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#### UNIVERSITY OF BOTSWANA

The University of Botswana, Department of English presents a conference on HIV/AIDS. The theme is "Language, Literature and the Discourse of HIV/AIDS in Africa." The conference will be **June 24-28, 2002**. The aim of the conference is to focus on the discourse of HIV/AIDS with particular reference to language and literature. Figures emerging from UNAIDS and other surveillance systems show that Africa is a leading victim of the HIV/AIDS pandemic. From the specific perspective of linguistic and literary disciplines or the Humanities in general, little has been done to address the discourse of the pandemic. Therefore a variety of trans-disciplinary perspectives is inevitable and desirable. For further information contact: Emevwo Biakolo, Tel: (267) 355-2093, (267) 326-115; Fax: (267) 585-098; Email: biakolo@mopipi.ub.bw; or Joyce Mathan gwane, Tel: (267) 355-2659, (267) 311-333; Fax: (267) 585-098; Email: mathanjt@mopipi.ub.bw; Website: <http://ub.bw/home.html>.

#### MAASTRICHT CENTER FOR TRANSATLANTIC STUDIES

The Maastricht Center for Transatlantic Studies in Maastricht, the Netherlands presents an interdisciplinary conference titled "Citizens, Nations, and Cultures: Transatlantic Perspectives." The conference will be **October 16-19, 2002**. The conference will broadly explore what the 'transatlantic' means for the people of Africa, the Americas, and Europe who experienced these flows over the years. The keynote speakers are: Sabine Broek (University of Bremen), Jose Casanova (New School for Social Research, USA), and John Keane (University of Westminster, UK). For further information contact: Neil Wynn or Andrew Thompson, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Glamorgan Treforest, Rhondda Cynon Taff, Cf37 1DL, United Kingdom.

## PAPER CALENDAR

#### AFRICA INSTITUTE OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Africa Institute of South Africa is planning a special issue of *Africa Insight* to focus on tourism in Africa especially as it relates to development and the African renaissance. *Africa Insight* reflects thinking about theoretical and practical developments in African studies and about contemporary affairs and issues on the continent. The journal's purpose is to provide insight into the process of change in Africa. The Africa Institute of South Africa is inviting researchers from a variety of disciplinary and cross-disciplinary backgrounds using a variety of approaches to submit papers for this special issue. Intended contributors are encouraged to write about a wide range of African countries, hence preference will be given to papers focusing on countries other than South Africa. Comparative studies will also be encouraged. Manuscripts should be kept to a 4,000-6,000 word limit (including notes and references). Selected manuscripts will be sent for peer review. Intended contributors are asked to follow the usual guidelines and prepare the customary notes, and to send an abstract of 100-150 words, one hard copy manuscript and an electronic copy (by email or on disk), along with full contact details by **May 31, 2002**. For further information contact: Elizabeth le Roux, Editor: *Africa Insight*, Africa Institute of South Africa, PO Box 630, Pretoria 0001, South Africa; Email: beth@ai.org.za.

#### UNIVERSITY OF DURBAN

The University of Durban-Westville, Durban, KwaZulu-Natal will host an interdisciplinary colloquium, "Campbell in Context," in honor of Roy Campbell one of South Africa's best-known poets. The colloquium will be **July 25-26, 2002**. The scope of the colloquium is intended to be wide ranging, with papers addressing issues pertinent to Roy Campbell's diverse oeuvre, as well as the contexts within which he worked. Expected participants are the eminent scholar and Roy Campbell's biographer, Peter Alexander, and the postcolonial theorist, Graham Pechey. The following are possible topics that may be addressed during the colloquium: Campbell's influence on South African literature, Voorslag and the Natal experience, the role of the Campbell family in Durban, Campbell and the Bloomsbury group, Campbell's Europe, Campbell's politics, Campbell's religious poetry, Campbell's translations, biographies and plays on Campbell. Selected

papers from the colloquium will be used to compile a volume of essays. Intended participants are asked to submit their papers to the organizers by **June 30, 2002**. This is to enable their colleagues to familiarize themselves with their work prior to the meetings. For further information contact: Professor J-P. Wade, Center for the Study of Southern African Literature and Languages, University of Durban-Westville, Private Bag X 54001, Durban 4000, South Africa; Email: pwade@pixie.udw.ac.za; or Professor J.E. Coullie, English Literary and Cultural Studies, University of Durban-Westville, Private Bag X 54001, Durban 4000, South Africa; Email: jcoullie@pixie.udw.ac.za.

#### ORGANIZATION FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

The Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA) will hold its Seventh Congress in Khartoum, Sudan, in **December 2002**. The theme is "The Quest for Social Peace in Africa: Transformations, Democracy and Public Policy." The Congress will consist of three major activities: the business meeting, the special panel, and the scientific conference. The main objective of the conference is to provide African scholars and intellectuals with the opportunity to discuss ongoing transformations and social processes as they impinge on the current quest for peace-building and peace-keeping; to review and determine how scientific knowledge and research can assist in the understanding and resolution of crises and conflicts; and to influence in a positive direction these transformations in Africa. The conference papers should reflect the spirit of concern with the future of both the social science enterprise and the African condition itself. The papers should address what role social science can play in generating knowledge regarding the problems of security and the consolidation of social peace. Which theories, concepts, and methodological approaches can best serve the purposes of appraising and understanding the processes fuelling social conflict as well as those sustaining social peace in Africa? The deadline for abstracts is **April 30, 2002**. For guidelines and further information contact: OSSREA, P.O. Box 31971, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; Email: ossrea@telecom.net.et or pub.ossrea@telcom.net.et.

#### ERITREAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

The Eritrean Studies Association invites papers for submission to a special edition of the *Eritrean Studies Review* addressing

all aspects of the Eritrean Diaspora worldwide. The issue is guest co-edited by Bettina Conrad and Tricia Hepner, socio-cultural anthropologists working on the Eritrean Diaspora in Germany and the United States, respectively. The editors seek high-quality papers in any discipline that examines various facets of the Eritrean Diaspora experience. Papers addressing Eritreans living in the Middle East and other parts of Africa are especially sought to balance out papers addressing communities in Europe and North America. Intended participants are asked to submit their proposals via electronic mail. Proposals should be approximately 1,000 words, including the working title of the paper; the author's name, title, and affiliation; and a concise summary of the paper's main argument, themes, and methodology. Preference will be given to previously unpublished papers based upon original research. The deadline for proposal submission is **May 15, 2002** and the deadline for finished papers is **November 15, 2002**. Correspondence and questions should be directed to Tricia Hepner and Bettina Conrad, Email: eridiaspora@yahoo.com.

#### AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The American Historical Association, the World History Association, the Middle East Studies Association, the African Studies Association, the Latin American Studies Association, the Conference on Latin American History, the Association for Asian Studies, the Institute of European Studies at Columbia University, the Harriman Institute of Russian Studies at Columbia University, the Community College Humanities Association, and the Library of Congress present a conference to be held at the Library of Congress, Washington, DC on **February 13-15, 2003**. The theme is "Seascapes, Littoral Cultures and Trans-Oceanic Exchanges." The conference aims to go beyond area studies and to cross the usual national, geographical, and cultural boundary lines of scholarship by examining the role of oceans and sea basins as high-ways of exchanges between world areas as well as social and cultural sites in their own right. National historiographies are challenged by seascapes that wash the shores of multiple global areas and that create littoral social relations with dynamics of their own. Studying the historiography of trans-oceanic exchanges promises to break new ground in the study of human linkages along several lines. Each of the three conference days will focus on a particular rubric: (1) social and political organization, (2) Economic implications, (3) cul-

tural, environmental, and scientific issues. The deadline for proposals is **April 30, 2002**. For further information contact: Debbie Ann Doyle, Convention and Administrative Assistant, Executive Office, The American Historical Association, 400 A St. S. E., Washington, DC 20003; Tel: (202) 544-2422 Ext.104; Fax: (202) 544-8307; Website: [www.theaha.org/conference/seascapes](http://www.theaha.org/conference/seascapes).

#### HAMBURG UNIVERSITY

Hamburg University presents the 15th international conference of Ethiopian Studies to be held on **July 14 -18, 2003** in Hamburg, Germany. The thematic focus will be on the humanities, with several sessions devoted to various aspects of archeology, history, religion, languages, literature, arts, anthropology and social sciences (including law and politics). The abstract and registration form submission deadline is **June 15, 2002**. For further information contact: 15th ICES Organizing Committee, Hamburg University, Asia-Africa Institute, Edmund-Siemers-Allee 1, D-20146, Hamburg, Germany; Fax: +49-40-42838-5675; Email: [ices2003@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:ices2003@uni-hamburg.de); Website: [www.r rz.uni-hamburg.de/ICES2003](http://www.r rz.uni-hamburg.de/ICES2003).

#### University of Memphis

The Department of History at the University of Memphis presents the Fourth Annual Graduate Student Conference in African American History on **October 18 -20, 2001**. Graduate students are asked to submit abstracts on any topic in African American history. The topic should be based on original research. All abstracts should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae. All submissions should be postmarked no later than **June 1, 2002**. Papers will be considered for the "BEST PAPER" honor and a monetary award. Paper submissions should be directed to: Program Committee, Graduate Student Conference in African American History, 100 Mitchell Hall, Department of History University of Memphis, Memphis, TN 38152; Email: [AfAmHistConf@yahoo.com](mailto:AfAmHistConf@yahoo.com).

#### POETRY INTERNATIONAL

The editor of *Poetry International*, an annual poetry journal published at San Diego State University, is planning a special issue on the English Language Diaspora for the year 2003 and would like to include 6-10 contemporary African poets in the issue. The journal is seeking established poets who write in English and represent a range of styles and genders. The journal is also seeking an editor for the African section.

The editor is expected to write a brief introduction of 5-6 pages outlining the major trends in African poetry today. The editor is expected to have broad knowledge of African poetry and be able to put the contemporary material in context. Deadline for the issue is **February 2003**. For further information contact: Fred Moramarco, Editor, Poetry International; Tel: (619) 594-1523; Fax: (619) 594-4998; Email: [fmoramar@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:fmoramar@mail.sdsu.edu); Website: [www-rohan.sdsu.edu/faculty/fmoramar/index.html](http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/faculty/fmoramar/index.html).

#### SEPHIS PROGRAM

The Sephis program presents a workshop in Xiamen (P.R. of China) on **December 10-12, 2002**. The theme is "Labour Migration in an Earlier Phase of Global Restructuring." The workshop will focus on the social history of labor migration taking place from the 1850's to the end of the 20th century and on the nature of the migratory process. Intended participants are asked to treat the following themes historically: the identities of migrant workers and their different professions and trades; the modalities of recruitment and passage, and the maintenance of 'home' links. The workshop is especially well placed to explore comparatively how findings for the colonial period relate to current debates about labour migration, human trafficking, and Diasporic communities in the early 21st century. Intended participants are asked to submit a one page paper proposal and curriculum vitae (maximum 3 pages). Proposals should be written in English and must reach the SEPHIS Secretariat by **June 15, 2002**. Conference papers in languages other than English must be submitted by **October 1, 2002** to allow enough time for English translations. For further information contact: Sephis programme International Institute of Social History, Cruquiusweg 31, 1019 AT Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Tel: ++31-20-4636395; Fax: ++31-20-4636385; Email: [sephis@iisg.nl](mailto:sephis@iisg.nl); Website: [www.sephis.org](http://www.sephis.org).

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### OHIO UNIVERSITY

The Department of English and the African Studies Program at Ohio University invite applications for a joint appointment one-year term position for the academic year **2002-2003** in Anglophone African literature. The University is looking for a dynamic and independent scholar who combines theo-