Matter & Desire: An Erotic Ecology

Andreas Weber’s *Matter and Desire: An Erotic Ecology*, published in Germany in 2014, asks a radical and challenging question: Could it be that our planet is not suffering primarily from a financial crisis, or even an ecological one, but from a critical lack of love? In speaking of love and of eroticism, Weber is not referring to sentimental feelings, but to a new basis for ontology itself, based on a mix of cutting-edge biological findings and philosophical insights. Drawing on Goethean science, existentialism, radical phenomenology, depth psychology and his own encounters with the natural world in Central Europe, Weber writes poetically about reimagining our relationship to the Earth and all its inhabitants.

Rory Bradley’s translation of *Matter and Desire* will be published in July 2017 by Chelsea Green Publishing.

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