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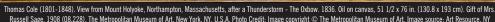
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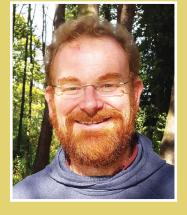
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Thursday, April 20, 2017 • 6 PM

FREE and Open to Public • Boise State Student Union Building, Jordan Ballroom Reception following with no-host bar and appetizers • Free parking

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The Ghostly Language of the Ancient Earth: The Idea of Nature in Deep Time

Scott Ashley

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In 1799 William Wordsworth imagined his younger self standing beneath the rocks of his native mountains listening to the 'ghostly language of the ancient earth'. I also try to hear the echoes that come out of the deep past and decipher what we can learn from them about the entangling of the human and natural worlds and the origins of the idea of Nature.

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