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Fall #3, September 15th 2020

AFRICA @ MSU THIS WEEK



Eye on Africa Fall Schedule

Welcome to the MSU African Studies Center's Eye On Africa speaker series. Due to the restrictions on travel and assembly imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, we will meet virtually throughout the fall. Please follow this link for the fall 2020 Eye On Africa schedule and for the required one-time registration:

Fall Schedule | Register Here

Speakers for Eye on Africa

African Studies Center Core Faculty: Please remember you can suggest speakers for Eye on Africa at any time. To do so, please fill out this <u>form</u>.

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The African Studies Center is accepting applications for <u>The Roger Meece Awards</u> and <u>The Nnamdi Azikiwe</u> International African Student Fellowship. The deadline for these Awards has been extended to October 15.

African Studies Center Faculty Fall Welcome



Photo of ASC Director, Jamie Monson and ASC/AAP Events Coordinator, Lisa Frugé

Date: Tuesday, September 15th, 2020

Time: 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM (EST)

Join us as we welcome our faculty for a brand new year! Unfortunately due to COVID, we will be having this meeting virtually, but still have fun activities planned. Please bring your favorite kitchen, household, or gardening tool!

Register Here

2020 Community Welcome Picnic

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MSU African Student Organizations, together with the African Studies Center, invite you to the annual African and Africanist Fall Welcome Picnic. Come join us in welcoming new students and visitors to MSU and to the African community at MSU!

This year our event will be virtual due to COVID-19

Regardless, we will have fun activities as well as special break out rooms to allow you to connect with new and old friends and learn more about opportunities to engage within the African community and the larger MSU community.



Date: Friday, September 18th, 2020 **Time:** 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (EST)

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Ubuntu Dialogues - Call for Participants



We are looking for MSU undergraduate and graduate students for an exciting opportunity to participate in cross-cultural conversations between the U.S. and South African students on critical issues facing young people in today's world!

Contact Dr. Upenyu Majee (majeeupe@msu.edu) for more info.

Full Statement

Ubuntu Dialogues: Virtual Webinar

Date: Tuesday, September 29th, 2020

Time: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (EST)

Join our virtual webinar where we will have speakers; Unifier Dyer (PhD Candidate at University of Wisconsin-Madison & Rhoda Malgas (PhD Candidate at Stellenboch University) where they will discuss their research relating to *Ubuntu and Women's Experiences as Epistemology* and *Biocultural Heritage in the Cape Floristic Region*, respectively.

More Info | Register Here

AAP Bridge and PIRA Launch



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Please join the Alliance for African Partnership as we launch the AAP Bridge, our new collaboration platform that allows members to easily identify and contact AAP faculty members in response to research and funding opportunities while staying informed of consortium news, events, and scholarly articles. To celebrate the launch of the AAP Bridge, we will announce our new Partnerships for Innovative Research in Africa (PIRA) funding opportunity, which is a new round of grants focused on early career researchers, Africa / Asia partnerships, and youth initiatives.

Register Here

'Discover Ethiopia Än the DMV' Workshop by Africa Access



Date: Thursday, September 17th, 2020

Time: 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (EDT)

In connection with the current National Museum of African Art exhibit Heroes: Principles of African Greatness, Brenda Randolph of Africa Access will facilitate *Discover Ethiopia in the DMV*, a professional development workshop for K-12 educators with resources that highlight insight on Ethiopia and Eritrea gained through an exploration of local sites in metropolitan Washington, DC. Educators throughout the US are invited to participate and learn how to identify sites in their own communities.

Register Here

First AAU Virtual Homecoming



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2020

The Association of African Universities (AAU), in collaboration with the African Union and the Government of Ghana, is inviting all educational stakeholders to the first Virtual AAU-Academic Diaspora Homecoming.

The overall objective of the Homecoming is to strengthen collaboration and partnership among research and educational institutions of higher learning in Africa and the African Diaspora to advance quality of education and general wellbeing of all persons of African descent.

Main Theme:

Advancing African and Diasporan Academic Relations

Date: September 28th - 30th, 2020 **Time:** 15:00 (GMT), 11:00AM (EST).

Kindly convert the time to your local time.

Venue: Virtual, Association of African Universities'E-Forum

Registration: https://cutt.ly/Bo9XWFz

Sub-themes

- 1. Role of the Diaspora in Higher Education and Innovation in Africa
- 2. Strengthening relationships between **US Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and African universities**
- Women of African Descent in Higher Education: Opportunities and Challenges.
- 4. **Higher Education:** A Panacea to Racism and Promoting Social Justice



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collaboration and partnership among research and educational institutions of higher learning in Africa and the Diaspora to advance quality of education for all persons of African descent. The event is intended to be a major gathering of academics, policy makers, professional associations, research institutions, regional diplomatic missions and student associations from Africa and the diaspora.

More Info | Register Here

PeaceQuest 2020

PeaceQuestGreaterLansing.org

Date: September 1st - September 27th, 2020

PeaceQuest is a community-wide celebration in the Greater Lansing area held every September to celebrate the United Nations International Day of Peace, which was declared by the UN General Assembly with a resolution passed unanimously in 1981. PeaceQuest brings us ALL together for fun and interesting activities with friends, family, and community while focusing on ways we can promote peace, resolve conflicts, learn about other faiths and cultures, and encourage mutual understanding.

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More Info | Full Schedule

The Connection Between UN, UNA, and Black Lives Matter, What is Happening Nationally and Locally

Presented by United Nations Association - Greater Lansing and Co-Sponsors

PeaceQuestGreaterLansing.org

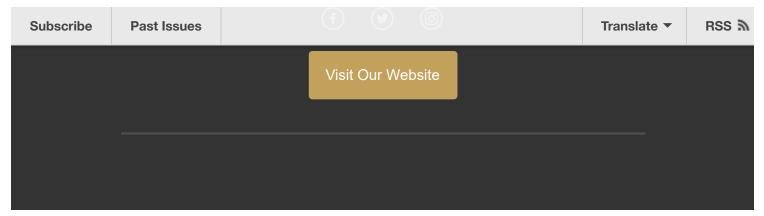
Date: Wednesday, September 16th, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM (EST)

As our nation continues to seek justice and equity for our communities of color, our speakers will address the connections between the United Nations, United Nations Association and the Black Lives Matter movement. Learn what is being done on the local and the national levels.

This event is a part of PeaceQuest Greater Lansing.

Register Here



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