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INTERNATIONALIZING AFRICOLOGY

Conversations in Africology
Yesterday, Today, Forever: Thinking and Doing for Eternity

October 30 • 2:00 - 8:30 PM
Registration Link - Click Below
WELCOME AND OPENING
2:00 - 2:10PM
DR. JABALI ADE
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

INTRODUCTION
2:10 - 2:20PM
DR. JASON WINGARD
PRESIDENT, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
2:20 - 2:40PM
DR. MOLEFI KETE ASANTE
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
"DOING AND BEING: REFLECTIONS ON THE WORK OF MY LIFE"

INTERPRETERS (ENGLISH & PORTUGUESE): RAPHAEL ARAH AND ANDERSON NICK
EPISTEMIC VIOLENCE, DELETION AND OTHER FORMS OF INVALIDATION: ALTERNATIVE WAYS OF BECOMING AND BEING

CHAIRPERSON: DR. KIMANI NEHUSI, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
2:45 - 3:00 PM

An exchange with eminent scholars, from diverse cultural and historical backgrounds, who are concerned with epistemic violence and invalidation. Most specifically, this session will engage the Eurocentric interpretation of Modernity, which equates being Modern and Civilized with the unconditional embrace and worship of rationalism, science, and technology. The Eurocentric worldview that leads people to view the world as made up of disconnected and disposable elements will be contrasted with the ancient and enduring understanding of the world as made up of organically connected entities. There will be a sober assessment of not only the limitations of the Eurocentric worldview, but also of the damage it has caused the world as a whole - from an ecological standpoint, but also from a human standpoint, that is, the multiple crimes and atrocities committed against fellow human beings in the name of such modernity. Alternative ways of being are imperative; they must be rediscovered and or invented.

SPEAKERS - 20 MINUTES EACH

3:00 pm  Dr. Kehbuma Langmia, Howard University
3:20 pm  Dr. Christel Temple, University of Pittsburgh
3:40 pm  Dr. Yoshitaka Miike, University of Hawaii
4:00 pm  Dr. Simphiwe Sesanti, University of the Western Cape
4:20 pm  Dr. Jabali Ade, Temple University

Respondent:
Dr. Amilcar Shabazz, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, President of NCBS

4:45 - 5:00 pm

BREAK 5:00 - 5:45 PM
AFRICOLOGY, THE EPISTEME OF LIBERATION

CHAIRPERSON: DR. IFETAYO FLANNERY, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
6:00 - 6:15 PM

This will be an exchange between top scholars who have contributed essays to the Journal of Black Studies (JBS), the Black Scholar, and other leading instruments in the dissemination of knowledge devoted to African and African American Studies. Each presenter will introduce her/his own contribution to the theme with projections to the future of specific topics and share findings regarding the impact of the creation of the first Doctoral Program in African American Studies on the American Academy. What will be ascertained is both the institutional and extra-institutional impact of the creation of the Temple University Program that has so far graduated more than 180 PhDs. Of particular interest to the conferees will be the subsequent creation of Doctoral programs at universities such as Massachusetts, Berkeley, Harvard, Indiana, Michigan State, Yale, and Louisville, Texas, Northwestern, Cornell, Clark-Atlanta, and others. The ultimate and inescapable yardstick for analyzing them is as templates for academic inquiry into conditions of African people trans-continentally and trans-generationally. New questions are being asked as a result of Africology and the convergence of technology and Astro-blackness. Thus, conferees and main speakers will engage in forms of Afrofuturism.

SPEAKERS - 20 MINUTES EACH

6:15 pm  Dr. Reiland Rabaka, University of Colorado
6:35 pm  Dr. Ibram Kendi, Boston University
6:55 pm  Dr. Patricia Reid-Merritt, Stockton University
7:15 pm  Dr. Mark Christian, Lehman College, New York
7:35 pm  Dr. Reynaldo Anderson, Temple University

Respondent:
Dr. Nah Dove, Temple University

7:55 - 8:10 pm

CLOSING REMARKS TILL 8:30 PM

Rasheed Atwater, Toyo Aboderin, Marcus Baldwin, Christina Holley
Temple University