# African Studies Center Michigan State University

#### March 20, 2018

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Welcome to the African Studies Center's Newsletter and list of upcoming events, speaker presentations, tea times, conferences, jobs and other exciting opportunities.

Please feel free to visit our website for more information: http://www.africa.isp.msu.edu

### **Alliance for African Partnership**

To learn more about the Alliance for African Partnership, aap.isp.msu.edu

## **Eye On Africa Speaker Series**

To learn more about Eye on Africa, <a href="http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/">http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/</a>



#### AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Dr. Monson's Keynote Speech**

AEGIS CRG Africa in the World Conference Museum of Ethnography, Steenstraat 1, Leiden March 22, 10:00- 11:30am



In the spirit of the Year of Global Africa, we are excited to announce that the African Studies Center director, Dr. Jamie Monson, will be giving the keynote speech at this year's AEGIS CRG Africa in the World Conference, to be held on March 22-23 in the Netherlands.

Dr. Monson's <u>lecture</u> is titled "View from the Platform: Moving Global Goods on the TAZARA Railway", and she will speak on March 22.

Read more about the conference here

## Eye on Africa

(Seminars are live-streamed at <a href="http://eyeonafrica.matrix.msu.edu/">http://eyeonafrica.matrix.msu.edu/</a>)

Thursday, March 22, 2018 12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

# ""Toxic Stress, Socio-emotional Adjustment and Quality of Life in HIV-affected and Unaffected School-aged Children from Uganda"

Eye on Africa with Dr Amara Ezeamama, MSU, Psychiatry Osteopathic Medicine

Thursday, March 29, 2018 12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"Perspectives on the Nature and Source of Tension between Governments of Resource Rich Countries, Investors and the Public."

Eye on Africa with Dr. Sheila Khama, Practice Manager for the World Bank's Energy and Extractive Industries Global Practice

African Tea Time- Open To Everyone
An opportunity to learn about and share first hand knowledge of the African
continent
Learn, Share, Engage!

Thursdays-4:00-6:00pm 427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 303 International Center

March 29: Zimbabwe & Democratic Republic of Congo

April 12: Cote D'Ivoire & Mozambique\*

You can see the complete 2017-2018 Tea Time calendar <u>here.</u>

(\*will be held in rm 201).



## The Weekly African Trivia Challenge

This semester, our weekly bulletin will feature a trivia question. You are invited to send your responses to africa@campusad.msu.edu. The first three correct answers will receive a prize!\*\*

#### This Week's Question..

Danai Gurira and Lupita Nyong'o recently stole the show as Okoye and Nakia in the blockbuster movie, Black Panther. To which two African countries do they respectively trace their heritage?

(\*\* prizes available for pick-up at the African Studies Center only. If you are unable to pick up, consider sending someone to do so for you).

## **MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS**

March 24- March 31

The MSU Year of Global Africa continues to thrill, and this time it's the African students taking the

lead!

Join the various student organizations as they come together to host an exciting series of events which include a soccer tournament, an awards show, among others!

For up-to-date information on the week, visit the Facebook events page <u>here!</u>



## **Special Collections Open House**

Afrofuturism: Origins and Influences of the Black Panther Special Collections Seminar Room (Main Library:1 West) Wednesday March 21, 2pm-5pm

The film Black Panther has been received with much enjoyment and acclaim.

However, the Black Panther's appearance in comics in the 1960s inspired much more.

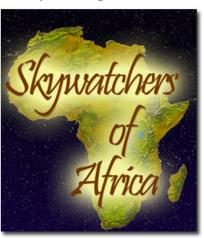
In this pop-up open house, we explore the origins of the Black Panther, in #52 of Marvel's Fantastic Four and later in Jungle Action. We also explore how the Black Panther has influenced Afrofuturism in comic art and other genres through items in our Special Collections.

From sci-fi fiction to art, Afrofuturism is at one time a creative, a theoretical, and an inspirational force that is actively shaping and rewriting the Black experience.

Come discover the material behind the movie, and see why Afrofuturism matters

### **Abrams Planetarium Public Shows**

Skywatchers of Africa Fridays and Saturdays 8:00 p.m. Sundays 4:00 p.m. (until March 25th)



For thousands of years, Africans have used their knowledge of the sky to build their societies, shape their spiritual lives, and meet their physical needs for survival. Skywatchers of Africa highlights the diversity of African astronomy, examines cultural uses of the sky that developed throughout history, and celebrates our shared human experience.

Admission prices for all shows are: Adults, \$4.50; Students and seniors, \$4.00; and children age 12 and under, \$3.50. Parking is free.

For more information on the program, call 517-355-4672

MLK Commemorative Week with Dr. Robert L Green



JOIN UNIVERSITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT FOR A TALK, DISCUSSION, AND LUNCH Wednesday, April 4 | 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. registration; 11:30 a.m. welcome remarks; 11:45 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. Kellogg Center

Join Dr <u>Green</u>, as he discusses Relevance of Dr. King's Message of Healing Justice in Modern Social Justice Movements. Register <u>here!</u>

ALSO JOIN US 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Commemoration of the First MSU MLK Assassination Protest March MSU Student Union, BSA

## **The Muslim Studies Program Presents**

The 2018 Filmfest & Locating Muslim Cinema(s) Conference 303 International Center April 12-13, 2018

For a the full schedule and more details on this ASC-cosponsored conference, visit the event page here.

#### **Financing Education Abroad Information Session**

Thursday, April 19, 2018, 3-4 PM B122 Wells Hall

Do you want to study abroad but are not sure how to pay for it? The Office for Education Abroad and the Office of Financial Aid have teamed up to offer you a workshop on finding funding for education abroad. Come learn about scholarships, financial aid and creative ways of financing study abroad! This event is being held as part of the 2018 Money Smart Week: http://moneysmartu.hdfs.msu.edu/.

Rethinking Silence, Gender & Power in Insecure Sites: Implications for Feminist Security Studies and Feminist Global Political Economy in a Postcolonial World

Dr. Jane Parpart, University of Massachusetts, Boston Friday, April 20 1:30-3:00pm, B310 Wells Hall

Silence is no longer simply a symptom of powerlessness. It has emerged as a tool for empowerment, an alternative source of protection and power. Silence has become a form of action, often intertwined with voice, but powerful on its own. Dr. Parpart will discuss this more complex understanding of silence and voice in order to evaluate gender in insecure sites #MSUGlobalAfrica



#### **Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives Events Calendar**

Throughout this Year of Global Africa (#MSUGlobalAfrica), the African Studies Center is collaborating with the Office of Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives in showcasing various events. For more information on upcoming Year of Global Africa events (as well as others), visit the Office of Inclusion and Intercultural Initiative's calendar here.

## **Grants and Fellowships**

## Tanzania Partnership Program

Request for Research Proposals

Deadline: April 23, 2018

The MSU Tanzania Partnership Program announces a Request for Research Proposals: Tanzanian Partnership Program (TPP) is a long-term, collaborative alliance of local and international organizations dedicated to improving local livelihoods. TPP's mission is to promote resilient communities in developing countries and create a model for sustainable prosperity. TPP has released a Request for Proposals for research grants to support:

- TPP strategic priorities: Community Empowerment and Resilience; Water Access and Quality; Education Access and Quality; Human Health Access and Quality; Animal Health and Resources; Food Security, Agriculture and Economic Development
- Research methodologies that generate new knowledge in TPP priority areas within the context
  of community development and empower communities to co-create innovative, sustainable
  solutions and improve lives.
- Research processes that embody TPP's community-engaged approach as articulated in TPP core principles: sustainable, integrative, interdisciplinary, participatory, adaptive, and collaborative.
- Interdisciplinary workgroups committed to an inclusive, adaptive design approach (e.g.
  human-centered design), co-led by faculty members at MSU and Tanzanian universities, and
  comprised of inclusive partners from local communities, governments, non-governmental
  organizations, and industry.

TPP research grants will provide funding for two years with a total amount not exceeding \$25,000. The application deadline is April 23, 2018. Proposals should be submitted to pscdtpp@msu.edu. Interested applicants are encouraged to review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and register for a webinar on March 29 via the TPP website http://pscd.isp.msu.edu/.

## **Other Announcements**

2018 Visiting African Artist:Dr. Abena P.A. Busia WRITER, POET, FEMINIST, LECTURER, AND DIPLOMAT March 21-23, 2018 | UM-Flint and the Flint Public Library

Dr. Busia is a Ghanian-born poet and professor of Women and Gender Studies at Rutgers University. She is also Ghana's Ambassador to Brazil. While in Flint, she will present a public lecture at the University of Michigan-Flint and a Community Educators Workshop and Author Forum for High School Students at the Flint Public Library. All events are free and open to the public.

The Visiting African Artist Series is a collaboration with the University of Michigan-Flint and the Flint Public Library, presented by the UM-Flint Department of Africana Studies, Women's and Gender Studies, the International and Global Studies Program, the Women's Education Center, and with support from the Office of the Provost.

For more information, contact 810.762.3353



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