

Fall #2, September 8th 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](#)

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

2020 African & Africanist Community Welcome Picnic

Date: September 18, 2020

Time: 3:00pm-4:30pm EST

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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.



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MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

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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 Stellenbosch 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.

Registration information for this event will be provided soon.

MSU Graduate Certification in Community Engagement

Accepting Applications Now

Application Due Date: Friday, September 11th, 2020, 5:00 PM (EST)

Michigan State University's Graduate Certification in Community Engagement prepares students for academic and professional careers that integrate scholarship with community engagement.

their program of study to strengthen their scholarly and practical skills in community-engaged research and creative activities, community-engaged teaching and learning, community-engaged service and practice, and/or community-engaged commercialization activities.

[More Info](#)

AAP Bridge and PIRA Launch



Date: Wednesday, September 23rd, 2020

Time: 8:00 AM (EDT) / 12:00 PM (GMT) / 1:00 PM (WAST) / 2:00 PM (SAST) / 3:00 PM (EAT)



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.

Registration information for this event will be provided soon.

'Discover Ethiopia in the DMV' Workshop by Africa Access



**Expanding Perspectives
on Africa** Book By Book

Date: Thursday, September 17th, 2020

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

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



AFRICAN ACADEMIC DIASPORA VIRTUAL HOMECOMING 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**

and Challenges.

4. **Higher Education:** A Panacea to Racism and Promoting Social Justice



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[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.

PeaceQuest is for ALL!

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