

When Authors and Scientists Collide

Invited Talk

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Abstract. 'When it changed' and 'Litmus' have been two recent book projects from Comma Press, which brought together authors and scientists to produce anthologies of science-based short stories. Each story arose from the direct collaboration of one author and one scientist, and each was followed by a discussion of the motivating science. In this talk I will describe the interaction between myself as a scientist and two of the authors, our process of figuring out how to work together and the science of the two stories produced.

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Brief Biography

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