

# SCHEDULE OF PANELS AND EVENTS

*Thursday, March 23, 2006*

## **Arrival of Participants**

Holiday Inn Town Lake  
20 North IH-35 Austin, TX 78701  
Ph. 512-472-8211

## **REGISTRATION & WELCOME, 5-10 PM**

HOLIDAY INN TOWN LAKE (In Toyin Falola's room)

## CONFERENCE VENUE

The Texas Union, The University of Texas at Austin

## OFFICIAL BASE AND PARTICIPANTS' INTERACTION VENUE

2.102 Eastwoods Room, Texas Union

*Friday, March 24, 2006*

## **PANEL SESSION A, 11AM – 12:30PM**

**A1: DEITIES IN MOTION, DIASPORA, & RESISTANCE** 3.208 Lone Star Room  
*Chair: Anthony Attah Agbali, Wayne State University*

Finding Africa in the Dances of the Gods  
*Cheryl Sterling, New York University*

Transnational Displacements and Cultural Continuity: The Survival of Yoruba Religious Poetry in the Americas Today  
*Akinyemi Akintunde, University of Florida at Gainesville*

Milton Nascimento's *Missa dos Quilombos*: Musical Invocation, Race, and Liberation  
*Niyi Afolabi, University of Massachusetts at Amherst*

The *Lukumi* Legacy of Resistance in Cuba  
*Adam Carpinelli, Syracuse University*

Caribbean Freemasons in Africa, 1880-1939  
*Veronique Helenon*

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**A2: AFRICAN WOMEN, MIGRATION, & HUMAN TRAFFICKING** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room  
*Chair: Jamaine Abidogun, Missouri State University*

Trafficking of Young Women and Girls: A Case of "Au Pair" and Domestic Laborers in Tanzania  
*Elinami Veraeli Swai, Penn State University*

**Widowhood in Nigeria: Problems and Prospects for Development**

*Felicia A.D. Oyekanmi, University of Lagos*

**Child Trafficking: A Trans border Journey from Hope to Hopelessness**

*Oluyemisi Bamgbose, University of Ibadan*

**Journey to Work: Nigerian Prostitutes in the Gold Coast (Ghana)**

*Saheed Aderinto*

**Trafficking in Women from Africa to Europe**

*Nwando Joy Obika, Solicitor General, Human Rights Development Organization, Awka, Nigeria*



**A3: CULTURAL PRODUCTION ON AFRICAN (IM)MIGRATION** 4.110 African-American Culture

*Chair: Gerald Steyn, Tshwane University of Technology*

**Immigrants, Pilgrimage and Imagination: Cinematic Portrayals of African Immigrants in Movies (*Coming to America, In America, and Dirty Pretty Things Coming to South Africa*)**

*Raphael Obotama, Wayne State University*

**On the Genealogy of Modern State-Sponsored Terrorism and Genocide: Reflecting on Jean-Marie Teno’s *Le Malentendu Colonial***

*Olivier Chouaffe, University of Texas at Austin*

**Transculturation and Cultural Correspondences in Contemporary African Drama: The Nigerian Experience**

*Ademola Omobewaji Dasylva, University of Ibadan*

**Cultural and Ethnic Accommodation of New-Comers in South Africa**

*Gxowa-Dlayedwa Zodwa, University of Western Cape*

**LUNCH, 12:30-1:45 PM**

Various places within the Union (Burgers, Sandwiches, Pizza, etc.):

*Wendy’s*

*Taco Bell*

*Bene Pizzeria & Pasta*

*Cactus Cafe*

*Chick-fil-A*

*Java City at the Commons*

*Field of Greens*

*Quizno’s*

*Smokehouse BBQ*

*Sushi Bar*

*Turntable Cafe*

Or places within walking distance. Step out of the Union, make a right and you are on Guadalupe:

*Madam Mam’s (Thai food), 2514 Guadalupe - it’s north of the co-op*

*Austin Pizza, 2324 Guadalupe*

*Slices and Ices, 2530 Guadalupe- north of the co-op*

*Texadelphia, 2422 Guadalupe, - north of the co-op*

*Veggie Heaven (tofu, rice, ), 1914-A Guadalupe - south of the co-op*

*Pho (Vietnamese cuisine)- south of the co-op*

*Jack in the Box - On Guadalupe*

*Einstein’s Bagels - On Guadalupe*

*Subway - 2323 San Antonio St.*

*Roly Poly Sandwiches - 2421 San Antonio St*

*Food Court in Dobie Mall*

## PANEL SESSION B, 2 – 3:30PM

### **B1: MULTIPLE DIASPORAS AND PAN-AFRICANISM** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room

*Chair: Cecilia Obeng, Indiana University*

Identity, 'Foreignness' and the Dilemma of Immigrants at the Coast of Kenya: Interrogating the Myth of 'Black Arabs' among Kenyan Africans

*Maurice N. Amutabi, Central Washington University*

Forensic Language Analysis in Asylum Applications of African Refugees: Challenges & Promises

*Fallou Ngom, Western Washington University*

Pan Africanism: The Impact of the Nkrumah Years 1945-1966

*Obinna Onwumere, School of Public Affairs, Baruch College, City University of New York*

Following the Yellow Brick Road?: Omoluwabi" in the land of Oz

*Omofolabo Ajayi Soyinka, University of Kansas*

A Critical Analysis of the Social and Economic Impact of the Asian Diaspora in Kenya

*Winston Akala, Francis Ogino & Felix Kiruthu (Maurice Amutabi)*



### **B2: MIGRATION FOR DEVELOPMENT** 3.208 Lone Star Room

*Chair: Felicia A.D. Oyekanmi, University of Lagos*

A Southern Perspective on Public Choice and Efficiency of Environmental Policy in Heterogeneous Society: The Impact of Population Mobility

*Joshua Gogo, Carleton University, Ottawa*

Searching the World: Following Three Graduating Classes of a Nigerian Medical School

*Ike Anya, Bristol North Primary Care Trust, Chikwe Ihekweazu, & Enyi Anosike*

Ethio-Sudanese Relation and the Pattern of Refugee Flow in the Horn of Africa, (1970s-1990s)

*Solomon A Getahun, Central Michigan University*

The Economic Cost of Government Policy on Displaced People in Central Nigeria

*Ibrahim Umaru, Nasarawa State University*



### **B3: IMPERIALISM AND AFRICAN MOVEMENTS/MIGRATIONS** 4.110 African-American Culture

*Chair: Jean-Luc Martineau, Université Paris 7*

Beyond the "Zulu Aftermath": Unscrambling Southern Africa's "Mfecane"

*John Wright, University of KwaZulu*

'Scattering Time:' Anti-Colonial Resistance, and Migration among the Jo-Ugenya of Kenya toward the End of the 19th Century

*Meshack Owino, Cleveland State University*

Walking for Land, Drinking Palm Wine: Migrant Farmers and the Historicity of Land Conflict in Brong Ahafo, Ghana

*Isidore Lobnibe, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

Nigerian Migrants in the Cameroons and the Reactions of the Host Communities, 1885 – 1961

*Adebayo A. Lawal, University of Lagos*

Immigration and Internal Population Displacement: Changing Pattern of Food Growth and Distribution Trends in Nigeria, 1999-2005

*Francis A. Agbali, University of Agriculture, Makurdi*

## PANEL SESSION C, 3:45 – 5:15PM

**C1: ROUNDTABLE: Comparative Diasporas and (Im)Migrations – Rethinking Histories of African, Latino and Asian Migrations** 3.208 Lone Star Room  
*Chair: Laurie Green, University of Texas at Austin*

Panel:

*John McKiernan Gonzalez, University of Texas at Austin*

*Emilio Zamora, University of Texas at Austin*

*Laurie Green, University of Texas at Austin*

*Frank Guridy, University of Texas at Austin*

*Kimberly Alidio, University of Texas at Austin*



**C2: DIASPORA WITHIN/WITHOUT AND SHIFTING IDENTITIES** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room  
*Chair: Solomon A Getahun, Central Michigan University*

The Hausa Diaspora in Ghana, 1820-1960

*Edmund Abaka, University of Miami at Coral Gables*

Ghana: Education and Culture – The Question of Gender Role Change

*Jamaine Abidogun, Missouri State University*

Migration and Identity Formation: Ecology, Migration Patterns, and the Igbo of West Africa

*Chima J. Korieh, Rowan University*

Shifting Identities of Nigerian Yorubas in Dahomey and Republic of Benin c.1940-c.2004

*Jean-Luc Martineau, Université Paris 7*

Migration, Shifting Identities, and Cultural and Political Accommodation in Anglophone Cameroon

*Conrad Ekellem, Anucam Center for Research and Development, Cameroon*



**C3: MIGRANT LABOR, SACRIFICE, & (UNDER)DEVELOPMENT** 4.110 Afr.-American Culture  
*Chair: Catherine Boone, University of Texas at Austin*

The Impact of the Relationship between Migrants and Traditional/Tribal Authorities on South African Mining Communities

*J. Freek Cronje, North West University in SA and Charity Chenga, University of Kent, UK*

The Labor Market in Colonial Africa: Constraints and Competition—The Case of Upper Volta Migrant Workers, 1920-1945

*Issiaka Mandé, Université Paris 7*

Migrants in French Sudan: Gender Biases in the Historiography

*Marie Rodet, University of Vienna*

Defending the Housing Rights of Displaced Persons in Urban Nigeria

*Chris Agoha, United Nations Mission in Liberia*

The 'Uprooted Emigrant': The Impact of the Brain Drain, Brain Gain and Brain Circulation on Africa's Development

*Godwin S.M. Okeke, University of Lagos*

**RECEPTION, 5:30- 7PM** (conference participants only)  
Center for African American and African Studies, Jester A232A  
Welcome: Dr. Omi Osun, Associate Director, CAAAS

*Saturday, March 25*

**Continental Breakfast, 8.30AM**

100 GARRISON HALL (all-day coffee room, 100 Garrison Hall)

**PANEL SESSION D, 9:00-10:30AM**

**D1: ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING, REFUGEES AND SQUATTERS** 3.304 Quadrangle room

*Chair: Edmund Abaka, University of Miami at Coral Gables*

Trafficking Contracts: Myth or Reality? Re-Examination of Consent in Human Trafficking

*Victor Nnamdi Opara, New York University*

The Making of a Modern Diaspora: From Kakuma to the Land of Opportunity, the Resettlement Process of the Somali Bantu refugees in the United States

*Omar A. Eno, Portland State University*

Identity and agency amongst Sudanese refugees with protracted refugee status in Adjumani District, Uganda

*Samantha Paxton, University of Texas at Austin*

Squatting and settlement-making in Mamelodi, South Africa

*Gerald Steyn, Tshwane University of Technology*

Migration of Female Nigerians across the Western Cameroon-Nigeria Borders

*Lotsmart N. Fonjong, University of Buea*

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**D2: MIGRATION AND ISSUES OF CULTURAL RETENTIONS** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room

*Chair: Steve Salm, Xavier, New Orleans*

'Born in the USA': Dislocation, Disrupted Kinship Networks, and the Transformative Power of Music and Dance in African Immigrant Baby Naming Ceremonies

*Sherri Canon, Los Angeles Trade Technical College*

"No Matter How Long a Piece of Wood Remains in a River, It Does Not Turn into a Crocodile": Language and Culture Maintenance among Akan-Ghanaian Immigrants Living in the United States

*Samuel Obeng, Indiana University at Bloomington*

Celebratory Spaces between Homeland and Host: Politics, Culture, and Performance in New York's Malian Community

*Ryan Skinner, Columbia University*

Reconciling Exiles and their Tormentors: Appraisal of Selected Medieval-Contemporary African Peace-Building Paradigms

*A.D. Aina, Babcock University*

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**D3: AFRICANISMS IN THE DIASPORA** 3.208 Lone Star Room

*Chair: Tony Hopkins, University of Texas at Austin*

"Calling Oneself Whatever Name One Chooses in a Foreign Land": The plight of Nigerian Refugees Seeking Asylum in the UK

*B. Akintúndé Oyètádé, SOAS, University of London*

'Africa Speaks in Me': How the Diaspora Shaped the Languages of the Caribbean, Then and Now

*Ann Albuyeh & Michael Sharp, University of Puerto Rico*

Questions of Self-Identity and Self-Autonomy: African Texts and Religious Conversion in the Eighteenth Century Danish-Norwegian West Indies

*Ray A. Kea, University of California at Riverside*

Food and Language: African Roots of American Southern Culture

*Fehintola Mosadomi, University of Texas at Austin*

**PANEL SESSION E, 10:45AM - 12:15PM**

**E1: ROUNDTABLE: THE AUSTIN SCHOOL: DIASPORA THEORY FROM THE MARGINS OF BLACKNESS** 3.208 Lone Star Room

*Chair: Joni Jones, University of Texas at Austin*

**Panelists:**

*Edmund T. Gordon, University of Texas at Austin*

*Jemima Pierre, University of Texas at Austin*

*Jafari Allen, University of Texas at Austin*

*João Costa Vargas, University of Texas at Austin*

*Maria Franklin, University of Texas at Austin*



**E2: MIGRATIONS, AESTHETICS, AND AFRICAN ART** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room

*Chair: Ray A. Kea, University of California at Riverside*

Dialogues of Zimbabwean Stone Sculpture: Speaking of Art, Home, and Stereotypes

*Lance Larkin, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

Iconicity and Migration as Paradigms in the Aesthetic Transformation of Yoruba Art in the West

*Christopher Adejumo, University of Texas at Austin*

Migrations, Identities and Transculturation in the Coastal Cities of Yorubaland in the Second Half of the Second Millenary: Another Approach of African History through Architecture

*Brigitte Kowalski Oshineye, Ecole du Louvre, Paris, France*

In the Eye of the Storm: Conflict Impact on Art Tradition in Pre- and Postcolonial Ibadan

*Adérónké Adésolá Adésànyà, University of Ibadan*

Hybrid Forms in the Built Environment: A Case Study of African Cities

*Abimbola O. Asojo, University of Oklahoma*



**E3: IMMIGRANTS, REFUGEES AND HOST SOCIETIES** 3.304 Quadrangle room

*Chair: Akin Ogundiran, Florida International*

**"Re-Pounding the Yams; Re-Cooking the Stew": Factors Responsible for the Education of Nigerian Immigrants in England and the United States**

*Michael Oládèjo Afoláyan (with Akin Oyetade), Southern Illinois University at Edwardville*

**Paradoxes of Immigrant Incorporation: Promises and Prohibitions of Income, Education, Perceived Discrimination, and Accent Among Nigerians in Dallas/Forth Worth, Texas (USA)**

*Dennis D. Cordell, Southern Methodist University*

**Policy Implications of African Refugees Settling in the United States**

*Femina T. M. Ajayi, University of Indiana, Bloomington*

**Ethnic Stratification and Clan Supremacy: The Plight of the Somali Refugees in Kenya**

*Mohamed A. Eno, St. Clements University, Turks & Caicos Islands*

**LUNCH, 12:30-1:45 PM**

**PANEL SESSION F, 2 - 3:30PM**

**F1: VIOLENCE AND TRAUMAS OF DISPLACEMENT** 3.304 Quadrangle room

*Chair: Samuel Obeng, Indiana University*

**Women in the Vortex of Violence and Forced Migration: The 1994 Nanumba-Konkomba Ethnic Conflict**

*Kwabena O. Akurang-Parry, Shippensburg University*

**Emerging Issues in the Trafficking of African Women for Prostitution**

*Victor Nnamdi Opara, New York University*

**Intergroup Migrations, Conflicts and Displacement in Africa: A Historical Appraisal of the Central Nigerian Experience**

*Okpeh O. Okpeh, Jr., Benue State University*



**F2: LITERATURE AND THE POLITICS OF DISPLACEMENT** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room

*Chair: Barbara Harlow, University of Texas at Austin*

**Out of Africa: Theory and the Displacement of African Literature**

*Hetty ter Haar, Independent Scholar*

**Theory on the Move: *Anowa* and the Politics of Displacement**

*Kristina Maki, Institute of English Studies, School of Advanced Study, University of London*

**Displacement, Migration and Borders in *The Suns of Independences* by Ahmadou Kourouma**

*Ghislaine GÉLOIN, Rhode Island College*

**The Migration and Reintegration of Male Characters in Tess Onwueme's *Legacy***

*Juliette Bartlett Pack, University of Phoenix/DeVry University*





**F3: MIGRATION, EDUCATIONAL EQUITY, AND DEVELOPMENT** 3.208 Lone Star Room

*Chair: James Wilson, University of Texas*

Migration and Institution Building in Africa: Time to Revisit the Lagos Plan of Action

*Kenneth Kalu, Carleton University*

School Migrations: A Major Concern in Previously Disadvantaged Schools in South Africa

*Myra Maboya, Graduate School of Education, Bristol, UK*

African Immigrant Families and the American Educational System

*Cecilia Obeng, Indiana University at Bloomington*

The US-Somali Diaspora

*Natoschia Scruggs, University of California at Berkeley*

Small Arms and Accentuation of Internal Conflicts and Displacement in Nigeria since the New Political Dispensation

*Olayemi Akinwumi, Nasarawa State University*

**PANEL SESSION G, 3:45 – 5:15PM**

**G1: HEALTH ISSUES, MIGRATION, AND DEVELOPMENT** 3.208 Lone Star Room

*Chair: Dennis D. Cordell, Southern Methodist University*

'There Will Be a Next Time': Media Discourse of an 'Apocalyptic' Vision of Immigration and Health Risks

*Charles Adeyanju, University of Victoria*

Culture and Dental Health among African Immigrant School-Age Children

*Cecilia S. Obeng, Indiana University at Bloomington*

Migration and Health in Africa and the African Diaspora

*Kathryn H. Jacobsen, Calvin College*

"Predatory Globalization": Can Trade in Health Services at the WTO Address the Migration of African Health Professionals to the West?

*Obijofor Aginam, Carleton University*

Health Status – Reason for Migration

*Akiyode Olufunke Adesuwa, Strayer University, Washington DC*

Managing the Migration of Health-Care Workers—Toward the Transfer of Knowledge, Skill and Professionalism: The Pharmacist's perspective

*Oladapo Augustus, Adeoyo Maternity Teaching Hospital, Ibadan, Nigeria*



**G2: RELIGION AND (IM)MIGRATION IN AFRICA & THE DIASPORA** 3.304 Quadrangle room

*Chair: Niyi Afolabi, University of Massachusetts at Amherst*

African Immigrants in Urban America: Construction of Social identity and Religion in St. Louis, Missouri

*Anthony Attah Agbali, Wayne State University*

Exporting Religion Abroad: New African Immigrants in America and their Churches

*Adebayo Oyebade, Tennessee State University*

Senegalese Sufi Orders in the Transnational Space: Moving Religious Activities from Home to Host Countries and Creating Diasporic identities

*Abdoulaye Kane, University of Florida at Gainesville*



Meanings of Igbo Masquerades and Carnivals of the Diaspora  
*Raphael Chijioke Njoku, University of Louisville*

"Running With The Prophecy": The Redeemed Christian Church of God in North America, 1992-2005  
*Olufunke Adeboye, University of Lagos*

Connecting Religious Conflicts and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPS) in Nigeria  
*Gwamna Dogara Je'adayibe, University of Jos*



**G3: PRE-COLONIAL YORUBA MIGRATION AND IDENTITIES** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room  
*Chair: Funso Akingbala, University of Texas at Austin*

Migrating Subjects, Frontier Process, and Cultural Transformations in Yorubaland, Seventeenth Century  
*Akin Ogundiran, Florida International University*

The Root Is Also Here: The Non-Diasporic Foundations of Yoruba Ethnicity  
*Olatunji Ojo, Syracuse University*

Revisiting the Lagos Awori Frontier: Migrations and the 19<sup>th</sup> Century Transformation  
*Hakeem I. Tijani, University of St. Francis*

Migrations, Ethnogenesis, and Settlement Dynamics in Precolonial Yorubaland, Nigeria  
*Aribidesi Usman, Arizona State University*



**Cash Bar, 6:45PM**  
Holiday Inn, Town Lake

**Banquet, 7:30 PM**  
Holiday Inn, Registered Participants and Invited Guests Only  
Welcome: Gregory J Vincent  
Dinner Speech: Kassahun Checole, Founder and President, Africa World Press  
Presentation of the 2006 UT African Distinguished Africanist Award  
Dance

*Sunday, March 26*

**Coffee, 8.30AM**

100 GARRISON HALL

Luggage Room, 2.102 Eastwoods (Depart here to Holiday Inn to take the shuttle to the airport)

**PANEL SESSION H, 9 - 10:30AM**

**H1: TRANS-ATLANTIC MIGRATIONS AND NEW COMMUNITIES** 3.208 Lone Star Room  
*Co- Chairs: Hakeem Tijani, University of St. Francis & Ayandiji D. Aina, Babcock University*

Nationalist Mythmaking, Cultural Identity, and Nation Building: African Minorities in the U.S. and Latin America

*S. W. Nasong'o, Rhodes College at Memphis*

Voluntary Transatlantic Migrations: The Nigerian Experience with the American Visa Lottery  
*Elizabeth Oluwakemi Augustus, Federal College of Agriculture & Preston Tunji Augustus, Interlink, Huntsville*

Ethnic Identities and the Culture of Modernity in Northwestern Zimbabwe, 1963-1979

*Pius S. Nyambara, Jackson State University*

From Slave Ships to Immigration Lotteries: A Comparative Study of Labor Migration Patterns from Africa to the Americas

*N. Oluwafemi Mimiko, Adekunle Ajasin University*

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**H2: DEVELOPMENT, MIGRATION AND CHANGE** 4.206 Chicano Culture Room

*Chair: Brigitte Kowalski Oshineye, Ecole du Louvre, Paris, France*

Culture and Human Development in Twenty-first Century Africa

*Demola Babalola, Obafemi Awolowo University*

African Political Instability and the Search for an Inclusive Society

*Chika B. Onwuekwe, University of Calgary*

Nigerian Exiles, Democratic Struggles and the Notion of Sacrifice: Interspatial Activism and the Proactive Discourses of Liberation

*Anthony Attah Agbali, Wayne State University*

Poverty: The Bane of Movements and Migrations in Africa: A Case Study of Nigeria

*Oluwole Olusegun Akiyode, Bell International Ltd./Lagos State Ministry of the Environment*

Settlement Strategies, Ceramic Use and Factors of Change Among the People of Osun North East of Osun State

*Adisa Ogunfolakan, Harvard University*

## PANEL SESSION I, 10:45 – 12:15PM

**I1: GLOBALIZATION, MIGRATION, & HYBRIDITY** 3.208 Lone Star Room  
*Chair: Fehintola Mosadomi, University of Texas at Austin*

Nativity and Africans in the New Global World  
*Abdul-Rasheed Na'Allah, Western Illinois University*

Urban displacements in Zimbabwe at a time of Fear and Loathing: forced migration during Operation  
*Murambatsvina* in 2005  
*Deborah Potts, King's College, London*

Peoples Without Homes: Displacement and Security Situation in Africa  
*Oyenyi Bukola Adeyemi, Redeemer's University*

Conjuring Boundaries: Theorizing migration story of Sudanese Women  
*Lindah L. Mhando, St. Cloud State University*

The Impact of Forced Labor Migrations for Tin Mining in the Jos Plateau on the Tiv Agricultural Sector of  
Central Nigeria, ca. 1902-1945  
*Akpen Phillip, University of Kano*



**I2: MIGRATIONS, IMAGINATION, & TRANSFORMATIVE POSSIBILITIES** 4.206 Chic. Cult. Rm  
*Chair: Ben Lindfors, University of Texas at Austin*

The Imperial Dimensions of Recent Sudanese *Testimonio*  
*Rebecca Lorins, University of Texas at Austin*

Francophone Memoirs of Migration: Another Historical Perspective?  
*Edgard Sankara, University of Delaware*

Restoring Narrative, Narrating Justice: Njabulo Ndebele's *The Cry of Winnie Mandela* and the Complication of Truth and Reconciliation  
*Joe Napolitano, Georgetown University*

Poems of South African Jail and Exile: A Reassessment of the Early Poetry of Dennis Brutus  
*Michael Sharp, University of Puerto Rico--Río Piedras*

The Madonna of Excelsior: narrating transformative possibilities  
*N. S. Zulu, University of Stellenbosch*