

Special Issue

Transdisciplinary Theological Study: Animals, Divinanimality, and Creaturely Theology

Message from the Guest Editor

This special issue of *Religions* focuses on those burgeoning ideas of divinanimality and seeks contributions from thinkers who, as stated in the title, eagerly move outside of the constraints of traditional theology by truly addressing and engaging “the animal” (a contested and, anthropocentric unnatural category). Contributions can come from a variety of transdisciplines – historical, feminist, human-animal, critical animal, theological (broadly defined from any religious perspective, not just those “traditional” ones), race and ethnicity, social justice, posthumanism, and other studies. The interrogation of the category of animals and how, through thinking about animals (including the human animal), one thinks about the divine, should be central. The queries should attempt to go beyond those in the volume *Divinanimality: Animal Theory, Creaturely Theology*, which explored many of these same issues (full disclosure, this special edition editor has an essay in that volume). One way to expand on those essays is to stretch more into the critiques Haraway provides of Derrida’s philosophical position.

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