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Ethnobiology Newsletter



Society of Ethnobiology Member Newsletter

Letter from the President

Dear colleagues and friends,

The <u>2021 Virtual Conference</u> of the Society of Ethnobiology is fast approaching, and I look forward to seeing many of you in the virtual meeting rooms, at panels and workshops, celebrating our achievements, and immersing ourselves in community. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Liz Olson, Ashley Blazina, Cheryl Takahashi, and others who have so capably forged this new online meeting world for us!

This is my last newsletter writing the President's piece, and I want to thank you all for this honour and opportunity to work with the Exec, your Board, our Editors, and you all. It's been a tremendous learning curve and I am so grateful for the experience to learn, grow, and contribute to the Society in a leadership position. I look forward to new opportunities ahead in the Society of Ethnobiology, including working with SoE-sponsored panels at the RAI conference, <u>Anthropology and Conservation</u>, this fall (see the call for papers below!).

Please join me as we joyfully welcome Liz Olson to the Presidency, alongside new Exec members Daniela Shebitz (President-Elect) and Alex McAlvay (Secretary). Our Board is very fortunate to welcome Zoë Eddy as our new Promotion and Outreach Co-ordinator. I wish this dynamic team all the best and I know they'll serve with integrity and innovation.

With love,

Sarah





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NEW Ethnobiology Letters Published: Vol 12 No 1 (2021)

Check out the new issue of Ethnobiology Letters Vol 12 No 1 (2021). The Society of Ethnobiology publishes Ethnobiology Letters (ISSN 2159-8126), a gold open access, fully online, peer reviewed journal for publication of short communications concerning ethnobiology, the study of the relationships between humans and environments in diverse spatial and temporal contexts. Share, Like, and Comment as you please, and we hope you enjoy these enthralling reads! Click <u>here</u> to read more.

CALL FOR PAPERS - Anthropology and Conservation Virtual Conference 25-29 October 2021

Al Joint Conference: Anthropology and Conservation Oct 25-29, 2021

CALL FOR PAPERS open until July 02, 2021

The Society of Ethnobiology has partnered with the Royal Anthropological Institute, Royal Botanical Gardens Kew Gardens, the Forest Peoples' Program, and others to convene the Anthropology and Conservation Virtual Conference. <u>Panels</u> are available to view, including four sponsored directly by the Society of Ethnobiology:

<u>Ethics and Advocacy - Organizing Equity and Decolonizing Ethnobiology</u> (Sarah Walshaw and Cissy Fowler) – Open for Papers!

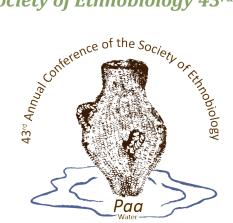
Ethnobiologists, Communities, and Collaboration for Conservation (Liz Olson and James Welch) – Open for Papers!

<u>Lessons from the deep past: archaeological approaches to conservation</u> (Jade D'Alpoim Guedes and Isabel Rivera Collazo) – Open for Papers!

Addressing Threats to Indigenous and Local Knowledge systems (Álvaro Fernández-Llamazares and Dana Lepofsky) – Composed Roundtable

SoE members have been guaranteed Fellows' Rates for the conference (60 GBP) and concession rates apply to students (30 GBP) and low-income (15GBP). Please watch for news about any upcoming grants the SoE can make available for those interested.

Society of Ethnobiology 43rd Annual Conference STARTS TOMORROW!



The conference will be held online from May 12–14, 2021. Because we are an international Society, we will have sessions scheduled at different times of the day to accommodate different time zones. In addition, there will be some asynchronous pre-recorded sessions. The main events will be scheduled according to the Mountain Time Zone (UTC-7) where the Pauite Tribe of Southern Utah, our co-host for this conference, is predominantly centered.

Use the hashtag #SoEthnobiology2021 to stay connected

Some quick tips and reminders!

- Please review the **FLOOR instructions** we sent out last week and this short video on **How to share your screen when you are presenting**
- You can access the FLOOR demo session now to test audio/video and screen sharing. Problems? Please see these <u>FLOOR Tips and FAQs</u> for how to troubleshoot.

Rapid Assistance Fund For Indigenous Communities & Individuals In Need

The Society of Ethnobiology remains committed to the purposes of social justice and social equality. We recognize there is much work to be done. If you or your community are in need of assistance, in a form that relates to people and the environments they live and work in, please consider applying for Rapid Assistance Funds <u>here</u>.

Indigenous Communities Resources Guide

We have created an Indigenous Resource Guide, in striving to serve the needs of historically underrepresented groups and in recognizing that the environments where they live have been and continue to be strongly influenced by racism and structural inequalities. This booklet is designed to provide a brief review of the resources available through the Society of Ethnobiology. We hope this will encourage individuals to distribute this .pdf as well as reach out, should they see ways in which we, as a Society, can serve their community. **Click** <u>here</u> to access the document.



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Call for Forage! Blog Posts

Forage! is the SoE's venue for gathering ideas and knowledge and for fostering the ethnobiological community and movements. We encourage members to submit content from all expressive dimensions including intellectual, creative, and activist ones (e.g., art, stories, literature, poetry, picture). Check it out <u>here</u>.

We invite all SoE members, students, and the general public to submit blog posts here: <u>forage@ethnobiology.org</u>. We welcome submissions at any time or you can schedule a blog post using our doodle sign-up poll: <u>https://doodle.com/poll/7n3r6f9vyaqp4icx</u>

SoE Student Twitter Take-Over

Are you a student who wants to engage more with the diverse membership of the Society of Ethnobiology? Do you want to show your own perspective of what is ethnobiology? NOW IS YOUR CHANCE! Fill out the survey to schedule your week now: <u>https://buff.ly/3hTHGpA</u>

Ethnobiology In the News

1.25.2021 | Science Daily Women influenced coevolution of dogs and humans
4.2.2021 | Daily Herald All ages can join an 'Ethnobotany Exploration' at Tekakwitha Woods
3.9.2021 | Phys.org Ethnobotanical survey enlightens traditional knowledge, use and conservation of plants in Kenya

Do you have anything you would like the community of Ethnobiologists to know? Would you like to share job postings, events, news articles, etc.? Please email <u>socialmedia@ethnobiology.org</u> with any comments, concerns, or additions.