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Indonesia: World Culture Forum (WCF) in Bali in October

Indonesia will host the World Culture Forum in Nusa Dua, Bali, from October 10-14. The Central theme of the WCF 2016 is “Culture for an Inclusive Sustainable Planet”. Over 1,500 participants are expected to attend the upcoming forum. WCF 2016 invites Heads of State, Nobel Laureates, Ministers of Culture, experts, senior policy-makers, NGOs, Youth and Academies, cultural practitioners and other stakeholders to attend this global gathering. Sachiko Kubota will be representing the WCAA at the WCF. More information at <https://worldcultureforum-bali.org>



Chen-Kuan-Hsing, speaker

China

The Chinese Anthropological Society (CAS) will hold its annual meeting at Fudan University in Shanghai, China, on November 4-6, 2016 under the theme “Anthropology with Rich Colors and Intergrowth”. The modern world offers anthropology fieldwork sites of great variety to address different questions. Anthropological research covers various fields or subfields. This conference will be structured around six sub-themes: **1)** between macro and micro scope (physical anthropology); **2)** exceeding traditional perspectives (socio-cultural anthropology); **3)** storms of big data (linguistic anthropology); **4)** practice and reflection in educational ethnology

(anthropology of education); **5)** stepping into an era of accuracy (archaeology); **6)** reconstructing one belt and one road (historical anthropology). Participants must email their papers or abstracts (1000 words) to zhangchunyan@fudan.edu.cn by September 20, 2016 with the subject “2016 CAS conference papers+ author name”.

ALA - Latin America Association

Discussed at ALA’s assembly in October, in México, a declaration about the increasing tensions and the social effects upon indigenous and other collective populations that “unsustainable development models” spread all over the Americas (but not only) was published at: <https://www.facebook.com/CongresoALA/photos/>

Eduardo Restrepo, president of ALA



V Congreso Asociación Latinoamericana de Antropología and XVI Congreso de Antropología en Colombia

The congress will be hosted at Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, Colombia, June 6 to 9, 2017. <http://www.asociacionlatinoamericanadeantropologia.net/congreso2017/>

The call for panel proposals is open until October 16. <http://www.asociacionlatinoamericanadeantropologia.net/congreso2017/index.php/enviar-propuestas/procedimiento>

Finland

A fixed term Professor in Social and Cultural Anthropology in the University of Helsinki: the Faculty of Social Sciences invites applications for the position of Professor in Social and Cultural Anthropology for a fixed term from January 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021. The post replaces Professor Sarah Green, who will be carrying out an ERC Advanced Grant project during that period. Further information: <https://www.helsinki.fi/en/open-positions/professor-social-and-cultural->

In 2016 Suomen Antropologi: Journal of the Finnish Anthropological Society celebrates its 40th anniversary and on that occasion, starting with the current issue (1/2016), the journal becomes an Open Access publication, which can be freely read online everywhere in the world.

Although some readers may regret losing the journal as an artifact, in general this transition is beneficial for everybody involved. There are advantages for our authors, whose work will now get the widest possible readership, and likewise to our readers who are increasingly accustomed to consulting scholarly publications on the Internet. Suomen Antropologi is thus taking part in revolutionizing the paradigm for the future dissemination and discussion of anthropological research.

In the current issue:

- The Edward Westermarck Memorial Lecture of 2015 by Professor Philippe Descola with the title 'Landscape as Transfiguration'
- An extensive interview with Professor Descola o ignored
- Special section of research reports focusing on the anthropology of money by Chris Vasantkumar and Robert Blunt o ignored
- Suomen Antropologi remembers Sidney Mintz by reprinting his 1998 article 'Excitantia and the Everyday: The Rise of Plebeian Luxuries'

<http://ojs.tsv.fi/index.php/suomenantropologi/>

Suomen Antropologi is a peer-reviewed publication, which accepts scholarly articles, review articles, research reports, critical essays, conference reports, book reviews, and news and information in the field of anthropology and related studies.

USA

Membership Votes Down Academic Boycott Resolution Access

In a close vote, the AAA membership voted against the resolution to boycott Israeli academic institutions. Fifty-one percent of AAA's eligible members voted, the largest turnout in AAA history, with 2,423 members opposing the resolution, and 2,384 voting to support it.

AAA members are generally in agreement that serious threats to academic freedom and human rights have been noted in Israel-Palestine as a result of Israeli government policies and practices, and that the AAA should respond to these threats. The AAA Executive Board has approved a set of actions that are aligned with the Association's core values and mission as a professional society and in accordance with the findings, guiding principles, and list of possible actions detailed in the Task Force on Israel Palestine (TFIP) report. The Board-approved actions include:

- Issuing a statement of censure of the Israeli government.
- Issuing a letter to relevant authorities in the US government identifying the ways in which US resources and policies contribute to policies in Israel/Palestine that violate academic freedom and disenfranchise Palestinians.
- Approving ways to provide active resource support for Palestinian and Israeli academics as well as visiting scholars in the region.

To view the full set of actions click [here](#).



Wenner-Gren Foundation: Anthropologist Danilyn Rutherford is the New President

Rutherford is the chair of the Department of Anthropology and a professor at the University of California, Santa Cruz whose research and fieldwork has focused on questions of culture and power. She is well known for her work in the West Papua province of Indonesia and for promoting research at the intersections of the range of disciplines that make up the field of anthropology.

With an endowment valued at \$165 million, the foundation provides more than \$5 million in grants each year to support the field of anthropology around the world.

Since 1959, the foundation has published *Current Anthropology*. Recent innovations include providing open access to select *Current Anthropology* articles online and the launch in January of the SAPIENS news and commentary website. Rutherford will succeed Leslie C. Aiello, who will retire after serving as the foundation's president since April 2005. Rutherford will assume the position of president in July 2017.



Danilyn Rutherford

Canada: IUAES 2017 Inter-Congress in Ottawa

The CASCA/IUAES2017 call for panel proposals is open:

<http://www.nomadit.co.uk/cascaiuaes2017/en/call-for-panels>

Deadline for panel proposals is October 26th.

Please direct CASCA/IUAES2017 inquiries to cascaiuaes2017@nomadit.co.uk

This Inter-Congress will be hosted at the University of Ottawa from May 2-7, 2017. The conference theme is “Mo(u)vement.”

Croatia: IUAES 2016 Inter-Congress in Dubrovnik

The 2016 Inter-Congress in Dubrovnik, Croatia, was a great success. Over 800 colleagues participated from 64 countries; 695 papers were presented in 146 panels along with 39 posters and 11 movies. Three plenary lectures and two invited lectures were also given.

<https://www.facebook.com/IUAES-1525250224390454/>

<http://iuaes2016.com/>

Brazil: 30 RBA

The 30th Congress of the Brazilian Anthropological Association (ABA) was held in João Pessoa, August 3 to 6, 2016. The WCAA participated in the Panel Politics and Policies of Anthropology: Anthropological Association perspectives towards a scenario of global crises, organized by Antonio Carlos de Souza Lima, the President of ABA, with the presence of the Chandana Mathur (Chair), Carmen Rial (Deputy Chair), Gustavo L. Ribeiro and Junji Koizumi (Advisory committee), and the Delegates Lia Ferrero (Argentina), Gonzalo Díaz Crovetto (Chile), Thomas Hylland Eriksen (EASA) Cristina Oehmichen Bazan (México), Cristiana Bastos (Portugal), Lydia Nina de Souza Gumiel (Uruguay), Alisse Waterston (USA) and Antonio Carlos de Souza Lima (Brazil). Miriam Grossi (IUAES) and Ruben Oliven (UFRGS) also participated in the panel.

See more at: goo.gl/bQXm9K



Lydia de Souza, Miriam Grossi, Lia Ferrero, Gonzalo Díaz



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