The Curtin Institute for Biodiversity and Climate (CIBC) invites you to the:

CIBC Seminar Series: 'The beginnings of environmental history in Western Australia'

*Presented by Geoffrey Bolton*

The establishment of Australia's first course in environmental history in 1977 built upon the work of a number of Western Australian historians who, working largely independently and in isolation, developed an early awareness of environmental factors in regional history. The genre was pioneered by Tom Sten in 1943 and developed by Barbara York Main and George Seddon in the 1960s before environmental policy and history became matters of national and international concern in the late 1960s and 1970s. This paper is a first attempt at assessing the contribution of these early Western Australians.

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**Date:** Wednesday 27 October 2010

**Time:** 12.30pm – 1.30pm

**Venue:** Building 307, Room 101, Curtin University
Kent Street, Bentley

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