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Review

Earth and World will make a superb contribution to environmental and continental ethics, and will be widely read and taught in continental philosophy as an anchor text for growing interest in rethinking response ethics in the context of environmental and interspecies ethics.

(Cynthia Willett, Emory University)

Not only does Oliver take up the ontological question concerning the meaning of earth and world, she also fully engages the social, political, and ethical dimensions of this relationship. This is an excellent book, well-composed, provocative at times, far-reaching in its implications, and enduringly relevant to current issues and concerns.

(Brian Schroeder, Rochester Institute of Technology)

Oliver connects Heidegger's pivotal distinction between Earth and World to deliberations on cosmopolitanism from Kant to Arendt and Derrida and to thinking earth as the sustaining ground of not-just-human life. Drawing effortlessly on film and popular culture, this is a brilliant, lucid, and highly readable companion to the *End Times*.

(David Wood, Vanderbilt University)

In her brilliant new book, Oliver demonstrates precisely why philosophy could never be the same 'after the Apollo Missions.' She explores in an absolutely lucid and compelling way the ethical challenges and opportunities that emerged at the moment our planet?our environment, our home?was seen from outer space as that 'blue marble.'

(Michael Naas, DePaul University)

Highly recommended.

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