How do we effectively and creatively share calls for environmental stewardship and justice in Oceania with diverse global audiences? Students, artists, writers, scholars and policy makers are invited to participate in this workshop with acclaimed spoken word poet and environmental activist Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner.

Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner is a Marshall Islander poet and spoken word artist. She received international acclaim through her inspirational poetry performance at the opening of the United Nations Climate Summit in New York in 2014. The University of Arizona Press published her first collection of poetry, Iep Jāltok: Poems from a Marshallese Daughter.

Kathy co-founded the youth climate change non-profit Jo-Jikum dedicated to empowering Marshallese youth to seek solutions to climate change and other environmental impacts threatening their home island and was selected as one of 13 Climate Warriors by Vogue in 2015. She received her Masters in Pacific Island Studies from the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa.

The workshop will be facilitated by Katerina Teaiwa (School of Culture, History and Language), Sarah Milne (Crawford School of Public Policy) and Miranda Forsyth (RegNet).