WCAA News

Déjà Lu
The new issue of our journal is on line at https://www.wcaanet.org/dejalu/, edited by Gordon Mathews and co-edited by Lía Ferrero.

The Open Anthropology Research Repository will soon be launched
The launch of the Open Anthropology Research Repository is planned for November at the joint AAA and CASCA conference to be held in Vancouver later this year. This initiative will allow free access to articles and papers Anthropologists are willing to share in an open access venue. The project was first presented by Alex Baker, President of AAA, to the delegates at the 6th WCAA Biennial Meeting held in Florianopolis and has the support of WAU, who participated in its Advisory Board.

Donation from Critique of Anthropology
WCAA expresses our thanks to John Gledhill and Stephen Nugent, editors of Critique of Anthropology, for the donation of a portion of the journal’s surplus royalties to the IUAES. This generation donation will support small projects organized by colleagues in parts of the world where funding for anthropological work is not readily available. The Steering Committee of WAU is establishing guidelines as to which projects will be favored as the IUAES is sharing the fund with WAU.

Waiver from APA and AAA
The WCAA thanks the Portuguese Association of Anthropology for waiving the conference registration fees for members of the WCAA Organizing Committee as well as the delegates attending the VII APA Congress held on July 4-7 in Lisbon.

We also thank the American Association of Anthropology for the waiver granted to WCAA delegates, following past tradition. The AAA meeting will be held in November in Vancouver jointly with the CASCA annual conference.

WCAA Delegate Meeting in Poznan
A WCAA delegate meeting will be held on Friday, August 30 at the IUAES Inter-Congress being held in Poznan, Poland. For more information, do not hesitate to contact WCAA Secretary Michel Bouchard (Michel.Bouchard@unbc.ca).
“The IUAES 2019 Inter-Congress will create a forum to discuss, interpret and make comprehensive insights into the ways in which anthropology studies human solidarities that exist and emerge at local, regional and global levels of social life and in all corners of the world; solidarities that in our times have to be consciously stretched out to other species and ecosystems. Notions of compassion, commonality and solidarity are particularly important now, in the period when global warming and social inequalities force whole populations to migrate and cause a rise in the exclusionist ideologies.”

Michal Buchowski Chair of The Polish Ethnological Society & Head of the Department of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan


Poznan. A Few Facts:

Poznan, a half-a-million city in western Poland, is located at the crossroad of the largest European transportation routes connecting Moscow with Berlin as well as Paris and Madrid, Budapest and Prague with the Baltic coast and farther on with the Scandinavian Peninsula. This location of the city, which favors the coexistence of many nationalities and cultures, was conducive to Poznan being an important meeting place in Central Europe. The region is the cradle of Polish statehood. The city of Poznan is where the oldest Polish cathedral is situated (968) together with the tombs of the first sovereigns of Poland.

Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan:
It is one of the top Polish universities with some 3,000 faculty members and its 17 faculties and independent departments offer opportunities to study in 82 major fields.

https://www.iuaes2019.org/
From the Associations

Portugal: Anthropology as a "Subarea" of Sociology
Following the decision of the WCAA meeting at the congress of AAA in San José, the World Council of Anthropological Associations, the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA) and the Society for Ethnology and Folklore (SIEF) wrote a letter in support of our Portuguese colleagues in what concerns the incorrect application of the OECD’s Frascati Manual and its use of the manual’s Field of Science classification.

In this current system of classification applied by all centralized instances of the Portuguese state administration (FCT, DGEC, SEC) applying the field of science approach, the science of anthropology emerges as a "subarea" of another discipline, sociology. As our Portuguese colleagues have expressed, this classification of Anthropology as a subfield of Sociology is not only incorrect, but profoundly hurts the discipline. Numerous anthropological projects have been undergraded when applying for funding since the application of such classification.

ABA Protest Against The Defunding of the Humanities in Brazil Was Published in a Leading Brazilian Newspaper
In an article signed by the President and Vice-President of the Brazilian Anthropological Association (ABA), the authors argue that almost nine months after the country impotently watched flames destroy the National Museum in Rio de Janeiro, the destruction continues. Just as 200 years of research was reduced to ashes, science is Brazil is the victim of a “modus operandi” that is trying to reduce it to dust. Following the 2018 election, Brazilian scientific production is now under serious threat. The constant attacks on the public university and, in particular, on the humanities, are visible notably in the budget cuts in the funding of research, actions that undermine the national technical-scientific heritage. ABA notes that such measures fit the profile of a government that values ignorance, has incited hatred of thought and ridiculed the intelligentsia. Their analysis of the discourse and practices of the ascendant political forces being exerted on Brazilian research and higher education are linked to the absence of a national project for the country and the disregard of the role of science and research in the process of defining a national project. In Brazil ravaged by the flames of dark times, the biggest challenge facing scholars is to understand and to unravel the obscurity that surrounds such policies. The article was signed by the President and Vice-President of ABA (Maria Filomena Gregori and Sergio Carrara)

VIBRANT
Proceedings of the 18th IUAES World Congress

The proceedings of the 18th IUAES World Congress are now online in English at https://www.iuaes2018.org/conteudo/view?ID_CONTEUDO=767. Included are 459 articles presented during the Congress. The 18th IUAES World Congress Proceedings are divided into four volumes. The papers are organized following the Brazilian authorship model, with the authors’ first name placed in alphabetical order (and not the last name, common in other academic contexts). ISBN 978-85-62946-96-7.

The World Needs Anthropologists?

The next conference organized by the EASA Applied Anthropology Network, ‘Why the World Needs Anthropologists?’ will take place in Oslo in October.

ABA and Other Associations Sign Declaration Against Planned Police Operations

The National Association of Graduate Studies and Research in Social Sciences (ANPOCS, chaired by the Anthropologist Miriam Pillar Grossi), the Brazilian Association of Anthropology (ABA, chaired by Maria Filomena Gregori), Brazilian Society of Sociology (SBS) and the Brazilian Association of Political Science (ABCP) have expressed their deep concern at the government’s request addressed to the Federal Supreme Court to conduct police operations within the Public and Private Universities. This request for police operations in universities is aimed at curbing "ideological biases of teachers in political environments."

ABA and the associations that signed on to this common declaration consider that the request violates Article 206 of the Federal Constitution, which states that instruction will be delivered on the basis of freedom to learn, teach, research and disseminate thought; as well as pluralism of ideas and pedagogical conceptions. Facing this potential violation of the Federal Constitution, as well as the undermining of the principle of autonomy for universities, the aforementioned associations request that the Supreme Court (STF) reject the government’s petition (AGU) to allow police operations to be carried out inside the Public and Private University system. The co-signatories highlight that such measures are based on authoritarian principles.

ABA Protest to Favor Welfare and Social Security Rights of Women and Children Affected by the Zika Virus

Recently, the Federal Supreme Court (STF) removed from this month's agenda an important action to guarantee the welfare and social security rights of women and children affected by the zika virus. The zika outbreak, especially between 2015 and 2016, highlighted the sexual and reproductive health vulnerabilities of women and girls in Brazil, especially Blacks and Indigenous people in the Northeast of the country. Although the World Health Organization and the Brazilian Ministry of Health announced the end of the emergency situation in 2017, due to the deceleration of the registry of new cases, those who imagine that the situation is controlled are mistaken. Although practically ignored by the national media and commentators, in 2018 alone there were 1,657 new cases of newborns and children reported as possibly affected by congenital zika virus syndrome. Since 2015, 3,332 cases have been confirmed, 643 are considered probable, and 2,612 are still under investigation.
ABA Expresses Indignation on the Statement of a Brazilian Minister on Alleged Infanticide by Amerindians

The Minister for Women, Family and Human Rights, Evangelical Pastor Damares Alves publicly stated that there are 1,500 cases of newborns buried alive each year by their parents and relatives among the Indigenous peoples of Brazil. It is a statement without any scientific basis. The Ministry of Health's Special Secretariat of Health Care (SESAI / MS), the most qualified and reliable source available today in the country on the actions and the state of collective health of the Indigenous population in Brazil do not confirm this data. Indeed, the deaths of children that have been registered among the Kaiabi people in the Xingu Indigenous Park, and in the Yanomami Indigenous Land are invariably due to preventable causes and lack of available basic health care.

EASA

EASA is delighted to announce the inaugural annual award competition for the best European Postgraduate Student Paper in the Anthropology of Food. The goal of the award is to encourage anthropological research into food among emerging scholars at European universities.

All submissions must be received by August 4, 2019 and sent to the EASA Food Network co-convenors Dr Zofia Boni (zb53@soas.ac.uk) and Dr Stephanie Hobbis (stephanie.hobbis@wur.nl)

The winning paper will be accepted for review and considered for publication in the EASA journal Social Anthropology/ Anthropologie Sociale and promoted within and beyond the EASA Food Network.

More details: https://www.easaonline.org/networks/food/award

Call for Nominations

IPBES (The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services) is calling for technical support units for indigenous and local knowledge. https://www.ipbes.net/notification/call-nominations-experts-ipbes-task-forces-tsu https://www.ipbes.net/application-form-task-forces

The deadline for nomination is very close: June 17, 2020.

Opportunity for Researchers in Gender Studies

UFSC through the PRINT CAPES project can host two post-doctoral researchers in the field of gender studies in the Interdisciplinary Doctorate in Human Sciences program. A post-doctoral scholarship will be given to PhDs who has completed their doctoral training outside of Brazil, one award will be granted to a junior scholar and another for senior researcher (who has completed their doctorate 10 years or more ago). Attention, the deadline is May 24, 2019 for submission of the application. More info: http://ppgich.ufsc.br/print-project-of-internationalisation/selections-of-bolsistas-jovem-talento-com-experiencia-no-exterior-jtee-e-pos-doutorado-with-experiencia-no-exterior-pdee-capes-print /
Congress of APA
The VII CONGRESSO DA ASSOCIAÇÃO PORTUGUESA DE ANTROPOLOGIA
was held in Lisbon, June 4-7, 2019, at the Faculdade de Ciências Sociais e Humanas, Universidade Nova de Lisboa. The Chair of WCAA, Carmen Rial, participated in the round table "Unexpected Policies: Specters of Dictatorship, Democratic Experiences and Scenarios of Precariousness and Intolerance in Brazil and Portugal.” This round table was organized by the President of ABA, Maria Filomena Gregori and the President of APA, Clara Saraiva.

IUAES membership
Since 2018, the World Council of Anthropological Associations (WCAA) and the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) are happily united as the World Anthropological Union (WAU). While WCAA gathers anthropological associations of the world, IUAES is primarily an organization catering to individual members and holding global congresses for them. If you are interested in world anthropology and want to get in touch with anthropologists from across the world, please consider becoming a member of IUAES. Membership fees are very modest and allow you to connect with a vibrant network of global anthropologists. Every four years there is a World Congress and in the years in between there are smaller, geographically spread Congresses. Our recent congresses were held in Brazil and Canada and forthcoming ones will be in Poland, Croatia and so forth. Moreover, IUAES membership gives you access to over 30 thematic Commissions, each with their own activities. Do you want to know more? Check out our Website, find us on Facebook or Twitter, or send us an e-mail. IUAES membership page is at http://www.iuaes.org/membership.html.
★ CALL FOR PAPERS

Anthropology Southern Africa (ASnA)

FINAL Call for papers and panel proposals - Anthropology Southern Africa Annual Conference 2019 - Nelson Mandela University
Department of Sociology, Anthropology and History
Dates: 26th – 28th September 2019
Narratives of Society in Transition, Crisis and Change

Please send individual paper abstracts and panel proposals to the organisers at Luvuyo.Kiti@mandela.ac.za by 30 May 2019. Panel proposals and individual paper abstracts should be no more than 300 words. For panel proposals, please include a list of prospective participants and their institutional affiliations if these have already been identified.

We welcome abstracts and proposals from anthropology and cognate disciplines that address social and cultural change from a theoretical and/or ethnographic perspective. We are particularly interested in papers which focus on the following themes:

- Indigeneity, tradition and authenticity.
- Indigenous knowledge and Indigenous methodologies.
- Racial politics, human rights and social justice.
- Indigene-ship, migration, citizenship and land rights, identity construction and negotiation.
- African philosophy, worldviews, belief systems, rituals, festivals and ceremonies.
- Media, aesthetics and material culture.
- Power, governance, leadership, politics, corporate world, religious organisations and institutions of higher learning.
- Gender based violence, sexuality and sexual Identities.
- Alcohol and substance abuse.

Australian Anthropological Society - AAS
Call for papers - AAS2019 | Values in Anthropology, Values of Anthropology
The 2019 conference of the Australian Anthropological Society will be held from December 2-5 at the Australian National University, Canberra. This year's meeting will invite contributions to discuss values, in and of anthropology.
Association of Social Anthropologists of Aotearoa/New Zealand
ASAA/NZ 2019 Conference, 28-30 November, Whāingaroa (Raglan), Waikato, New Zealand.
The 2019 ASAA/NZ Conference is convened by Anthropology at the University of Waikato.
Conference Theme: Breaking Boundaries.

Call for Papers: We invite paper abstracts and panel proposals that reflect the conference theme.
All abstracts and proposals should be emailed to asaanz2019@gmail.com.
Panel Proposals due 2 August 2019
Paper proposals due 6 September 2019

Institut Catalá d'Antropologia - ICA
Extension deadline proposals presentation XV ASAEE Congress
Until May 26, 2019, you can send symposium proposals for the XV Congress of Anthropology
to be held in Madrid between 2 and 4 September 2020. You can find the rules of presentation on
the ASAEE website:
https://asaee-antropologia.org/congresos/xv-congreso-de-antropologia/circulares/#1549799824620-5b06cd36-ba33

The proposals must be sent to info@asaee-antropologia.org

Royal Anthropological Institute - RAI
Anthropology and Geography: Dialogues Past, Present and Future
BRITISH MUSEUM/SOAS/RGS, 4 - 7 JUNE 2020
The RAI believes that anthropology and geography should be close, all the more so as the two
disciplines have so much in common, both today and in the past. It hopes very much that through
this conference, existing dialogues can be explored and further conversations take place on a host
of vital issues including the Anthropocene, definitions of ethnology, methodology and fieldwork,
contemporary understanding, education and public awareness, and the place of our disciplines in
the modern world. We hope equally that this will lead to a shared intellectual understanding of
our past and the emergence of the two disciplines, and an even closer engagement in the future,
particularly in terms of emerging fields of mutual interest: e.g. digital media, geospatial
mapping, and satellite photography
Call for Panels opens 1 May 2019 and closes 2 September 2019
Call for Papers opens 23 September 2019 and closes 8 January 2020
Registration opens 24 February 2020
★ UPCOMING CONFERENCES

**Association of Social Anthropologists UK & Commonwealth (ASA)**
The next ASA Conference ASA19: ANTHROPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON GLOBAL CHALLENGES will take place at University of East Anglia, Norwich 3-6 September 2019.

**Canadian Anthropology Society / La Société Canadienne d’Anthropologie - CASCA**
Changing Climates is a joint Canadian Anthropology Society and American Anthropological Association conference, which will take place in Vancouver, November 20-24 2019.

“Changing Climates / Changer d’air”: AAA and CASCA are collaborating for the first time to host the 2019 Annual Meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia. The Executive Program Committee invites anthropologists and their collaborators to examine how we engage with communities around issues of change over time, including climate change, to envision and build a more equitable future. In this sense, “climates” signals the contexts in which we work: environmental, social, and political climates, as well as climates for research, for inclusion and equity, and for teaching. “Climates” also points to anthropology’s holistic approach, which connects systemic elements and can illuminate shifting relationships, conflicts, and opportunities.

**Česká Národopisná Společnost - ČNS**
On 21 - 22 November 2019, the 7th Interdisciplinary Conference of Urban Studies will be held at the Faculty of Social Studies, Masaryk University in Brno, entitled Cities of the Future.

**European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)**
EASA2020 - The 16th EASA biennial conference will take place in Lisbon, from 21-24 July 2020.

More info.

**French Association of Anthropology**
How and Why Do We Unite Today? The Mechanisms and Shifts in a Founding Practice of Societies
An International Conference Organised by the French Association of Anthropology and the Montpellier Bistro of Ethnologists
University of Montpellier, June 14-15 2019

**Finnish Anthropological Society - SAS**
On Time: The Biennial Conference of the Finnish Anthropological Society
Helsinki, August 29–30, 2019

The Finnish Anthropological Society Conference is organised in cooperation with the discipline of Social and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Helsinki and the Finnish Literature Society. The keynote speaker of the conference is Ghassan Hage, and the 2019 Edvard Westermarck memorial lecture will be given by Laura Bear on the eve of the conference (August 28). General inquiries regarding the conference can be addressed to: timeFAS2019[a]gmail.com
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie - DGSKA
The next meeting of the German Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology will take place from September 29 to October 2, 2019 at the University of Konstanz. The conference homepage can be accessed here: https://tagung2019.dgska.de/. There you will also find all information about the registration. If you have any questions about the conference, please contact the conference team in Konstanz at dgska.tagung2019@uni-konstanz.de.

Società Italiana di Antropologia Culturale - SIAC
The future(s) of the Mediterranean between uncertainties and resilience
24 - 26 October 2019, Turin University, Italy

In contrast to some public discourses, which see Mediterranean societies associated with backwardness or which focus mainly on the current economic and political crisis of Mediterranean region, we want to introduce a fresh approach. In this workshop, we approach the Mediterranean as a place in which new ideas and understandings of future(s) are arising as people are trying to find ways to face the uncertainties in their lives.

ALA: XVII Congress of Anthropology in Colombia
Date: June 11-14, 2019
Location: Icesi University, Cali, Colombia
Information: http://www.icesi.edu.co/congreso-anthropologia/

ALA: II Congress of Anthropology and History of Panama
Date: June 18-21, 2019
Location: City of Knowledge Convention Center, Panama City
Information: https://aahpanama.org/

V Brazilian Mexican Anthropology Meeting (EMBRA)
Date: November 18-20, 2019
Location: Mexico City

New WCAA YouTube Channel
Working in progress. WCAA will soon have a channel in YouTube to post web videos, beginning with the interviews during the 6th Biennial Meeting.
Newsletter Info

This newsletter is edited by Michel Bouchard, Secretary of the WCAA, with support from the co-editor, Carmen Rial.

Submissions to the newsletter can be sent by email to Michel Bouchard at Michel.Bouchard@unbc.ca. However, if sending files 10mb or larger, we would recommend using a service such as wetransfer.com to ensure that these files are delivered.

Editor’s note: As always, the newsletter is titled in three languages. This edition is titled in English, Sakha (Yakut), and Komi.