

Associate Professor Andrea Gaynor
Nomination statement for ESEH Vice-President

I am an environmental historian who seeks to use the contextualising and narrative power of history to help address our current environmental predicament. I have previously undertaken projects with a range of external organisations, collaborated with scholars from a range of disciplines, and engaged with policymakers. I am currently convenor of the Australian and New Zealand Environmental History Network and would bring my experience of sustaining and developing this Network to the role of Vice-President of the ESEH. Within this role I would work to support the President in pursuing the organisation's mission. I would also particularly seek opportunities, through ESEH networks within and beyond Europe, to advance the ESEH mission of strengthening the link between environmental history, policy-making and the general public. At this time of climate breakdown and mass extinction, I believe that environmental history can play an active role in inspiring and informing action on contemporary environmental injustice. We are in an excellent position to speak on the possibility and complexity of change, and tell essential human stories. ESEH could combine local expertise and international collaboration to good effect, for example in issuing statements, as well as collating and offering resources or identifying expertise on particular issues (with sensitivity, of course, to the different contexts and needs of member regions). ESEH can also set an example. I would therefore look to encourage less resource-intensive ways for ESEH to achieve its mission, for example through the pooling of teaching resources in the electronic commons, and, given the very high environmental overheads of aviation in particular, trialling zero-travel forms of communication and collaboration.

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Qualifications:

2002 PhD thesis awarded with Distinction, The University of Western Australia (UWA).

1995 Bachelor of Arts with first class honours in History, UWA.

Select Academic Positions and Fellowships held:

2019 National Library of Australia Fellowship

2018 Benjamin Meaker Fellowship, University of Bristol

2017- Chair of History Discipline Group, UWA

2016 Visiting Fellow, Centre for Environmental History, ANU

2016- Director, Centre for Western Australian History, UWA

2015 Carson Fellow, Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, LMU Munich

Select Academic Publications:

Books:

- Andrea Gaynor, Katie Holmes, Richard Broome, Charles Fahey, *Big Skies: Land, People and History in Australia's Mallee Country*, Monash University Publishing, Melbourne, (from DP130102169; in press for publication 2019).
- Nick Rose and Andrea Gaynor (eds), *Reclaiming the Urban Commons: The past, present and future of food growing in Australian towns and cities*, UWA Publishing, Crawley, 2018.
- Andrea Gaynor, Peter Newman and Philip Jennings (eds), *Never Again: Reflections on Environmental Responsibility After Roe 8*, UWA Publishing, Crawley, 2017.
- Andrea Gaynor, *Harvest of the Suburbs: an Environmental History of Growing Food in Australian Cities*, UWA Press, Crawley, 2006. Pp. 264.

Book chapters:

- Andrea Gaynor, 'Taking locust country', in Nancy Cushing and Jodi Frawley (eds), *Animals Count: How Population Size Matters in Animal-Human Relations*, Routledge, 2018. From ARC DP130102169.
- Andrea Gaynor, 'Environmental transformations', in Alison Bashford and Stuart Macintyre (eds), *The Cambridge History of Australia, vol. 1: Colonial Australia*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2013, pp.269-293. (Invited contribution)
- Andrea Gaynor, 'Fowls and the contested productive spaces of Australian suburbia, 1890-1990', in Peter Atkins (ed.), *Animal Cities: Beastly Urban Histories*, Ashgate, Surrey, 2012, pp.205-219. (Invited contribution)

Refereed journal articles:

- Rebecca Jones (70%) and Andrea Gaynor (30%), 'Wild Harvesting, self-sown crops and the ambiguous modernity of Australian agriculture', *Agricultural History*, Vol. 93, No. 2, Spring 2019, pp. 212-232.
- Andrea Gaynor, 'Grappling with 'nature' in Australian home gardens 1890-1960', *Environment and History*, vol. 24, no. 1, Feb 2018, pp.23-38.
- Andrea Gaynor, 'Entangled Nature: The Stirling Range National Park', *RCC Perspectives*, no.2, 2017, pp.81-88.
<http://www.environmentandsociety.org/perspectives/2017/2/article/entangled-nature-stirling-range-national-park>
- Andrea Gaynor (70%) and Joy McCann (30%), "'I've had dolphins ... looking for abalone for me": Oral history and subjectivities of marine engagement', *Oral History Review*, vol. 4., no.2, 2017, pp.260-277 <https://doi.org/10.1093/ohr/ohx023>
- Andrea Gaynor, 'Lawnspringing Perth: Water supply, gardens and scarcity, 1890-1925', *Journal of Urban History*, published online 16/2/2017 <https://doi.org/10.1177/0096144217692991>