

CALL FOR PAPERS: THE MIND'S EYE, FALL 2016 SPECIAL ISSUE ON TREES AND TREE CULTURE

The Mind's Eye is a peer-reviewed journal of the Massachusetts College of the Liberal Arts that publishes scholarly and creative work. While emphasizing articles of scholarly merit, the journal focuses on a general communication of ideas of interest to liberal arts.

Abstract:

What is tree culture? How do trees contribute to the role of place-making in a community? What are the ways that trees gain stature culturally? Do trees deserve to stand in the world, regardless of humankind's needs for land and property? How have trees been used as forms of resistance? How do these questions connect with the theory of nature-society relations and environmental discourse?

The Mind's Eye presents a special issue exploring the interdisciplinary connections that can be made in regards to tree culture between environmental sciences, geography, anthropology, sociology, literature, history and the arts, among many other fields, that make up the liberal arts.

Announcement:

For this issue of The Mind's Eye, we invite submissions related to the exploration of tree culture(s) in the United States and abroad. We welcome submissions discussing all dimensions of tree culture including cultural constructs, ethical questions, symbolism, impact on landscape, and placemaking.

Submit unpublished material as an email WORD attachment. Please use MLA style for endnotes. While we will consider articles of unspecified length, preference is given to manuscripts of fewer than 20 pages. In addition to commentaries and studies related to our theme, we will consider other formats, including fiction, poetry, book reviews, interviews, cartoons, drawings and photography.

Deadline for submission: March 1, 2016

Submit your manuscripts to: Melanie.Mowinski@mcla.edu

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