



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Center for Regional Food Studies

2022-2023 Annual Theme



Right to Farm: How do we think about and support the right to farm as we face ongoing global environmental change and dispossession of farmers from their land, seeds, resources such as water, and ability to achieve a living wage and just livelihood?

Right to Food: How do we transform food into a public good like universal k-12 education so that people – rather than transnational corporations and market forces – control food and food systems? How do we hold governments – not individuals – accountable for the wellbeing of the people?

CRFS News

New Publication

"There Would Be More Black Spaces": Care/giving Cartographies during COVID-19 By: Megan A. Carney, Debi Chess, and Michelle Rascon-Canales. Medical Anthropology Quarterly.

ABSTRACT

Black geographies, Black feminist anthropology, and related fields have provided substantial evidence attesting to the effects of racially violent spatial practices such as dispossession, racial segregation, mass incarceration, and redlining for the health outcomes and life chances of Black communities and other racialized groups, and conversely, the political and healing potential of placemaking projects. We foreground theory from Black geographies and Black feminist work on care to examine care/giving cartographies at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. We present findings from semi-structured interviews conducted virtually in 2021 that combined care/giving narratives and counter-mapping with 20 African American residents of Tucson, Arizona, as part of a longer-term community-based placemaking project. Interview data underscore the spatial and discursive pervasiveness of anti-Blackness, including within biomedical spaces of care, and negative effects on health. We argue that

narratives centering care/giving alongside practices of counter-mapping are indictments of the institutional structures abetting anti-Black racism as a structuring, spatial logic. [*anti-Black racism, COVID-19, caregiving, counter-mapping*]

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

Nutrire CoLab Season 2 Episode 2: Discussing Food Matters

In this episode, guest co-hosts Myriam Durocher and Irena Knezevic interview Hi'ilei Hobart and Emily Yates-Doerr on the theme of “food matters”, following their participation as keynote speakers at the international Conference “Food Matters and Materialities: Critical Understandings of Food Cultures”.

The Food Matters Conference addressed how power relationships take form in contemporary food cultures and materialize in particular food matters/materialities as well as in a wide range of food-related practices (e.g., production, circulation, preparation, consumption). The event theme revolved around “matters”, a play on words that, on the one hand, reflects the will of the co-organizers to address how food matters and materialities emerge in and engage with particular food cultures and, on the other hand, reflects their will to explore food-related issues and their links with food cultures. In her keynote talk, Dr. Hobart shared insights from her fieldwork in an encampment at Pu'uhonua o Pu'uhuluhulu at the summit of Mauna Kea, detailing practices of resistance led by Indigenous communities, and the role of food and ice in these practices. Dr. Yates-Doerr shared insights and stories emerging from her fieldwork in Guatemala, proposing reflections on how we might want to do and share research in food studies otherwise. In this interview, we highlight some key insights from their respective talks and bring out connections between their work.

The audio editing of this episode was done by Laura Bruno.

For more info on the Conference click [here](#)

Season 2, Episode 2 is now available on Spotify.



New CRFS Blog Post

"A Vision to Support Thriving Desert Economies"

By: Evan Storey and Zulema Valdez Hamed

Evan and Zulema (partners) both have roots in the Sonoran desert, and currently live in Ensenada, Baja California. Zulema was born and raised in Mexicali, studied psychology, and now teaches at a local university. Evan was born and raised in southern Arizona, studied international relations, and now works in sustainable farming and land management. Both aspire to maintain livelihoods along both sides of the border, and eventually move back to the Tucson region. A project like the one described here for "Envisioning the future of food and farming in southern Arizona" may just very well be their calling.

Please click [here](#) to view the entire blog.

Local/Regional Events

Tucson Chinese Chorizo Festival



For more information click [here](http://www.chinesechorizo-project.com).

Thriving Communities Grant Application

Greetings all,

We have great news! The **Thriving Communities Grant application is opening on October 11th!** We need your help to spread the word to our community! ***Will you share this with the people and organizations you work with?***

The purpose of CFB's Thriving Communities Grant is to support organizations, collectives, and mutual aid groups in addressing various aspects of food security, community health, social justice, and the root causes of hunger. Applicants may apply for up to \$20,000 for an individual organization, and up to \$60,000 for a collaborative effort among organizations. **Any 501(c)3 non-**

profit, faith, tribal, public, or grassroots/community group organization is eligible to apply. Fiscal sponsorship is available for a limited number of groups without tax-exempt status.

Applications will be accepted via submission on [Grant Interface](#) from **9:00 am on October 11th to 6:00 pm on December 12th**. Once the grant round is open, interested applicants can visit CFB's [Grant and Loan Opportunities webpage](#) and click "Open Now: Thriving Communities Grant" to apply. Attached in this email--and on our webpage--are helpful documents with more information about the Thriving Communities Grant and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). Any organization needing help with their application submission, or with any other questions can contact partnergrants@communityfoodbank.org.

Interested in learning more? Join our virtual **Info Session from 1:30-2:30 pm on Tuesday, October 4th**. A recording of the info session will be posted to [CFB's website](#).

Proposito de Subvencion para Comundades Prosperas

Saludos a todos,

¡Tenemos grandes noticias! **El 11 de octubre se abrirá la solicitud de subvención para comunidades prósperas.** ¡Necesitamos tu ayuda para difundir la noticia en nuestra comunidad! ***¿Compartirás esto con las personas y organizaciones con las que trabajas?***

El propósito de la subvención para comunidades prósperas de CFB es apoyar a las organizaciones, colectivos y grupos de ayuda mutua para abordar diversos aspectos de la seguridad alimentaria, la salud comunitaria, la justicia social y las causas fundamentales del hambre. Los solicitantes pueden solicitar hasta 20.000 dólares para una organización individual, y hasta 60.000 dólares para un esfuerzo de colaboración entre organizaciones. **Cualquier**

organización sin ánimo de lucro 501(c)3, religiosa, tribal, pública o de base/grupo comunitario puede presentar su solicitud. El patrocinio fiscal está disponible para un número limitado de grupos sin estatus de exención de impuestos.

Las solicitudes se aceptarán a través [de sitio web de la subvención](#) desde las **9:00 am del 11 de octubre hasta las 6:00 pm del 12 de diciembre**. Una vez abierta la ronda de subvenciones, los solicitantes interesados pueden visitar [la página web de Oportunidades de Subvenciones y Préstamos](#) del CFB y hacer clic en "Open Now: Thriving Communities Grant/ Abierto ahora: subvención de comunidades prósperas " para solicitarla. En este correo electrónico, y en nuestra página web, se adjuntan documentos útiles con más información sobre la subvención para comunidades prósperas y preguntas frecuentes. Cualquier organización que necesite ayuda para presentar su solicitud, o con cualquier otra pregunta, puede ponerse en contacto con partnergrants@communityfoodbank.org.

¿Quiere saber más? Únase a nuestra **sesión informativa virtual de 13:30 a 14:30 horas el martes 4 de octubre**. Se publicará una grabación de la sesión informativa en [el sitio web de CFB](#).

Other Events

North American Food Systems Network Presents:

Finding Your Future In Food Systems

Registration is now open for NAFSN's popular networking series on Oct 4, Oct 19, and Nov 8.

[REGISTER TODAY](#) for all three events to meet and learn from job creators in the food systems profession.

Finding Your Future in Food Systems



In this webinar series, the North American Food System Network (NAFSN) provides participants with connections and insights to help them identify next steps for their careers. The three-part series (Oct. 4 & 19, and Nov. 8, 2022) highlights job creators across the food systems profession.

NAFSN is a professional development association connecting people to opportunities and resources to promote resilient local and regional food systems in the advancement of equity and healthful food access for all.

Sign up here: tinyurl.com/NAFSN

Webinar 1 on **Tue, Oct 4,**
6-7 pm ET, features:



Maggie Smith
Sustainable Agriculture and
Food Systems Funders



Lisa Fernandez
Food Solutions New England



Pam Berg and Bryan Sobel
Johns Hopkins Center for a
Liveable Future

Webinar 2 on **Wed, Oct 19,**
6-7 pm ET, features:



Dan Blaustein-Rejto
The Breakthrough Institute



David Gibson Jr.
Amy's Kitchen



Betsy Rakola
USDA - AMS

Webinar 3 on **Tue, Nov 8,**
6-7 pm ET, features:



Natalie Cruz
Freelance Writer + Culinary Educator



Joy Davis
Revel Meat Co.

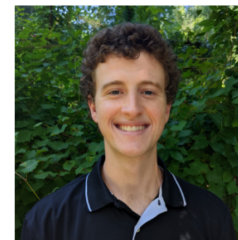


Ryan Stasolla
Glynwood Center for
Regional Food and
Farming

With Your Hosts



Nika Colley
Cornell University



Adrian Evans
NC State University

Find more information about our speakers on our website at: tinyurl.com/NAFSN

Opportunities for Postdocs

Postdoctoral Research Position in Participatory Food Governance

We are seeking to appoint a postdoctoral fellow as part of a multidisciplinary team led by Dr. Charles Levkoe, Canada Research Chair in Equitable and Sustainable Food Systems, Department of Health Sciences at Lakehead University in partnership with researchers at Carleton University, St Paul's University, Ohio State University, and several community partners. The Participatory Food Systems Governance project aims to identify effective, innovative, and collaborative approaches to food systems governance for building healthy, equitable, and sustainable food systems. The postdoctoral fellow will focus their efforts on supporting a series of case studies in participatory food systems governance and other thematic areas of the project in Ontario. The candidate will be responsible for literature reviews, conducting interviews, analyzing data, and sharing results in peer reviewed publications, reports, presentations, and public facing outputs. Strong written and oral communication skills are essential, as the candidate will interact with academic, civil society and government leaders, research team members, and support knowledge mobilization.

The successful candidate must have experience and interest in qualitative research methods, conducting community-based research, academic and popular writing, and working closely with civil society organizations in the public, private and non-profit sectors. Research experience in food systems, governance, public policy, and social movements is preferred. The candidate must have completed their doctoral degree within six years of their appointment. The candidate must also be legally entitled to work in Canada (due to funder requirements).

To apply for this position, please send a letter of interest, a CV, transcripts, and contact details for two references via email to: Charles Levkoe

(clevkoe@lakeheadu.ca). The appointment will begin in January 2023 for one year at \$45,000. The appointment may be renewable for a second year upon funding availability and the agreement of all parties. Review of applications will begin on November 1, but applications will be considered until the position is filled. **We appreciate your interest; however, only shortlisted candidates will be notified. Inquiries are welcome.**

Lakehead University is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals including women, racialized persons, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and other equity-seeking groups. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

Other Opportunities

Call for Submissions

you are here: the journal of creative geography
2023 issue: counter/cartographies

Deadline for submissions: **January 15, 2023**

you are here: the journal of creative geography is now accepting submissions for the 2023 issue, counter/cartographies. We seek submissions that trouble and reinvent dominant spatial representations, imaginaries, practices, and knowledges. Recognizing the power of geographic knowledge to shape the world in its image (for better or for worse), we invite radical reimaginings of space, place, and landscape that demonstrate the possibility, necessity, and contours of other worlds -- worlds yet to come into being or worlds already here but at the margins of dominant geographic representations and itineraries. We accept submissions in all creative genres, including but not limited to poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, maps, visual art, film, multimedia, virtual art, and soundscapes.

For the 2023 issue of you are here: the journal of creative geography, we invite you to submit:

- Counter-hegemonic forms of geographical representation, including work in Indigenous cartography, critical GIS, counter-mapping, anti-mapping, critical remote sensing, critical cartography, post- and de-colonial mapping, feminist visualization, storymapping, and creative cartography.
- Art and creative writing that challenges and/or reimagines dominant spatial imaginaries, including those of the body, the city, the landscape, the nation-state, the transnational, the global, the mind and memory, and other geographic locations and formations.
- Creative work of all genres that produces new and critical ways of visualizing, representing, and performing space, place, and the geographic imagination.
- Creative work that uses geographic concepts, representations, and tools to imagine and bring into being other worlds.

We are particularly interested in creative work that draws on critical knowledge traditions within and beyond geography, including:

- Black geographies and ecologies, Black studies, Afro-futurisms, Black sci-fi and speculative traditions
- Indigenous geographies and cartographies, Indigenous ontologies and epistemologies, Indigenous creative and spatial traditions
- Latinx geographies and Latinx cultural production
- Perspectives issuing from the Global South, diasporic locations, and the post/decolonial world
- Geographies of disability and critical disability studies
- Queer and trans geographies, queer and trans studies, queer and trans cultural production
- Intersectional feminisms, feminist visualization, feminist methodology, feminist sci-fi and speculative traditions

We accept submissions in the form of: creative nonfiction, fiction, poetry, performance, film, maps, multimedia, visual art, digital art, sound art, and any other genre you can imagine, create, and submit. Submissions can be authored by individuals, collaborations, or collectives. Please see our [submission guidelines](#) for details and be sure to submit a coversheet with your submission

(provided on our submissions guidelines page).

If you have any lingering questions about a potential submission or format, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at youarehere.arizona@gmail.com or direct message us on social media. If you would like to submit in a language other than English or Spanish, please reach out so that we can ensure reviewers fluent in that language are available.

Call for Papers

Social Science Conference on: "Novel Foods and Novel Food Production: A Contribution to Sustainability and Food Security?"

Conference Date: March 20, 2023
The American University of Rome

Deadline for submissions: **November 30, 2022**

The Conference focus is on the wave of the so-called disruptive technologies developed by mission-oriented entrepreneurs in the name of sustainability and food security: novel foods. These range from cellular meat, plant-based meat alternatives, microorganism-based and insect-based proteins. Similarly, innovations in controlled environment agriculture (CEA), encompassing a variety of indoor farming systems and vertical farming, aim to free fresh produce production from the risks and rhythms of the natural environment, integrating it into urban life.

More information on the Conference can be found
at <https://aur.edu/novelfoods2023>

Send submissions to foodstudies@aur.edu

Notifications of acceptance status will be made by January 2023.

Contact: foodstudies@aur.edu;
Maria Grazia Quietì & Maria Fonte: m.quietì@aur.edu

UA Campus Pantry

Please Remember to Support our Campus Pantry

The mission of the UA Campus Pantry is to alleviate hunger in the UA Wildcat community by providing food assistance to those in need.

On average, 1 in 3 college students experience food insecurity at some point in their academic career. The Campus Pantry helps to reduce this statistic by providing supplemental groceries to students in need. In addition, food insecurity looks different for all students. Sometimes it can be a lack of access to transportation, lack of financial resources or simply not having enough or nutritious foods.

For more information, including how to donate, please visit the [Campus Pantry](#) website.

Send Us Your News!

Do you have a piece of news you would like to circulate on the CRFS newsletter? Do you have a new book out? Won an award? Recently wrote a public-facing essay, an op-ed, or appeared in an interview? We'd love to share your news and keep our network informed of each other's successes, recent work, and/or initiatives. **Send your news items for inclusion in our newsletters to CRFS Assistant Director, [Laurel Bellante](#).**

CRFS Blog Submissions

Call for Submissions

Call for submissions opens April 1, 2022 with rolling deadline

Final submission deadline: November 1, 2023

Share your visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona!

Description:

The UA Center for Regional Food Studies (CRFS) is curating a multimedia storytelling project to explore visions for a more sustainable, just, and vibrant food system in southern Arizona. We invite you to submit your stories and vision.

Questions we are exploring for this project include: What are your visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona? How do food traditions, heritage, and family stories shape your ideas for the future of food in this region? In the context of global climate change, urban development, and struggles for food sovereignty, how do food stories and practices provide hope and direction for the future? How can we build community and coalitions for change to work together towards more just futures? What role should food play in the economic development of our region?

Submissions will be collected and curated into a public storytelling project that explores visions for the future of food and farming in southern Arizona. Accepted submissions will be shared first online through the CRFS blog, then later in print and in the form of a podcast.

This storytelling project will also inform our approach to a teach-in (combining workshops, skill-sharing, and community conversations) and participatory action research about these topics in 2022-23.

Topics of engagement and storytelling might include (but are not limited to):

- Food heritage and how to keep it alive
- Climate change and climate adaptation

- Food and economic development
- Food justice and food sovereignty
- Just livelihoods for food system workers
- Youth and food
- Building community through food and farming
- Visions for technology, development, research, and/or collaboration
- The right to food and/or the right to farm

Who can submit a story or vision?

- Anyone can submit a story or vision regardless of their gender, age, profession, citizenship status, etc.
- Submissions can be from individuals or groups

Submission Format:

We invite you to share your visions about any of these topics as they relate to your community and/or the food-related work you do in southern Arizona.

Submissions can be in any of the following formats:

- a short story, essay or statement describing your vision (maximum 500 words)
- audio recordings describing your vision (maximum 3.5 minutes)
- brief interviews (these can be completed upon request by CRFS staff)
- visual art (photography, drawings, paintings, etc.)

Please include your full name(s), contact information, and brief biography (50-100 words) with your submission.

Note: CRFS staff can assist with the recording of your submission if needed. We are also happy to collect your contribution through an interview. Please reach out to us to discuss how we can help.

Those with accepted submissions will be provided a modest honorarium and invited to participate in a community celebration of the complete project in December 2023.

Submissions will be accepted on a rolling deadline.

Final submission deadline: November 1, 2023

Email expressions of interest or submissions to CRFS assistant director, Laurel Bellante: bellante@arizona.edu

For questions, concerns, or to learn more about the project, please contact CRFS director, Megan Carney, at mcarney@arizona.edu

Apertura de Convocatoria

Apertura de convocatoria: 1 de abril, 2022

Fecha límite definitiva: 1 de noviembre, 2023

*¡Comparte tu visión del futuro de los alimentos
y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona!*

Descripción:

El Centro de Estudios Alimentarios Regionales de la Universidad de Arizona está organizando una colección de narrativas multimedia para explorar distintas visiones de sistemas alimentarios más sustentables, justos y dinámicos en el sur de Arizona. Te invitamos a presentar tu visión e historias.

Las preguntas por explorar en este proyecto incluyen: ¿Cuáles son tus visiones para el futuro de los alimentos y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona? ¿Cómo es que las tradiciones culinarias, tu patrimonio e historias familiares definen tu visión del futuro de los alimentos en esta región? En el contexto del cambio climático global, el desarrollo urbano y la lucha por la soberanía alimentaria ¿de qué manera te dan esperanza y una dirección a futuro las prácticas alimentarias e historias alrededor de ellas? ¿Cómo podemos construir comunidades y alianzas de cambio para trabajar por futuros más justos? ¿Qué papel deberían jugar los alimentos en el desarrollo económico de nuestra región?

Los materiales seleccionados serán recopilados y presentados en una colección de narrativas comunitarias que explora las visiones del futuro de los alimentos y la agricultura en el sur de Arizona. Las propuestas que sean

aceptadas se compartirán primero en línea a través del blog del Centro, luego en formato impreso y en un podcast.

Este proyecto de narrativas también orientará nuestro enfoque educativo y de investigación-acción participativa (una combinación de talleres, intercambio de habilidades, y conversaciones comunitarias) alrededor de estos temas en 2022-23.

Los temas de participación y narrativa incluyen (pero no están limitados a):

- Patrimonio alimentario y cómo mantenerlo vivo
- Cambio climático y adaptación climática
- Desarrollo alimentario y económico
- Justicia y soberanía alimentarias
- Vivienda justa para trabajadores del sistema alimentario
- Juventud y alimentos
- Construcción comunitaria desde la alimentación y la agricultura
- Visiones de tecnología, desarrollo, investigación y/o colaboración
- El derecho a la alimentación y/o el derecho de cultivar

¿Quien puede enviar una propuesta?:

- Cualquier persona puede mandar su propuesta sin importar género, edad, profesión, estatus migratorio, etc.
- Propuestas pueden ser de parte de individuos o grupos

Formato de presentaciones:

Te invitamos a compartir tu visión sobre cualquiera de estos temas en la medida en que se relacionan con tu comunidad y/o con tu trabajo con los alimentos en el sur de Arizona. Las presentaciones pueden ser en cualquiera de los siguientes formatos:

- Historia corta, ensayo o una declaración que describa tu visión (máximo 500 palabras)
- Grabaciones de audio describiendo tu visión (máximo 3.5 minutos)
- Entrevistas cortas (pueden ser completadas a solicitud del personal de

CRFS)

- Arte visual (fotografía, dibujos, pintura, etc.)

Favor de enviar junto con su presentación: nombre(s), información de contacto, biografía corta (50-100 palabras).

Nota: El personal de CRFS puede asistir en la grabación de presentaciones si es necesario. También estamos dispuestos incluir su participación a través de una entrevista. Por favor contáctenos para discutir cómo podemos ayudar.

Aquellas personas cuyas presentaciones sean aceptadas recibirán un honorario modesto y podrán participar en una celebración comunitaria al concluir el proyecto en diciembre 2023.

Las presentaciones serán recibidas y evaluadas hasta llenarse el cupo.

Fecha límite definitiva: 1 de Noviembre, 2023

Puede expresar su interés o mandar su presentación a la subdirectora del CRFS, Laurel Bellante: bellante@arizona.edu

Para preguntas, inquietudes o para aprender más del proyecto, por favor contacte a la directora del CRFS, Megan Carney, at mcarney@arizona.edu

CRFS Blog Submissions

The CRFS blog aims to highlight the diversity of teaching, research, and service happening around food within our community. We invite submissions of 500-700 words by faculty, staff, and students, as well as community members.

We are also open to proposals for photo essays, video compilations, and/or interviews. **Submit your ideas or questions to CRFS Assistant Director,** [Laurel Bellante](#).

Please visit the [Food Studies Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Arts in Food Studies.

Please visit the [Nutrition and Food Systems Website](#) for more information about the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Food

Systems.



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