



ANTIDOTES TO AGEISM IN THE ANTHROPOCENE: GENERATIONAL TIME AND MULTISPECIES LITERARY ETHNOGRAPHY

KEY PASSAGES TALK: KATHLEEN WOODWARD FREE PUBLIC EVENT

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4-6 PM
McCune Conference Room, HSSB 6020
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Models of the passage from midlife to old age disclose the ageism rampant in our culture, with aging figured overwhelmingly as decline. Today, old age is imagined in terms of splitting: the good third age of incremental diminishment and the bad fourth age of unremitting medical catastrophe. In this talk, Kathleen Woodward will explore the question: What antidotes can alleviate the toxin that is ageism in the Anthropocene, with older populations decidedly at risk? *Audience Q&A and a reception will follow.*

Kathleen Woodward is Lockwood Professor of the Humanities and Professor of English at the University of Washington, where she directs the Simpson Center for the Humanities. She is the author of *Statistical Panic: Cultural Politics and Poetics of Emotions* and *Aging and Its Discontents: Freud and Other Fictions*.

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