

Zoonotic urbanization

Urban Talks

Matthew Gandy

In this presentation, Matthew Gandy will explore the political and temporal dynamics of extractive frontiers and their epidemiological manifestations under the complex dynamics of "zoonotic urbanization." Gandy will consider how a modified urban political ecology framework might extend to the affective, epigenetic, and mutating realm of human relations with non-human others, including the pivotal role of the human body as an incubator for the shifting zoonotic parameters of modernity.

Matthew Gandy is Professor of Geography at the University of Cambridge and an award-winning documentary film maker. His articles have appeared in many leading journals including IJRR, New Left Review, and Society and Space. His books include Concrete and clay: reworking nature in New York City (MIT Press, 2002), The fabric of space: water, modernity, and the urban imagination (MIT Press, 2014), Moth (Reaktion, 2016), and Natura urbana: ecological constellations in urban space (MIT Press, 2022). He is currently working on zoonotic aspects to urban epidemiology as part of a wider conceptual framing for the multispecies city.

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