

## **AFRICAN STUDIES PROGRAM**

### **FRIDAY BULLETIN**

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2009**

**Welcome new students! Please stop by the African Studies office to say hello!**

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NOTE: In addition to the full text contained in this message, the Friday Bulletin is attached as a Word document. If you have announcements or information appropriate for the Bulletin, please send it to [ascharfe@indiana.edu](mailto:ascharfe@indiana.edu), preferably by Wednesday at noon.

#### **1.Upcoming ASP Events**

##### **AFRICAN STUDIES PROGRAM FALL RECEPTION**

**Friday, September 11, 4:00-6:00pm**

**University Faculty Club, IMU.**

**Please join ASP staff, colleagues, students, and friends for refreshments and conversation. We look forward to seeing you there.**

##### **“Democratic Processes, Violence, and Reconstruction in Africa”**

**Friday, September 25, 2009**

**IUPUI University Place Conference Center, Indianapolis**

(full presenter biographies in attached document)

##### **Presented by:**

The Indiana Consortium for International Programs  
Indiana University-Bloomington African Studies Program  
In cooperation with IUPUI Office of International Affairs

##### **11:00 – 11:30am Registration\***

##### **11:30am – 1:00pm**

##### **Luncheon with**

Welcome by Karen DeGrange, Executive Director, ICIP and Samuel Obeng, Director, IUB African Studies Program  
Keynote Address by Zvisinei Sandi, Georgetown University

**1:15 – 2:45pm**

**Panel I**

Maurice Amutabi, Central Washington University

“Hiccups and Upheavals in Kenya’s Democratic Transition: Interrogating the role of ethnicity, political elite and external factors.”

M. Anne Pitcher, University of Michigan

“Party Politics and the Revival of Capitalism in Post-War Mozambique.”

**2:45 – 3:00pm**

**Break**

**3:00 – 4:30pm**

**Panel II**

Jallah Barbu, Indiana University

“Reconstructing the Liberian Judiciary: Is Infrastructure Development Truly Improving the Image of the Courts and Restoring Confidence in the Judiciary?”

Joshua Forrest, LaRoche College

“Rural Civil Society and Post-Violence Reconstruction in Africa.”

**4:30-5:30pm**

**Reception**

\*Cost (including lunch):

\$5.00 students

\$10.00 ICIP member institution faculty and staff

\$20.00 non-member institution faculty and staff

**TUESDAY NOON TALKS**

**12:00 – 1:00 pm**

**Woodburn 218**

**Tentatively scheduled to begin September 22.**

If you are interested in giving a Noon talk, please email Angela Scharfenberger:  
ascharfe@indiana.edu.

**WEDNESDAY SEMINAR: “The Twentieth Century II: Afrocosmopolitanism”**

**Akinwumi Adesokan (Comparative Literature)**

**4:00-6:30pm (Refreshments at 3:30pm)**

**Woodburn 218**

**Public Lectures:**

**Oct. 21**      **Patrice Nganang** (SUNY, Stony Brook) “Geographic Thinking: Édouard Glissant, Philosopher”

**Oct. 28**      **Harry Garuba** (African Studies & English, UCT) “Cosmopolitan Disconnect: Fanon, Xenophobia and Post-Apartheid Political Culture”

**Nov. 4**            **Natalie Melas** (Comparative Literature, Cornell)

**Nov. 11**          **Grant Farred** (English & Africana Studies, Cornell)

## 2. Conferences

### **Territorial Origins of African Civil Conflicts**

**The Ohio State University Center for African Studies, Columbus, Ohio, USA**

**The University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa**

**University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa**

**January 29-30, 2010**

### **Call for Papers**

The Center for African Studies at The Ohio State University will sponsor a conference on the territorial origins of African civil conflict and conflict-alleviating institutions that integrate localities into national political and economic development processes. The conference will take place at the Pietermaritzburg campus of the University of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa, January 29-30, 2010.

The Center for African Studies, The Ohio State University and The University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa welcome the participation of academics, policymakers, civil society leaders, and foreign aid professionals. Those interested in presenting a paper at the conference should submit an abstract by September 25th, 2009 to the Center for African Studies (OSU) and to the School of Politics (UKZN). E-mailed electronic files are preferred but abstracts may also be faxed or mailed. A detailed description of conference themes will be posted on the Center's website, <http://cas.osu.edu>. Submissions should be directed to:

Laura Joseph, Assistant Director, Center for African Studies, 318 Oxley Hall, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210 USA, Email: [cas@osu.edu](mailto:cas@osu.edu), Fax: (614) 292-4273; Phone: (614) 292-8169

**Deadline for receipt of abstracts: September 25**

**Notification of successful abstracts: September 30th**

## 3. Funding and Internship Opportunities

### **Faculty Fellowship in the Digital Arts and Humanities**

Proposals are currently being accepted.

The deadline is October 15, 2009. The goal of the fellowship is to help IUB faculty members expand digital arts and humanities research and creative activity. Fellows will work collaboratively with a team of specialists to enhance their understanding of digital tools with the aim of preparing prototypes for major projects and developing and submitting grant proposals for external funding.

The Digital Arts and Humanities Fellowship consists of one course release per semester for two semesters total during the two-year fellowship period. Within this timeframe, fellowship awardees will be expected to submit at least one grant proposal for external funding and to participate in ongoing workshops with a team of specialists and other faculty fellows. Following the fellowship period, fellows are invited to work with the Institute, which will assist in hiring and supervising appropriate staff for the projects.

To learn more, attend our inquiry meeting.

**Wednesday, September 9, 2009, 12-1 p.m.**

**IDAH Video Conference Room, Wells Library E170-D  
(Wells Library East Tower, left of elevators)**

<http://indiana.edu/~idah>

[http://research.indiana.edu/recipient/digital\\_arts.html](http://research.indiana.edu/recipient/digital_arts.html)

**Tariro: Hope and Health for Zimbabwe's Orphans**

<http://www.tariro.org>

Tariro is pleased to offer university students the opportunity to intern on a voluntary basis with our organization during the 2009-2010 school year. To apply, please download the application form here: <http://tariro.org/documents/Tariro-2009-2010-Internships.pdf>