

Walter Rodney Seminar: Fall 2017 Schedule

September 11	Lidwien Kapteijns (Wellesley College) & Alessandra Vianello (SOAS assoc.) "Islam in Brava (Somalia): Religious Poetry in the Town's Vernacular as Historical Source (c. 1890-1975)"
September 18	John K. Thornton (BU/Hi&AAS) "Another Look at the Origins of Kongo: 1270-1550"
September 25	Dan Connell (BU/COM) "Breaking the Eritrea-Ethiopia Deadlock"
October 2	Susanne D. Mueller (BU) "High Stakes Ethnic Politics and the Kenya Election"
October 10 *	Nimi Wariboko (BU/STH) "God Killed! God Interrupted, Long Live the People!: Political Theory in Religious Act"
October 16	Andrew Bank (U. of Western Cape) "Pioneers of the Field: South Africa's Women Anthropologists"
October 23	Michael J. Sheridan (Middlebury College) "Social landscapes in the Cameroon Grassfields: Power, order, and meaning"
October 30	Amah Edoh (MIT) "Designing Dutch Wax cloth, imag(in)ing African futures".
November 6	Anna Herforth (Columbia) New tools to track affordability of nutritious diets in Africa
November 13	Clapperton Chakanetsa Mavhunga (MIT) "Reading Amílcar Cabral: Renewing Africa's Doer-Thinker Tradition"
November 20	Amidu Sanni "New Knowledge, Old Medium: Yoruba Ajami of Southern Nigeria in the Factory of Learning."
November 27	Thanksgiving Break - No Seminar
December 4	Ben Twagira (BU/Hi) "Military Rule and Urban Resilience: The Case of Kampala, Uganda, ca. 1966-86"

* *Exceptionally, on a Tuesday*

Walter Rodney Lecture Series

African Studies Center Spring 2018

232 BAY STATE ROAD, ROOM 505 - 12:15pm to 2pm

JANUARY, 2018

1.22 Daivi Rodima-Taylor
*"The African 'Fintech Revolution':
Mobile Money, Crypto-Currencies
and Culture"*

1.29 Michael D. Jackson
"Words and Deeds"

3.19 Abidemi Babatunde Babalola

*"Creativity, Improvisation,
Knowledge Networks, and
Glass/Glass Bead Making
in Early Ile-Ife, Nigeria."*

3.26 Serena Stein

*"Notes on a Donor Darling:
Agribusiness, Transnational
Intimacies and the Infrastructure
of Obligation in Mozambique's
Nacala Corridor"*

FEBRUARY, 2018

2.5 Ibrahim Sundiata
*"Why Can't Americans
Understand Slavery?"*

2.12 Myles Osborne
*"Mau Mau in Jamaica:
From Garvey to Black Power"*

2.26 Abel Djassi Amado
*"The International Politics of the
Portuguese Language in
Sub-Saharan Africa"*

APRIL, 2018

4.2 Jeanne Koopman
*"Barça ou Barsakh" - Barcelona or
death...or worse. What is pushing
migration from Senegal?*

4.9 George Michael La Rue
*"A Prescription for Finding Slave
Life Trajectories: French Doctors
and African Women Slaves in
Egypt, 1817-1848"*

4.23 Samia Henni
*"Architecture of Counterrevolution:
The French Army in Northern Algeria"*

4.30 Lawrence Were
*"From African Socialism to
Neo-Liberal Dispensation: The Case
of Healthcare Reform in Kenya"*

MARCH, 2018

3.12 Elizabeth Foster
*"A Church in Transition: African
Clergy and the Decolonization
of French Africa"*