The Environmental Speaker Series

Whose Land? Our Land: Environmental Justice and Housing Justice in South Baltimore



A talk by Nicole Fabricant, Professor of Anthropology at Towson University

Wednesday, September 18th Library 321 4:40pm



Dr. Fabricant will discuss the uneven and racialized effects of environmental hazards and toxins in low-income communities of color in South Baltimore and the subsequent forms of organizing for more sustainable futures. She highlights the use of mapping and countermapping as a political arm or weapon of the struggle for communities of color to reclaim land and open spaces for alternative forms of growing, of economic exchange, and of learning.

Nicole Fabricant is an Associate Professor of Anthropology at Towson University. She received a BA from Mount Holyoke College in 1999 in urban anthropology and a Ph.D. from Northwestern University in 2009. Dr. Fabricant's research interests include social movements, cultural politics of resource extraction, urban anthropology, and environmental injustice/toxicity. She is author of Mobilizing Bolivia's Displaced: Indigenous Politics and the Struggle over Land (UNC 2012) and co-author with Bret Gustafson of Remapping Bolivia: Resources, Territory, and Indigeneity in Plurinational Bolivia. She is currently working on a book entitled Fighting to Breathe in the Black Butterfly: The Struggle for Land in Toxic South Baltimore.

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