



Featured Stories:

The Doors **John Densmore** **Meets with Scholarship Recipients Past and Present**



May 13, 2015, John Densmore, drummer for the iconic musical group, *The Doors*, and longtime Bunche Center contributor, took part in an interactive Bunche Circle of Thought discussion exploring King's non-violent protest in the 21st Century.

Afterwards, Densmore had lunch with current UCLA student Chelsea Davis, this year's recipient of his scholarship. They were joined by Jalila Salaam, who was also a recipient in 1997.

Salaam, now an educator, also participated on the panel. In 1991, Densmore established an endowment fund to support UCLA undergraduate students who major or minor in African American Studies.

Kelvin White Appointed **OU Associate Dean**

Dr. Kelvin White, an Associate Professor of Information Studies in the School of Library and Information Studies at University of Oklahoma, was recently appointed Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Community. White, whose research examines the interconnections between the social, cultural, and historical contexts in which record-keeping activities exist and the implications

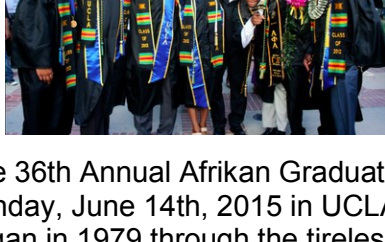


they have for underrepresented communities, started his academic career by participating in the Bunche Center's Summer Humanities Institute (SHI). Congratulations to Dr. White on his appointment. To read the full story, [Click Here](#).

News and Announcements:

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

Be a Part of the Afrikan Graduation Ceremony - June 14th, 2015



The 36th Annual Afrikan Graduation Ceremony will take place at 5:00pm on Sunday, June 14th, 2015 in UCLA's Royce Hall. UCLA's Afrikan Graduation began in 1979 through the tireless work and dedication of fourteen students who decided to create a commencement ceremony for students of African descent. Since then, Black Bruins continue the tradition of recognizing their accomplishments by participating in the annual ceremony.

The ceremony, which is infused with the spirit of African culture, strives to celebrate the academic achievements of graduating students individually and as a group, while also promoting retention among the black students on campus. Additionally, the ceremony seeks to unite the extended UCLA community and acknowledge the graduates' families, for which their accomplishments are mutually shared.

All graduating students, regardless of race or ethnicity, who wish to celebrate the culmination of their UCLA education in the spirit of Afrikan culture, are encouraged to participate in the Afrikan Graduation Ceremony congratulating the Class of 2015! For more info, [Click Here](#).

California Education Funders Forum **Thursday, June 18th, 2015**

The mission of the Educate California Funders Forum is to provide collaborative partners, service providers and non-profit organizations with access to grant-makers that focus on education, youth and parental engagement. The 2015 Funders Forum includes:

- Corporate & Foundation Funders
- Break-out Workshop Sessions
- Luncheon with Funders
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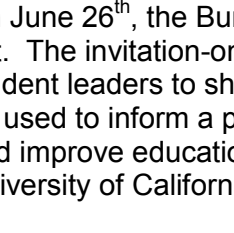
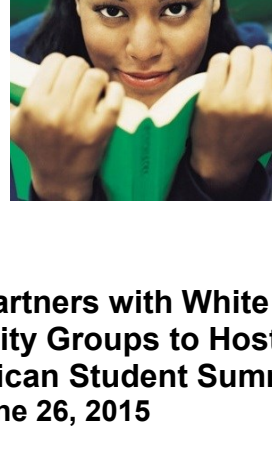
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Session A	Session C
AF AMER 6- Black Intellectual Thought Prof. Steiner, MW 10:00AM-12:50PM	AF AMER M114E- Malcolm X & Black Liberation Dr. Dale Tamm, TR 10:45AM-12:50PM
AF AMER M107- Cultural History- Rap Prof. Briggs, TR 10:00AM-12:50PM	AF AMER M190D- Afro-American Urban History Prof. Brown, TR 1:00PM-3:03PM
AF AMER M144- African American Politics Prof. Tyson, MW 1:00PM-3:03PM	AF AMER 188A- Locking Black Prof. Ras Jero Sable, MW 10:45AM-12:50PM
AF AMER M18C- Intro to Afro-American History Prof. Brown, MW 1:00PM-3:03PM	AF AMER C191 SEM 1- Introduction to Black Studies Prof. Peters, TR 1:00PM-3:03PM
AF AMER 188A Sem 1- Sports, Media, and American Culture Dr. Libby Lewis, MW 10:45AM-12:50PM	AF AMER C191 SEM 2- Issues in Pan-African Biography and Autobiography Prof. Hudson, TR 10:45AM-12:50PM
AF AMER 188A Sem 2- Everyone Was King: Fighting Dr. Zachary Price, TR 1:00PM-3:03PM	
AF AMER C191 Sem 3- Hip Hop as Activism Rosa Clemente, TR 10:45AM-12:50PM	

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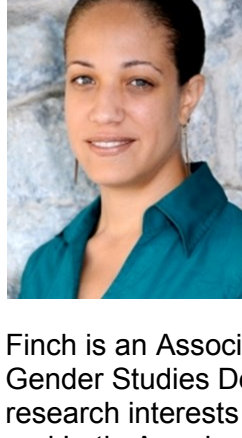
Bunche Center Partners with White House **& Community Groups to Host** **African American Student Summit** **June 26, 2015**

On June 26th, the Bunche Center will host the African American Student Summit. The invitation-only event is designed to provide a platform for young Black student leaders to share their lived experiences and perspectives. These will be used to inform a policy agenda designed to increase educational opportunity and improve educational outcomes for all Black youth and highlight ways the University of California system can better support African American scholarship.

The event is co-sponsored by the White House, UCLA Bunche Center, UTLA (joint NEA/AFT Union), Magic Johnson Foundation's Taylor Michaels Scholarship Program, and the Brotherhood Crusade.

Faculty News:

Finch Releases New Book on **Cuban Slave Rebellion**

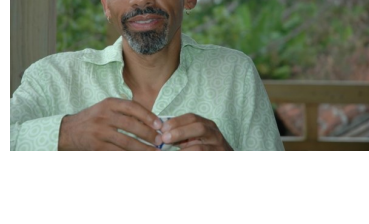


Aisha Finch's new book, *Rethinking Slave Rebellion in Cuba: La Escalera and the Insurgencies of 1841-1844* (UNC Press, 2015), will be released in early June. The book is part of the University of North Carolina Press's *Envisioning Cuba* Series. The book looks at how organized slave resistance became critical to the unraveling of slavery and colonial power systems in the 1800s.

Finch is an Associate Professor (effective July 1st) in the UCLA Department of Gender Studies Department and a Bunche Center affiliated faculty member. Her research interests are in African Diaspora Studies, Black Feminism, Caribbean and Latin American History, Race and Gender in Cuba, Comparative Slavery, and Black Cultural Studies. The Bunche Center would like to congratulate Professor Finch on her tenure. To learn more about her book, [Click Here](#).

Kelley on Panel for Hammer Museum's **Black Music & Aesthetics of Protest** **Tuesday, June 2, 2015**

UCLA History Professor and Bunche Center affiliated faculty member Robin Kelley serves on a panel exploring the role of Black opera and other genres of Black music in achieving racial justice and social change, the persistent exclusionary politics of musical genres, and the future revolutionary potential of historically defined Black genres. To learn more, [Click Here](#).



Library & Media Center News:

Visit the Bunche Center Booth **Leimert Park Book Fair** **Saturday, August 1, 2015** **10am—6:00pm**

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 and the love of reading in the community.



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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.

Please check the Bunche Center website for summer library hours. Research and reference questions by phone and email are always welcome. The Librarian can be reached at 310-825-6060 or by email at dhunter@bunche.ucla.edu. The LMC is located in 135 Haines Hall. For more about the library, [Click Here](#).

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