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Spring #12

This is the Year of Global Africa!

The Year of Global Africa explores MSU's rich history and connection with our many partners across Africa and throughout the African Diaspora through diverse scholarship, engagement, and activities. The weekly Newsletter provides a list of upcoming events, speaker presentations, tea times, conferences, jobs and other exciting opportunities related to the Year of Global Africa

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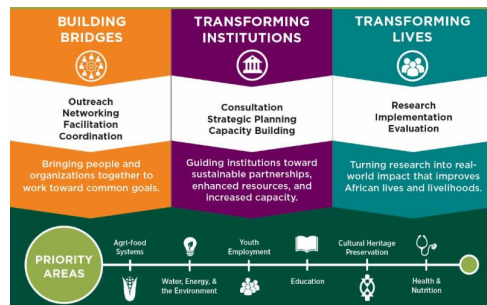
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Alliance for African Partnership

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Eye On Africa Speaker Series

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AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eye on Africa

(Seminars are live-streamed at <http://eyeonafrika.matrix.msu.edu/>)

**Thursday, April 5, 2018
12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center**

"Agricultural Policy & Regulation in Sub-Saharan Africa: Lessons for Increasing Investment."

Eye on Africa with Katrin Kuhlmann (president and founder of the New Markets Lab), Joshua Ariga (Senior Economist), and Nicole Mason (assistant professor, MSU).

Thursday, April 12, 2018

"Natural Resource Management and Public Health : The Role of Boarding Schools in Meru, Kenya."

Eye on Africa with Father Francis Limo Riwa, founder of the Children's Village in Meru, Kenya

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

*April 12: Cote D'Ivoire & Mozambique**

You can see the complete 2017- 2018 Tea Time calendar [here](#).

(*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..

This week, the world lost an Anti-Apartheid icon. Who was it?

(** 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

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 [Green](#), as he discusses Relevance of Dr. King's Message of Healing Justice in Modern Social Justice Movements. Register [here!](#)

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](#).

Book Launch, Discussion and Signing w Greg Marinovich

Wednesday, 18 Apr 2018: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mosaic Multicultural Unity Center, 2nd floor MSU Union

The Year of Global Africa and Michigan State University Press present a Book Launch with author Greg Marinovich: Meet the Author, book discussion, and book signing. Marinovich speaks about his experience documenting the truth behind South Africa's Marikana massacre, which killed 34 platinum miners in 2012. His book about the massacre, *Murder at Small Koppie: The Real Story of South Africa's Marikana Massacre*, won the 2017 Alan Paton Prize for Non-Fiction.

Marinovich is a Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist, author, and filmmaker. He was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University and teaches Visual Journalism at Boston University and Harvard University. Free

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/>.

States of Refuge

A Conference in Recognition of Professor Ken Harrow and a Tribute to the English Graduate Program

April 20 2018, 9am- 5 30pm

302-303 International Center

For more info on the conference, visit the page [here](#).

STATES OF REFUGE

A CONFERENCE IN RECOGNITION OF PROFESSOR KEN HARROW
AND A TRIBUTE TO THE ENGLISH GRADUATE PROGRAM



One of the defining and intractable issues in contemporary literature of the Global South, African, South Asian, and Postcolonial in general, is displaced people seeking refuge across national boundaries. This Symposium is a reflection on the different states and cycles of displacement, assimilation, and return, and of the disruptions and transformations of State institutions and structures that mediate these transitions in politics and culture.

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APRIL 20, 2018 | 9 AM TO 5:30 PM
302-303 INTERNATIONAL CENTER
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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

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Dr. Parpart is research professor in the Department of Conflict Resolution, Human Security, and Global Governance at the University of Massachusetts, Boston.

Reception to follow in the Erickson Kiva from 2:30 - 3:30 PM

Co-sponsored by the Center for Gender in Global Context, International Studies & Programs, James Madison College, African Studies Center, College of Social Science, Department of Sociology, & Department of Philosophy.

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](#).

Funding Opportunities

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

Makuwerere! King Isaac's Coat of Many Colours

Album Launch Celebration:

Saturday, April 14, 6pm- 8pm

4930 S. Hagardon Rd. MSU Community Music School, East Lansing, MI 48823

Join MSU's very own Grammy-nominated "King" Isaac Kalumbu for an entertaining evening of videos, stories, and performances. Food will be served, and donations will be taken at the door.

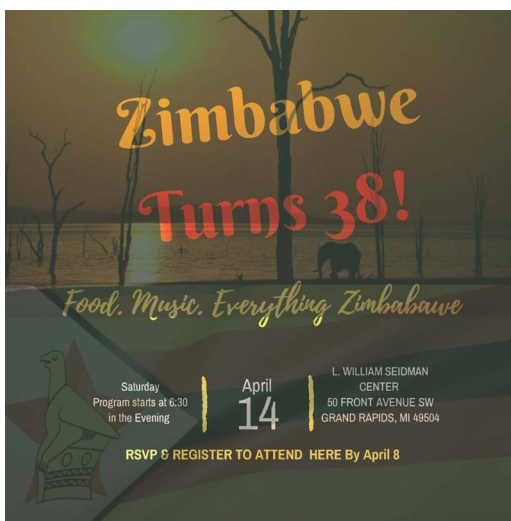
See you there.



Zimbabwean Independence Day Celebration- Grand Rapids

April 14 2018, 6:30pm- 11pm

Location: L. William Seidman Center, 50 Front Avenue Southwest, Grand Rapids, MI 49504



Zimbabwe turns 38, April 18, 2018. The Grand Rapids Zim Community and the African Student Council at Grand Valley State University, Michigan will celebrate this 38 birthday and the new dispensation on Saturday April 14 at the beautiful Grand Valley State University Pew Campus. Come one. Come all.

Food Music, and Everything Zimbabwean! Free admission. Please RSVP at the link [here](#).

"Must Herskovitz Fall?" Whiteness & African Studies...

Professor Jean Allman Presentation at University of Michigan
April 17 2018, 4pm- 6pm: 4701 Haven Hall

On Tuesday, April 17, 2018 [Professor Jean Allman](#) will be visiting U-M from Washington University, St Louis. The workshop will meet as usual from 4-6PM in 4701 Haven Hall.

The provisional title of her paper is: "Must Herskovitz Fall? A Meditation on Whiteness, African Studies, and the Unfinished Business of 1968." This paper is a draft of Professor Allman's 2018 Presidential Address for the African Studies Association Annual meeting. Paper will be circulated one week prior to the workshop.

Professor Jean Allman's research is concerned with questions of nation and national identity, gender and colonialism, fashion and the politics of clothing, and the modernity and mobility of indigenous belief systems. Her new project is aimed at re-examining "nation times" - a time when the West African state of Ghana was a pivotal site for imagining an entirely new, non-aligned world; when Ghanaians, joined by a host of transnational actors (African-American activists and intellectuals, Irish and Welsh nationalists, anti-nuclear peace activists, South African communists, Caribbean Pan-Africanists) cooperated, colluded and collided over how to build a non-racial, anti-imperialist, nuclear free world at the height of the Cold War. She is author of "I Will Not Eat Stone": A Woman's History of Colonial Asante" (2000); "Fashioning Africa: Power and the Politics of Dress" (2004) and TONGNAAB: The History of a West African God (2005).

Reminder 2018 ASA Awards: Call for Nominations

Deadline for Nominations: April 30



Reminder the African Studies Association is pleased to announce that we are accepting nominations for several awards and prizes in 2018.

To see full list of awards, and to nominate, visit their page [here](#).

The African Studies Association is also pleased to announce a call for submissions for the newly created 2018 ASA Program Cover Art Prize. We invite members to share their creative talents by submitting original artwork to be featured as the 2018 ASA Program Cover. The Prize will be awarded to the artist whose submission best exemplifies and celebrates the Annual Meeting theme and is appropriate for the ASA Annual Meeting program cover.

More details, and how to apply, [here](#).

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