



ATMOS

BEYOND THE BIO-POLITICAL RECKONING

IMAGE: NELE AZEVEDO, A BEAUTIFUL DEATH

BIOS

What happens when life itself becomes the principle object for political strategies?

REFERENT OBJECT

Local Populations

Global Populations

Biospherical Life

LOGIC OF WORLDS

Newtonianism

Complexity Sciences

Anthropocentric Thought

POLITICAL ONTOLOGY

Being *in* the World

Emergent Life

Subjects of Crises

POLITICAL IMAGINARIES

Westphalia Peace

Catastrophic Topography

The Event Horizon

EPISTEMIC COMMUNITIES

Security Imperative

Insecurity by Design

Resilient Life

FUTURE PRESENT

Unending Progress

Terror Normality

Human Extinction

BEYOND BIOS

ATMOSPHERIC

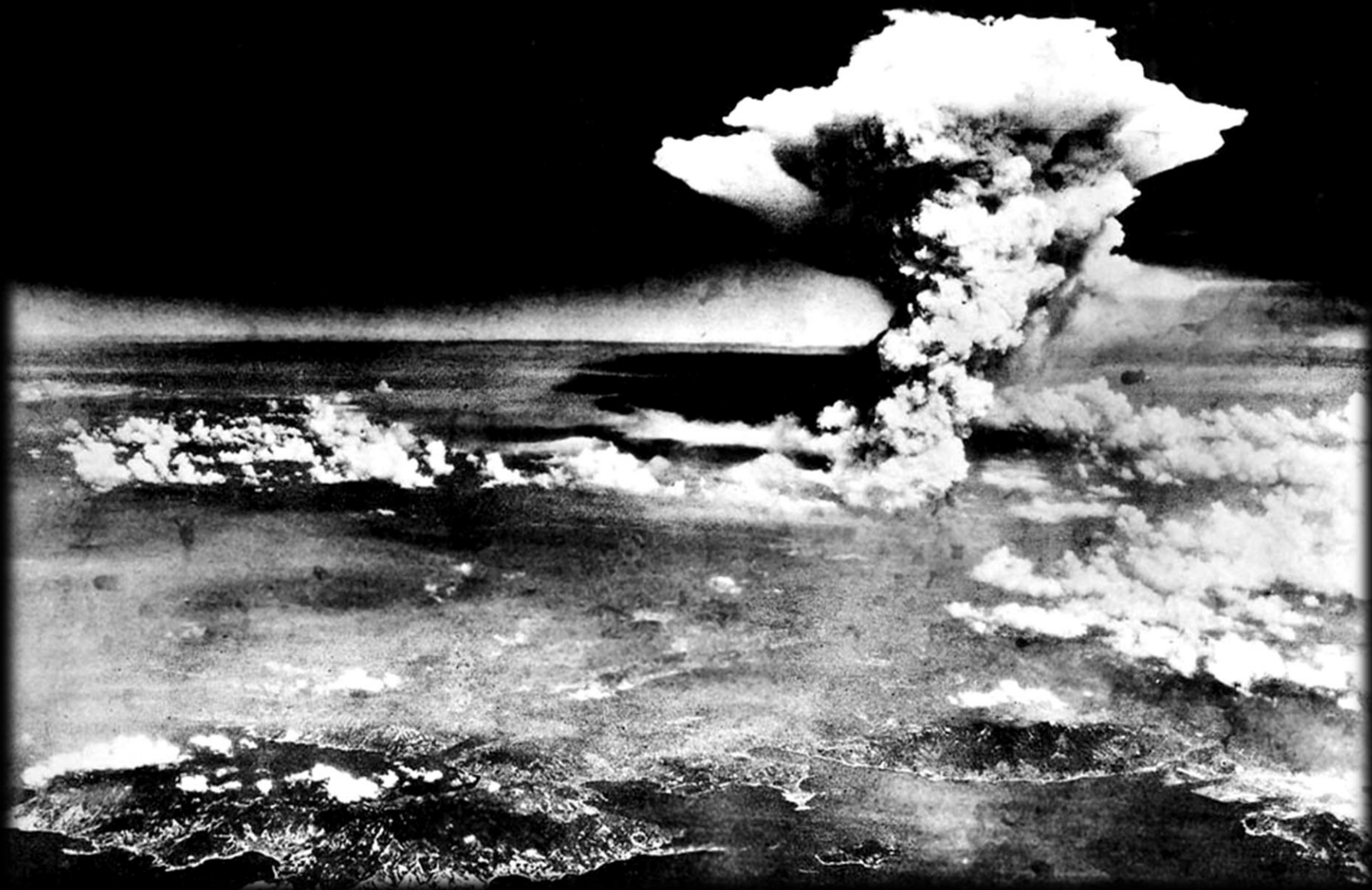
AESTHETIC

AFFECTIVE

CLIMATIC CONDITIONING













At first we feel nothing, we are insensitive, we are naturalised. And then suddenly we feel not something, but the absence of something we did not know before could possibly be lacking. Think of the poor soldiers on the front line, deep in their trenches, the 22nd of April 1915 near Ypres. They knew everything about bullets, shells, rats, death, mud, and fear – but air, they did not feel air, they just breathed it. And then, from this ugly, slow moving greenish cloud lingering over them, air is being removed. They begin to suffocate. Air has entered the list of what could be withdrawn from us. (Bruno Latour)

POLITICS OF ATMOSPHERE

How might we ethically move from a negative to affirmative relationship with the atmospheric?

FITNESS LANDSCAPING & RESILIENT LIFE



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Beyond 9/11

Tribute in Light Years
By Julian Lavender
and Paul Mendes,
co-creators of *Tribute in
Light* in New York City

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YEARS OF
**FEAR
GRIEF
REVENGE**

RESILIENCE



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While homeland security is about ensuring that fewer bad things happen, the real test is that when they inevitably do, they aren't as bad as they would have been absent the effort. Only our public and political response to another major terrorist attack will test whether there is room for both ideologies to thrive in a nation that was, any way you look at it, *built to be vulnerable*

(Juliette Kayeem, Dept Homeland Security)

THE RESILIENT IMAGINARY

Security to Resilience: Acceptance of the Catastrophic

Insecurity by Design: Epistemic Communities made through exposure to risks

Debasing the subject: conflation of resilience with resistance

Governmental Reason: Normalisation of pre-emptive governance

Evacuating the Social: Care for the Self replaces the Social State

Universal Deceit: Conceals widespread gendered, racial and class differences

Full Life Crises: On going emergency of emergent life

Violent imaginaries: Onset of “Premetic violence”



A NEW POLITICAL IMAGINARY?