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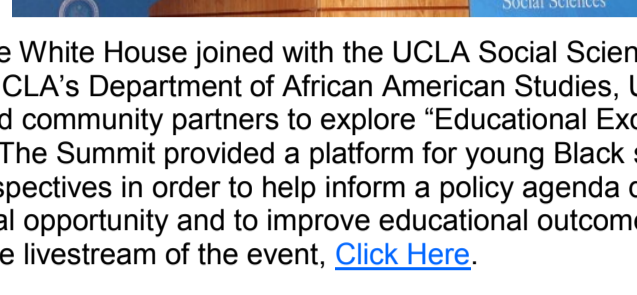
Featured Stories:

Paul Von Blum Abroad, Talks Racism At Home



Racial injustice isn't just a concern on the home front. In spring 2015, Paul Von Blum, Sr. Lecturer in Communications and African American Studies, and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member, took the discussion overseas. Professor Von Blum was invited by Masaryk University in the Czech Republic to talk about racism in the U.S., the Civil Rights Movement, and the legal implications of racial discrimination. The lectures were a truncated version of a popular course he has taught previously at UCLA, "Racism and the Law." To read the full article, [Click Here](#).

Bunche Center, White House & Community Groups Host African American Student Summit



On June 26th, The White House joined with the UCLA Social Sciences Division, the Bunche Center, UCLA's Department of African American Studies, UCLA's Sociology department and community partners to explore "Educational Excellence for African Americans." The Summit provided a platform for young Black student leaders to share their perspectives in order to help inform a policy agenda designed to increase educational opportunity and to improve educational outcomes for all Black youth. To view the livestream of the event, [Click Here](#).

News and Announcements:

The Bunche Center is a hub for lectures, readings, screenings and other informative and entertaining events. To learn more, [Click Here](#).

Still Time to Enroll for Summer African American Studies Courses



Enroll now for Summer Courses for African American Studies. The newly formed department invites you to complete degree objectives this summer with these exciting course offerings. For more information, [Click Here](#).

"Old Boy's Club" Featured on Bunche Website

A UCLA student recently produced a video on the Bunche Center's 2015 Hollywood Diversity Report. The video, "Old Boy's Club: 2015 Hollywood Diversity Report," can be viewed on BuncheTV, on the Bunche Center website. Or you may [Click Here](#).

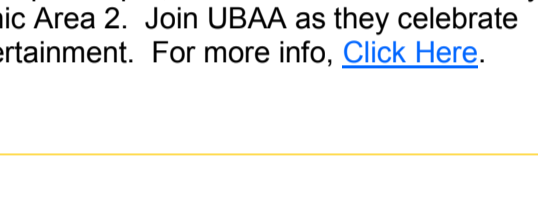


UNCF 33rd Annual Walk for Education August 15, 2015—Exposition Park



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UBAA Upcoming Events August & September

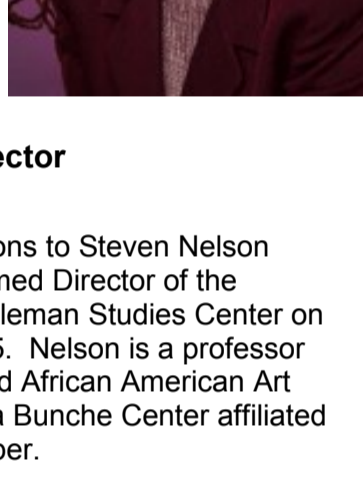


UBAA will hold its General Meeting at 4pm on August 22, 2015 at the James West Alumni Center. On September 12th from 2pm – 5pm, don't miss the UBAA Family Gathering at the Cheviot Hills Park, Picnic Area 2. Join UBAA as they celebrate family, food and fun with music and entertainment. For more info, [Click Here](#).

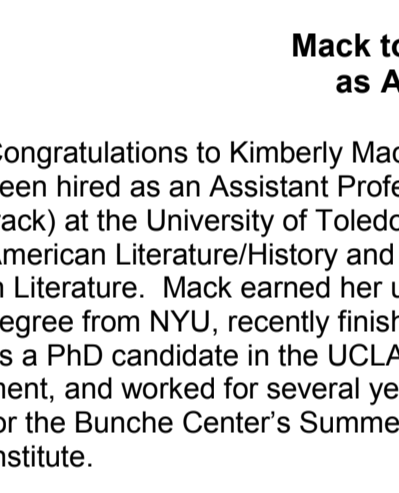
Faculty News:

Crenshaw Releases New Reports

Kimberlé Williams Crenshaw, professor of law at both UCLA Law School and Columbia Law School. She is Director of the Center for Intersectionality and Social Policy Studies (CISPS) at Columbia Law School, as well as a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member. She recently released two reports: *Black Girls Matter: Pushed Out, Overpoliced and Underprotected* and *Say Her Name: Resisting Police Brutality Against Black Women*. In addition, in June, the African American Policy Forum, where Crenshaw serves as executive director, held the 10th Anniversary of their Social Justice Writers Retreat in Negril, Jamaica.



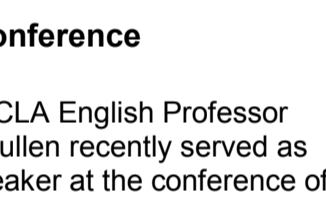
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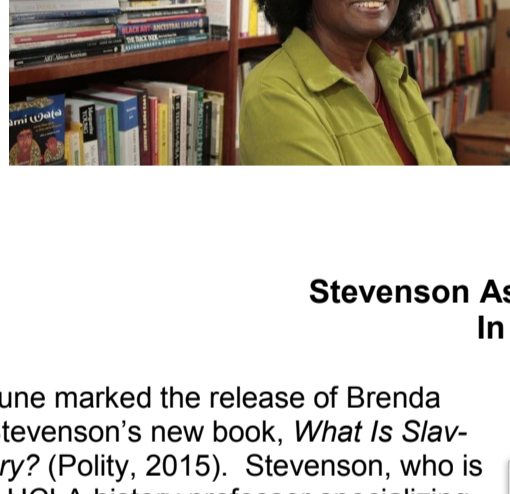
Congratulations to Steven Nelson who was named Director of the James S. Coleman Studies Center on July 1st, 2015. Nelson is a professor of African and African American Art History and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member.

Mack to University of Toledo as Assistant Professor

Congratulations to Kimberly Mack, who has been hired as an Assistant Professor (tenure-track) at the University of Toledo in African American Literature/History and Theory of Race in Literature. Mack earned her undergraduate degree from NYU, recently finished her last year as a PhD candidate in the UCLA English Department, and worked for several years as a GSR for the Bunche Center's Summer Humanities Institute.



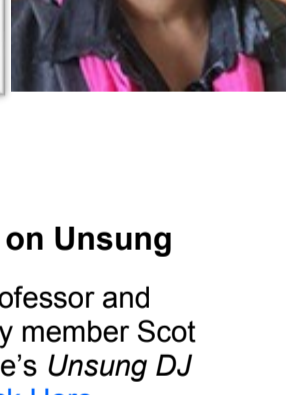
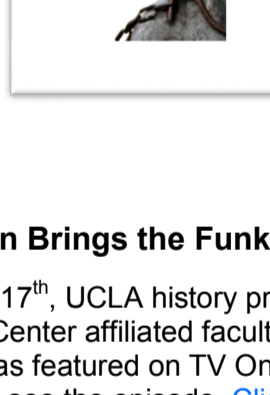
Mullen Gives Keynote at SASS Conference



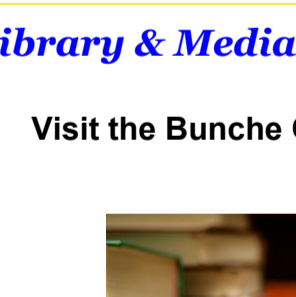
Poet and UCLA English Professor Harryette Mullen recently served as keynote speaker at the conference of SASS (Spanish Association of American Studies) at the Universidad Complutense in Madrid. In addition, she was guest speaker in an "Author's Evening" for Emerging Voices at the PEN Center, and was interviewed for NPR about the new edition of the novel *Oreo* by Fran Ross. Mullen was recently selected for publication in *The Best American Poetry*, edited by David Lehman and Terrance Hayes.

Stevenson Asks "What Is Slavery?" In New Book

June marked the release of Brenda Stevenson's new book, *What Is Slavery?* (Polity, 2015). Stevenson, who is a UCLA history professor specializing in African-American history and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member, was the recent recipient of a 2015 Guggenheim Fellowship.



What Is Slavery? focuses on the experience of black people in the United States from the colonial period to the Civil War. To learn more about the book, [Click Here](#).

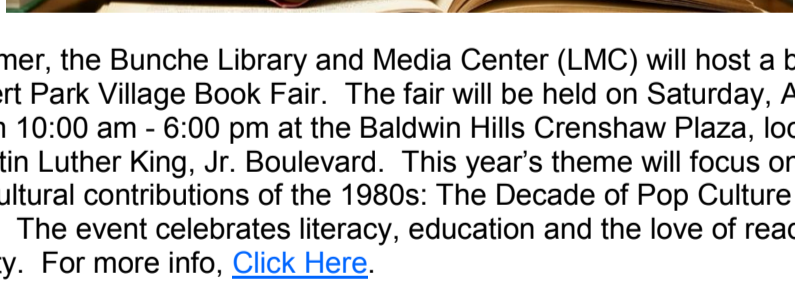


Brown Brings the Funk on *Unsung*

On June 17th, UCLA history professor and Bunche Center affiliated faculty member Scot Brown was featured on TV One's *Unsung DJ Quik*. To see the episode, [Click Here](#).

Library & Media Center News:

Visit the Bunche Center Booth at the Leimert Park Book Fair Saturday, August 1, 2015



This summer, the Bunche Library and Media Center (LMC) will host a booth at the Leimert Park Village Book Fair. The fair will be held on Saturday, August 1, 2015 from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm at the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza, located at 3650 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. This year's theme will focus on the literary and cultural contributions of the 1980s: The Decade of Pop Culture and Generation X. The event celebrates literacy, education and the love of reading in the community. For more info, [Click Here](#).

The Bunche Library and Media Center (LMC) has print, multimedia, and archival materials relevant to African Americans and the diaspora, their institutions and achievements worldwide, with a particular emphasis on UCLA, Los Angeles, and the Southwestern United States.

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