

The 2023-24 MacKay History Lecture

From Nuclear Power to Nuclear War: **Ukraine's History as a Nuclear Colony**



Kate Brown,

Distinguished Professor in History of Science,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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Professor Kate Brown is a historian of science whose most recent book, *Manual for Survival: A Chernobyl Guide to the Future*, was a finalist for prizes including the National Book Critics Circle Award.

The author of three other enthusiastically-received books, Professor Brown's pathbreaking research has addressed the production of nuclear weapons within planned communities, the health and environmental consequences of nuclear fallout, and the intersections of science, technology, and bio-politics. She has held several fellowships, including most recently at the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in Amsterdam.

She is also co-founder of "History Unclassified," a special section of the *American Historical Review* incorporating contributions beyond the usual research article format.

Professor Brown is currently working on a history of the people and plants involved in urban agriculture and gardening in the 20th century.

Public lecture, all are welcome.

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