Rob Emmett and Tom Lekan

11:00-5:00: Field Excursion: “Climate Change and Wilderness Management at Congaree National Park”
David Shelley, Education Coordinator, Congaree National Park
John Kupfer and Janae Davis, Department of Geography

*Vans depart from behind Inn at USC. Boxed lunches provided.*