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## **Urban metabolisms and everyday Anthropocene poetics**

The suggested new epoch of planetary human impact, The Anthropocene, dismantles nature-culture-divide and invites us to explore social, cultural and experiential aspects of global environmental problems. In my talk I will address the Anthropocene in the context of everyday experience. I am particularly interested in small scale urban metabolisms: local energy supply network and waste disposal processes and the effects these activities have on landscape and imagination. To give these questions a particular local context, I will present photographs of my hometown Forssa, a small town in southern Finland with industrial past and a future in circular economy. The photos are accompanied by a selection of quotes from humanities scholarship on the Anthropocene. I will also discuss Jukka Viikilä's poetry on waste and the material output of contemporary urban life and its aesthetic, experiential and conceptual dimensions.