

Editorial

In the age of the Anthropocene and in the face of climate crisis, societal perceptions of the environment, the way it is talked about, and how it is represented aesthetically are changing. In Literary Studies, scholars increasingly focus on the relationship between humans and nature, on how the latter manifests itself as an important element in literature, and on how literature influences the ecological discourse of its time.

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