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EDUCATION

- 2019-present** **PhD.**, Rutgers University, Department of Geography (projected graduation May 2024)
Trainee: C2R2 Coastal Climate Risk and Resilience
Advisor: Robin Leichenko
- 2017** **M.S.**, City and Regional Planning, Pratt Institute
Thesis: *Place-Based Approaches to Community Resilience, Recovery, and Emergency Preparedness*
- 2012** **B.A.**, Urban Studies (major), Dance (concentration), Barnard College – Columbia University
- 2012** **B.A.**, Jewish Art and Material Culture, List College – Jewish Theological Seminary
Magna cum laude

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2022** Landau, L. (2022). *Mutual Aid as Disaster Response in NYC: Hurricane Sandy to COVID-19* | *Journal of Extreme Events*. Retrieved June 16, 2022, from <https://www.worldscientific.com/doi/abs/10.1142/S2345737622410019?journalCode=joe>
- 2022** Caggiano, H., Landau, L. F., Campbell, L. K., Johnson, M. L., & Svendsen, E. S. (2022). Civic Stewardship and Urban Climate Governance: Opportunities for Transboundary Planning. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, 0739456X221104010. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0739456X221104010>
- 2021** Landau, L. F., Campbell, L. K., Svendsen, E. S., & Johnson, M. L. (2021). Building Adaptive Capacity Through Civic Environmental Stewardship: Responding to COVID-19 Alongside Compounding and Concurrent Crises. *Frontiers in Sustainable Cities*, 3, 705178. <https://doi.org/10.3389/frsc.2021.705178>
- 2021** Caggiano, H., & Landau, L. F. (2021). A new framework for imagining the climate commons? The case of a Green New Deal in the US. *Planning Theory*, 14730952211042764. <https://doi.org/10.1177/14730952211042765>
- 2021** Campbell, L. K., Svendsen, E., Johnson, M., & Landau, L. (2021). Activating urban environments as social infrastructure through civic stewardship. *Urban Geography*, 0(0), 1–22. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02723638.2021.1920129>

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2019** Landau, Laura; Campbell, Lindsay K.; Johnson, Michelle; Svendsen, Erika; Berman, Holly. (2019). STEW-MAP in the New York City region. Survey results of the Stewardship Mapping and Assessment Project. Gen. Tech. Rep. NRS-189. Newtown Square, PA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Northern Research Station. 74 p. <https://doi.org/10.2737/NRS-GTR-189>
- 2019** Landau, L. “Seattle OEM Community Emergency Hubs: Public Space as a Post-Disaster Organizing Tool.” (2019). In Campbell, Lindsay K.; Svendsen, Erika; Sonti, Nancy Falxa; Hines, Sarah J.; Maddox, David. (Eds.). *Green Readiness, Response, and Recovery: A Collaborative Synthesis*. Gen. Tech. Rep. NRS-18x. Newtown Square, PA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. <https://doi.org/10.2737/NRS-GTR-18x>.

- 2019** Johnson, M.L., Landau, L., Campbell, L.K., and E.S. Svendsen. 2019. Connecting with and stewarding the land and people along the 7 train in NYC: A STEW-MAP perspective. In Vargo, J., Hobson, L., Perry, S., and W. Owen, Case Studios (eds.) *7 Common*. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Revival Letterpress. 69 pp.
- 2019** Campbell, L. K., Landau, L. F., Johnson, M. L., & Svendsen, E. S. (2019). Civic Stewardship of Urban Ecosystems: Forms of Community Engagement with Landscape and Places. In M. Chatterjee & K. Svyatets (Eds.), *Environmental Issues and Policy: Exploring Past, Present, and Future Sociological Relations*. Cognella Academic Publishing. San Diego, CA. pp. 208-224
- 2018** Campbell, L.K., Landau, L., Johnson, M., Svendsen, E. 2018. "Visualizing the unseen: Mapping civic stewardship as social infrastructure." PLOT 7, New York, NY.

BLOG POSTS

- 2021** Landau, L. (7 June 2021). Beyond Equity: What Does an Anti-Racist Urban Ecology Look Like? *The Nature of Cities* [Virtual Roundtable]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2021/06/07/beyond-equity-what-does-an-anti-racist-urban-ecology-look-like/>
- 2021** Campbell, L., Johnson, M., Plitt, S., Landau, L., & Svendsen, E. (29 April 2021). Documenting the Pandemic Year: Reflecting Backward, Looking Forward. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2021/04/29/documenting-the-pandemic-year-reflecting-backward-looking-forward/>
- 2020** Campbell, L., Johnson, M., Landau, L., Plitt, S. & Svendsen, E. (20 December 2020). Quarantine Fatigue and the Power of Activating Public Lands as Social Infrastructure. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2020/12/20/quarantine-fatigue-and-the-power-of-activating-public-lands-as-social-infrastructure/>
- 2020** Campbell, L., Johnson, M., Landau, L., Plitt, S. & Svendsen, E. (24 September 2020). Socially Distant Summer: Stewarding Nature and Community to Meet Basic Needs During a Pandemic. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2020/09/24/socially-distant-summer-stewarding-nature-and-community-to-meet-basic-needs-during-a-pandemic/>
- 2020** Campbell, L., Svendsen, E., Landau, L., & Johnson, M. (24 June 2020). The View from Our Windows: Our Social Ecologies of Sheltering in Place. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2020/06/24/the-view-from-our-windows-our-social-ecologies-of-sheltering-in-place/>
- 2020** Landau, L. (4 June 2020). Why Defunding the Police is an Issue of Democracy and Public Space. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2020/06/04/why-defunding-the-police-is-an-issue-of-democracy-and-public-space/>
- 2019** Landau, L. (24 June 2019). How Can we Improve Social Infrastructure? *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2019/06/24/how-can-we-improve-social-infrastructure/>
- 2018** Landau, L. (15 January 2018). Bottom-up Care for the City in Response to Social and Environmental Change. *Multiple Cities*. [Blog post] Retrieved from <https://www.multiplecities.org/home/2017/12/28/bottom-up-care-for-the-city-in-response-to-social-and-environmental-changes>

- 2017** Landau, L., Campbell, L., & Svendsen, E. (8 October, 2017). Making the Invisible Visible: Mapping Civic Environmental Stewardship. *The Nature of Cities*. [Blog post] Retrieved from <https://www.thenatureofcities.com/2017/10/08/making-invisible-visible-mapping-civic-environmental-stewardship/>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2023** **Urban Ecology**
Spitzer School of Architecture, City College of New York
Co-teach 14 first-year graduate students
- Fall 2022** **Global Awareness: An Introduction to Global and International Studies**
Rutgers University
Co-taught 40 undergraduate students as instructor of record
- Spring 2022, Spring 2023** **Climate Systems**
Rutgers University
TA for Professor David Robinson
- Fall 2021** **Understanding COVID-19: Interdisciplinary Perspectives**
Rutgers University
Ran 3 weekly discussion sections, 15-25 students each

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2021** **The Nature of Cities Virtual Festival**
Stewardship Storytelling Circle: Embracing many ways of knowing urban nature
Presented with Lindsay Campbell, Erika Svendsen, Michelle Johnson, Sophie Plitt, and Marisa Prefer
- 2019** **Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference** Greenville, NC
Toward a Collaborative Urban Climate Future: Rethinking Civic Stewards as Planners
Presented with Holly Berman
- 2019** **The Nature of Cities Summit** Paris, France
Talk, Map, Act: Strengthening Environmental Stewardship through Storytelling
Presented with Lindsay Campbell, Erika Svendsen, and Michelle Johnson
- 2018** **Food and Agriculture Organization of the US - World Forum on Urban Forests** Mantova, Italy
Stewardship Stories from the Urban Forest: People as Positive Agents of Change
Presented with Lindsay Campbell, Erika Svendsen, and Michelle Johnson
- 2018** **SESYNC (Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center) Boundary Spanning Symposium** Annapolis, MD
Place-Based Approaches to Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response

INVITED TALKS

- 2021** **CUNY Climate Scholars** New York, NY
Communities of care: civic stewardship, social infrastructure, and disaster organizing
- 2022** **NYC Urban Field Station-Science of the Living City Brown Bag** New York, NY
Communities of care: Stewardship and Mutual Aid in Times of Crisis

POSTERS

2019 **Rutgers University Climate Symposium** New Brunswick, NJ
Reimagining Civic Stewardship Groups as Climate Adaptation Planners
Laura Landau, Holly Berman, Lindsay Campbell, Michelle Johnson, and Erika Svendsen

EXHIBITIONS

Sep. 2019 **Who Takes Care of New York?**
Community Partnership Gallery
The Queens Museum, Queens, NY

July 2018 **Stewardship Story Mapping: Share Your Story!**
Featured in: *Ecological Consciousness: Art As Instigator*
Wave Hill, Bronx, NY

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016-2019 **USDA Forest Service – New York City Urban Field Station**
Project Manager
Selected Projects: STEW-MAP (the Stewardship Mapping Assessment Project); *Green Readiness, Response, and Recovery: A Collaborative Synthesis*; Learning from Place Stewardship Salons; Queen's Museum Who Takes Care of New York Exhibition

Fall 2015 **The Office of NYC Council Member Brad Lander**
Policy Fellow

Spring 2015 **Pratt Institute**
Graduate Assistant for Dr. Nicholas Klein

SERVICE

2021-present **Peer Review**
Cities and the Environment (1)
Journal of Extreme Events (1)

2021 **Faculty Judge**
Catalyst for Change Social Justice Incubator at Rutgers University

2020 **Rutgers University President's Task Force on Carbon Neutrality and Climate Action**
Climate Preparedness working group member
Governance and Finance working group member

2020-2021 **Rutgers University Graduate Geographers Project**
Secretary

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2021 **MaGrann Summer Research Award**
Rutgers University

- 2019-2021** **C2R2 Coastal Climate Risk and Resilience Traineeship**
Rutgers University
- 2016** **Circle Award for Academic Excellence**
Pratt Institute
- 2015** **Partner in Justice Award**
Avodah: Sparking Jewish Leaders, Igniting Social Change