

Reimagining the More-Than-Human City From a Global Perspective

in dialogue with Jamie Wang Matthew Gandy and Donna Houston

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Using an interdisciplinary urban environmental humanities approach, Reimagining the More-Than-Human City: Stories from Singapore critically examines the multifaceted environmental issues in Singapore through a more-than-human lens, calling for new ways to think of and story cities. Widely considered a model for the future of urbanism and an emblematic new world city, Singapore's mode of urban sustainability, Wang contends, has both broad and deep implications for cities around the world that are eager to become greener and more sustainable. Drawing on field research, this book explores distinct and intrarelated urban imaginaries situated in various sites, from the futuristic, authoritarian Supertree Grove to a velocity-charged urban transportation system, and to nature reserves and the cemeteries, where graves and memories continue to be exhumed and erased to make way for development. What kinds of sustainable futures are we calling forth, and at what and whose expense? Amid the escalating effects of climate change and intense urbanisation, the book ultimately argues that urban imaginings must create space for a more relational understanding of urban environments.

Following the introduction of the book, Jamie Wang will be in dialogue with Matthew Gandy and Donna Houston to discuss, further probe and add new perspectives to various themes of the book, from controlled versus spontaneous urban natures to emerging forms of eco-modernised green infrastructure, and to researching a more-than-human city and urban environmental studies more broadly.







