

## JAMES LOVELOCK & HANS ULRICH OBRIST ever gaia

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book launch with Hans Ulrich Obrist, author Luigi Alberto Cippini, curator and Sebastian Clark, co-founder of ISOLARII

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"The humanism of the past five hundred years is dead. Believing man was exceptional, it opened the abyss of extinction. A new approach is needed to establish the commonality of all life on Earth. This is not just the task of politics and philosophy. It requires the effort of all those who tear down convention in order to preserve what is meaningful. That is, the preservation not just of environments, but myth, irrationality, autonomy, and adventure. To these ends, *isolarii* revive the 'island books' that emerged in Venice at the start of the Renaissance—each a ready-to-hand island, a pocket of resistance, where time and space function differently. Together, a growing archipelago—a world of many worlds, not a globe." —ISOLARII

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Over the course of his career, **James Lovelock** set the terms by which we've come to understand life—biologically, societally, poetically—in the twenty-first century. He helped NASA complete missions to Mars and the moon; he invented devices that revealed the presence of harmful chemicals in the Earth's atmosphere, inspiring Rachel Carson to write *Silent Spring*; and he formulated the Gaia hypothesis, the deceptively simple idea that our planet could be viewed as a single self-regulating organism—everything entangled, everything acting upon everything else.

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