



Program

11th Northeastern Workshop on Southern Africa

Friday April 19th to Sunday April 21st, 2013

Bishop Booth Conference Center

Burlington, Vermont

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Arrival and registration: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Early afternoon session: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Water Resources, White Farmers, and the South African Racial Order (Green Room)

Meredith McKittrick, "A Miracle in the North": The Scheme to Flood the Kalahari, 1918-1945

Wessel Visser, White Settlement and Irrigation Schemes: CF Rigg and the Founding of Bonnievale in the Breederiver in the Western Cape, South Africa

Molly McCullers, Boreholes and Black-Spots: Apartheid Water Development in the Aminuis Corridor, 1955-1960

Andrea Arrington, 'Of more value to South Africa than all the diamonds ever found or dreamed of:' Victoria Falls and the Hydroelectric Power Scheme

Discussant: Cathy Skidmore-Hess

Contemporary Political Discontents: Elites, Poverty, and Resources (Chapel)

Omotayo Jolaosho, Youth, Performance and Collective Activism

Casey Golomski, A Kingdom and its Discontents: The Dynamics of Ambivalence in Swaziland

Claudia Gastrow, Between the Party and the Law: Housing and the Constitution of Competing Citizenships in Luanda, Angola

Discussant: Nadia Horning

Late Afternoon Session: 4:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Mozambique: Reconfiguring Spaces of Possibility and Action (Chapel)

Corinna Jentsch, *The Power of a Vaccine: Peasant Resistance to Wartime Violence in Post-Independence Mozambique*

Michael Walker, *Food Security in a Time of Insecurity: Popular Protest and the Politics of Social Assistance in Mozambique*

Drew Thompson, *Bearing Witness to War: The Photographic Archive at Mozambique's National Photography School, 1982 to 1993*

Discussant: Kathleen Sheldon

Chiefs, Artists and Athletes: Complicating Resistance to Apartheid (Green Room)

Jill Kelly, *Bantu Authorities and Betterment: The Ambiguous Responses of Chiefs and Regents*

Daniel Magaziner, *Schools and Studios: The Ambiguities of African Art Teachers*

Joshua Rubin, *Fractured Frames: The Politics and Legacies of Anti-Apartheid Rugby*

Derek Catsam, *“No Rugby With Racists!”: North American Anti-Apartheid Activism and the 1981 Springbok Tour to the United States*

Discussant: Peter Alegi

Dinner: 6:15 p.m. – Dining Room

Evening Film: 7:30 p.m.

RFK in the Land of Apartheid: A Ripple of Hope with a discussion after the film with the filmmaker, Larry Shore

Using never before seen archival footage, and interviews in South Africa and the United States, filmmakers Larry Shore and Tami Gold tell the story of Robert Kennedy's 1966 visit to South Africa during the worst years of Apartheid. The film evokes the connections between the American Civil Rights Movement and the Anti-Apartheid Movement in South Africa. The filmmakers find witness to this special moment in time through the sights and sounds of present day South Africa.

Saturday, April 20th

Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. – Dining Room

Early morning session: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Engineering the Post-Colonial Zimbabwe Nation-State (Green Room)

Clapperton Chakanetsa Mavhunga, Regarding "Engineering," "Technology," "Designers," and "Users," as Seen through *Chimurenga*, Zimbabwe's Liberation War
Mhoze Chikowero, Usable Pasts: Crafting Madzimbabwe in Memory, Tradition, Song
Luise White, "Adequate and Acceptable," or "The T-Shirt Test": : Zimbabwe's 1980 Election and the Idea of Decolonization
Jamie Miller, "We Cannot be Seen to be Deposing Ian Smith": South Africa and the 1976 Kissinger Initiatives

Discussant: Preben Kaarsholm

Rethinking Political Culture through Press Sources in 20th Century South Africa (Chapel)

Meghan Healy-Clancy, "Marching Forward": Rethinking African Nationalist Public Culture from the Women's Pages of the *Bantu World*
Margot Leger, Rediscovering The Classic: Voices of the 1960s in South Africa
Matthew Keaney, Relevancy and Responsibility: A Crisis of Writing in *New Classic*
Bryan Trabold, Writing Space in Apartheid South Africa: The Story of the *Weekly Mail* and *New Nation*

Discussant: Daniel Magaziner

Tea and snacks: 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Late morning session: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Gendering Liberation History: Technology, Politics and Healing (Green Room)

Marla Jaksch, The Virtual Freedom Trail Project (VFTP): Re-Visioning Gender in African Liberation in Tanzania

Angel Nieves, Geospatial Story-telling & the Spatial Humanities in Southern Africa: Building a Historical GIS of Apartheid-Era Soweto

Rachel Sandwell, Debates Around Childcare Provision in the ANC in Exile

Discussant: Judith Van Allen

Development from "Above" and "Below" in Malawi, Lesotho and Zimbabwe (Chapel)

John Aerni-Flessner, Development, Politics and Public Perceptions of Independence in late 1960s Lesotho

Riley Dillon—"Migrants in Zimbabwe are like ATMs": Undocumented Migrant Experiences in Botswana

Mark Nyandoro, Resuscitation of the Zimbabwean Economy under the GNU: The Role of Water (2008-2013)

Discussant: David Turkon

Lunch: 1:00 p.m. -1:45 p.m. – Dining Room

Planning meeting for next NEWSA: 1:45 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Dining Room (for all participants)

Afternoon session: 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sex, Danger and Social Transformation (Green Room)

Kathryn de Luna, Affect, Environment, and Community in Southern Africa, 1000 BCE to 1900 CE

Crystal Biruk, "Aid for Gays": The Material and the Moral in "African Homophobia"

Melissa Hackman, Mapping Sin: Homosexual Geographies in Cape Town, South Africa

Elizabeth Timbs, "Lethal, Incurable and Controversial": A Sexual Behavior Change Project in Zimbabwe, 1987-1992

Discussant: Diana Jeater

The Limits of Transformation: Juridical Change and Practical Continuities in South Africa and Namibia (Chapel)

Myra Houser, First Transition, Second Perspective: Activism, Attorneys, and the Southern Africa Project of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, 1980-1994

Nick Smith, The Return of the Repressed: Police Violence in Democratic South Africa

Derick Fay, Conservation, Custom and the Court: Lawfare and the Struggle for Subsistence at Dwesa-Cwebe, South Africa

David Crawford Jones, Wielding the *Epokolo*: Corporal Punishment and Traditional Authority in Colonial Ovamboland

Discussant: Scott Matter

Dinner and Snacks on the Terrace: 4:30 p.m.

Dinner out in Burlington

Sunday, Oct 23rd

Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Dining Room

Early morning session: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Colonial Landscapes: Crossing Boundaries, Redefining Identities (Green Room)

Cathy Skidmore-Hess, Murder in Nata: Landscapes of Colonial Justice and Authority
Robert Gordon, On Being a Bridge-burning Guinea Pig: Max Gluckman's Zululand Adventures

David Riep, Seeing SeSotho: Art, History, and the Visual Language of South Sotho Identity

Tiffany Jones, Bodily Remains: Mortuary Crises and Debates about Death in South Africa, 1910-Present

Discussant: Diana Wylie

Reinterpretations: Ethnicity, Environment, Culture and Health (Chapel)

Leslie Hadfield, Africanization of Ciskei Health Services and Post-apartheid Memory
Toby Moorsom, Tonga Migrations: Ethnicity and Environmental Change among Tonga Farmers of Zambia, A Reconnaissance

Arianna Huhn, Salt, Sex & Sin: Compassion and Maravi Culture-Bound Illness

Christopher Conz, Maize, Monotony, and Malnutrition: Socio-environmental History and Pellagra in Lesotho

Discussant: Jacob Tropp

Tea and snacks: 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Late morning session: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Problematics of Memory, History and Nationalism (Green Room)

Melissa Levin, The Violence of Transition in South Africa

Stephanie Victor, The Politics of Remembering and Commemorating Atrocity: the Bhishe Massacre and its Aftermath, 1992-2013

Jeremy Ball, Staging of Memory: Monuments, Commemoration, and the Demarcation of Portuguese Space in Colonial Angola

Christopher Annear, Writing a New Zambian History: The UNZA Oral History Project

Discussant: Sean Redding

Christians, Constables, and Tourist: (De)Constructing the Racial Order in South Africa (Chapel)

Lauren Jarvis, African Christians and the Biblical Origins of Racial Difference in Nineteenth-Century Southern Africa

Scott Spencer, Native Managers: The South African Constabulary and African Communities, 1900-1908

Brian Rutledge, Elite African Tourists in 1930s South Africa: Ideology, Embodiment and Visits to "Places of Uplift"

Discussant: Wendy Urban-Mead