

Cleveland Museum of Natural History Presents:

History, Nature, and Isolation: Rediscovering Icelandic, Australian, and New Zealand Food Cultures



October 26, Wednesday, 7:00 PM

Both Iceland and New Zealand are mere babies in geological terms. The countries are situated on the youngest landmasses in the world forged by fire and water: ice for Iceland and ocean for New Zealand. Their people live in the shadow of disaster: volcano eruptions for Iceland and earthquakes for New Zealand, and they consider dramatic changes and abrupt disruptions as mere facts of life. On the contrary, Australia, the world's largest island, is believed to be the oldest, flattest, and driest continent. And indigenous Australians or Aboriginals have been custodians of this land for at least 60,000 years.

Travel with Irene Shaland through these three countries to rediscover how their isolated location, unforgivable nature, and history of settlement shaped their food culture. (Includes admission to *Global Kitchen*, so arrive early to tour the exhibition)

Irene will introduce her latest book **"The Dao of Being Jewish and Other Stories: Seeking Jewish Narrative All Over the World."** The book signing follows the presentation.

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