

Faculty LECTURE Series

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Tales from the hive and other
stories of animal intelligence

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The field of comparative psychology was launched in the wake of Charles Darwin's assertions of mental continuity between animals and humans. An early period of anthropomorphic anecdotes of animal intelligence gave way to more serious research with species closely related to humans. Recent work with honeybees, a species only remotely related to humans, has added intriguing complexity to the field. This talk will illustrate some of the ingenious methods developed for research on the learning and memory of honeybees, highlight the most remarkable findings, and also touch on contemporary threats to honeybees in Hawai'i and elsewhere.

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UH Hamilton Library, Room 301

3:30 - 4:30 PM

Admission free, Refreshments provided

Doors open at 3:15 PM

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