

# Elizabeth Kolbert

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Pulitzer Prize-winning science writer and journalist Elizabeth Kolbert traveled from Alaska to Greenland, and visited top scientists, to get to the heart of the debate over global warming. Her book, *The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History*, a book about mass extinctions that weaves intellectual and natural history with reporting in the field began as an article in *The New Yorker*. It was a *New York Times* 2014 Top Ten Best Book of the Year and is number one on the *Guardian's* list of the 100 Best Nonfiction Books of all time. *The Sixth Extinction* also won the 2015 Pulitzer Prize in the General Nonfiction category and was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle awards for the best books of 2014. In 2019 it was the chosen book for the Chicago Public Library's One Book, One Chicago program, and was also named as one of *Slate's* 50 Best Nonfiction Books of the Past 25 Years. Her next book, *Under a White Sky: The Nature of the Future*, was a national bestseller and was named one of the best books of the year by the *Washington Post*, *Time*, *Esquire*, *Smithsonian Magazine*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Kirkus Reviews*, and *Library Journal*. It was also recommended by President Obama and Bill Gates.

Growing out of a groundbreaking three-part series in *The New Yorker* (which won the 2006 National Magazine Award in the category Public Interest), *Field Notes from a Catastrophe: Man, Nature, and Climate Change* brings the environment into the consciousness of the American people and asks what, if anything, can be done, and how we can save our planet.

Elizabeth Kolbert's stories have also appeared in *The New York Times Magazine*, *Vogue*, and *Mother Jones*, and have been anthologized in *The Best American Science and Nature Writing* and *The Best American Political Writing*. She edited *The Best American Science and Nature Writing 2009*. A collection of her work, *The Prophet of Love and Other Tales of Power and Deceit*, was published in 2004. Prior to joining the staff of *The New Yorker*, Kolbert was a political reporter for *The New York Times*.