

# EYE ON AFRICA

MSU African Studies Center

**SPEAKER SERIES**

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## FALL 2023 SCHEDULE

**TIME:** 12:00 – 1:30 PM (EST)

**Location:** Virtual, [Register on Zoom](#)



**African Studies Center**  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

\*Hybrid (International Center Room 303 and on Zoom)

DATE	NAME/AFFILIATION	TOPIC
September 7	<b>Maimouna Dembele</b> Music in Africa	African Music in the Global Market
September 14	No Lecture	
September 21	<b>Dannica Fleuss</b> Centre for Future Media, Democracy and Society. Dublin City University	Climate Justice Through African Eyes
September 28*	<b>Ubuntu Dialogues</b> Panel Discussions	From Abstraction to Application, and Back: The Ubuntu Potential to Transform and Restore Communities
October 5*	<b>Avasha Rambiritch</b> Unit for Academic Literacy University of Pretoria	Crafting a South African writing centre: The value of context-specific, evidence-based practices
October 12	<b>Oyeronke Oyewumi</b> Department of Sociology Stony Brook University	What is Not in a Name? On the Epistemic Value of African Names
October 19	<b>Martha Wilfahrt</b> Department of Political Science University of California, Berkely	A Precolonial Paradox: Concept Development and Measurement of Africa's Historical Political Centralization
October 26	<b>Horace Campbell</b> African American Studies Syracuse University, NY	Sequences of Militarism in the Sahel: Lessons from Niger
November 2	<b>Somadoda Fikeni</b> Chairperson Public Service Commission, South Africa	Dilemmas and Opportunities for Africa: Navigating Emergence of a New World Order in a Volatile and Polarized world
November 9	<b>Anita Plummer</b> Department of African Studies Howard University	Kenya's Engagement with China: Discourse, Power and Agency

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November 16*	<b>André Odendaal</b> University of the Western Cape former Director of the Robben Island Museum in South Africa	African Intellectual Traditions and Agency in the Making of South Africa's Constitution
November 23	Thanksgiving	No Lecture
November 30	ASA Conference	No Lecture