Welcome to the 2017-2018 Academic year!
And 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, http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/

AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eye on Africa

Thursday, September 14, 2017
12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"MSU's major role in controlling and eliminating neglected tropical diseases."
Eye on Africa with Charles MacKenzie, MSU Veterinary Pathologist

Thursday, September 21, 2017
12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"Gun Running, Guerrila Warfare, and Technological Change in the late Nineteenth
Century South Africa"
Eye on Africa with Akil Cornelius, PhD Candidate, History
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

September 7** The Gambia, Lesotho
(** to be held in Room 201 International Center)

September 21: Malawi and Sierra Leone

You can see the complete 2017-2018 Tea Time calendar here.

Congratulations!!

We would like to congratulate the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship awardees for the 2017-2018 school year. All the best to the following:

**Academic Year Graduate Awards**
Dawson McCall - Intermediate Swahili
Ryan Carty - Intermediate Hausa
Clarence George III - Advanced Zulu
Christina Scheller - Advanced Bambara
Michelle Solorio - Intermediate Bamanakan
Rachel Jones - Intermediate Wolof

**Academic Year Undergraduate Awards**
Emily Skupin - Intermediate Zulu
Ashley Nance - Panek - Intermediate Swahili
Maggie Dehart - Intermediate Zulu

MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS

African Fall Welcome Picnic
Saturday, September 9th @4pm
Spartan Village Pavilion, 65 Middlevale Rd, East Lansing, Mi 48825

The African Graduate Student Association (AGSA), in collaboration with the African Student Union (ASU), African Student Leadership Association (ASLA), and the Somali Association of Michigan, invite you to the annual Welcome Back Picnic. Students, faculty, and community members alike are all invited! Food and camaraderie galore!

For more information on the picnic, email adebiyij@msu.edu

"Telling the Migrant Labor Story: Lwandle Museum in Post-Apartheid South Africa"
September 11 @12:15pm- 1:30pm
MSU Museum Auditorium

Masa Soko, Program Manager
Lwandle Migrant Labour Museum

Bongani Mgijima, Director
Stellenbosch University Museum, and Former Director
Lwandle Migrant Labour Museum

Co-sponsored by the MSU African Studies Center

Ubuntu: Museums and Communities Connect
September 13 @12pm- 1pm
International Center, Rm 201

A group of South African museum and cultural heritage workers are visiting MSU from September 11-13 as part of the Ubuntu project funded by the MSU Alliance for African Partnership initiative. The delegation includes: Vanessa Mitchell, senior education specialist, Robben Island Museum; Dean Jacobs, projects manager, Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation; Masa Soko, program manager, Lwandle Migrant Labour Museum; Bongani Mgijima, CEO, Stellenbosch University Museum; Ulrich Wolff, Curator, Stellenbosch University Museum; Erhardt Thiel, artist and coordinator of iMadiba project; Alberic Vollmer, principal, DreamFuel and founder, Museum Teen Summit Africa; Abraham Collins, principal, DreamFuel and founder, Museum Teen Summit Africa; Bonke Tyhulu, CEO, Nelson Mandela Museum

For more information on this visit, contact Marsha Macdowell at macdowell@msu.edu or Kurt Dewhurst, dewhurs1@msu.edu.
The Fashion and Tradition of Head Wrapping
Presented by Zarinah El-Amin Naeem
Thursday, September 14 @12:30-1:30pm, Patenge Room C-102 East Fee
MSU Department of Psychiatry

Zarinah El-Amin Naeem will discuss the unique history of wrapping across the globe. Her company, Beautifully Wrapped, is an international, interfaith organization that brings together people of all cultures and ethnicities to showcase the art form of head-wrapping as a way to promote beauty, spiritual identity and holistic health and healing. We endeavor to inspire, enlighten, and empower women of all walks of life through education, publications, media, and fashion.

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CONFERENCES & PUBLISHING

Learning Abroad Conference
Save the Date & Call for Papers
Friday, November 17th, 2017 @1pm, MSU International Center
Submission Deadline: October 2, 2017

Co-sponsored by Office for Education Abroad, the Office for International Students and Scholars, and the Academic Advancement Network, the Learning Abroad Conference (LAC) features presentations from students returned from international learning experiences and international students currently studying abroad here in East Lansing. Presentations include a variety of formats such as poetry, journal entries, music compositions, video, and more. The conference gives voice to the student experience through a variety of creative media so fellow students as well as the greater MSU community can better understand the nature and impacts of students learning abroad.

Read more about the conference here!

International Conference on African Development
Save the Date & Call for Papers
August 3-5, 2018, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA

To access past conference papers see the International Conferences on African Development Archives. Selected papers will be reviewed for publication in CADPR-sponsored International Journal of African Development.

This conference has been held biannually both in Michigan and in Ethiopia. The most recent was held in Ethiopia with collaboration between three universities. The 10th anniversary ICAD will invite both past participants and new scholars across disciplines including African, International and US alumni from WMU in economics, political science, statistics, biological sciences, chemistry, geology, education, psychology, business, philosophy, nursing and
engineering.

For more information, and to submit a proposal, visit the conference site.