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## USPS Postage Rate Changes effective May 12, 2008

Several USPS rate changes will take effect May 12, 2008.

Please note that postage for a 1 oz First-Class letter will increase from 41 to 42 cents and the rate for postcards will increase from 26 to 27 cents.

First-Class Mail International to Canada and Mexico (1 oz) will be 72 cents. First-Class Mail International to all other countries (1 oz) will be 94 cents. Postcards to Canada and Mexico will be 72 cents. Postcards to all other countries will be 94 cents.

There are other rate changes. Prices for International Mail, Express Mail, Priority Mail, Parcel Select, and Parcel Return Service will change. For details click on "New Prices May 12" from either:

<http://www.usps.gov> or <http://www.usps.com>

## KUDOS:

Congratulations to **Gaya Embuldeniya** on her receipt of a Wenner Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant for her project, "Producing the Homeland from Elsewhere: The Changing Place-making Practices of Sri Lankan Tamils in Toronto."

## DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS:

### Anthropology Spring Proseminar Speakers:

Speaker 3 - May 15 and May 16, 2008

**Dr. Tim Pauketat, Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**

Round Table Discussion - Thursday, May 15, 2008; 1:30-3:30 PM ~ HSSB 2001A

Talk - Friday, May 16, 2008; 3:30-5:00 PM; HSSB 2001A

### **Prophets, Peace-Makers, and the Civilizing Process in Ancient Native North America**

Religion, violence, and political centralization are all entangled in larger fields of human experience, perception, and agency. The latest archaeological evidence from Poverty Point in Louisiana and Hopewell in Ohio to Cahokia in Illinois indicates that complex regional orders in ancient eastern North America arose as political-religious movements, probably based around prophets not unlike those known from historic accounts across North America. Such views hinge on understanding agency as a dispersed phenomenon and history as a physical experience. And they lead us to elevate singular events or encounters as historic phenomena that afford prophetic movements in the first place.

Reception -

5:00-6:00 PM ~ HSSB 2024

Faculty Host: Dr. Gregory Wilson

## EVENTS:

Monday, 12 May, 5 pm

### **Re-claiming the Ruins of "Japan's" Imperial Antiquity: Colonial Archaeological Surveys and Heritage Tourism in the Korean Peninsula (1900-1943)**

Hyung Il Pai, Depts. of History and of East Asian Languages & Cultures, UCSB  
McCune Conference Room, HSSB 6020  
Reception to follow

See attached flyer. Please distribute to other interested parties.

Also see announcement at:

<<http://www.ihc.ucsb.edu/research/archaeology.html>>

The lecture addresses the politics of Japanese tourism and how imperialistic and nationalistic cultural policies have influenced archaeological heritage management practices, preservations and ranking of monuments, and classifications of museum objects in East Asia.

Hyung Il Pai was born and raised in Seoul, South Korea. After graduating from Sogang University with a BA in history, she entered the Ph.D. program in Anthropology at Harvard University. Professor Pai has conducted research at the Seoul National Museum, participated in excavations by Seoul National University throughout the Korean peninsula and studied at East Asian archives at Tokyo University, the Toyo Bunko (Oriental Library) and the International Center for Japanese Studies. Her work focuses on how the politics of nationalism, colonialism and identity formation have affected the fields of archaeology, ethnography, and cultural heritage management in Korea and Japan.

The Archaeology Research Focus Group  
of the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, UCSB

- Two upcoming talks for the Senior Social Demography position that many of you will be interested to see:

Arland Thornton

Title: "**Developmental Idealism and Worldwide Family and Demographic Change**"

Time: 5/12/08 at 3:00 pm

Location: Ellison 2824

Mark Hayward

Title: "**Does the Body Forget? Life Course Influences on Adult Health and Mortality**"

Time: 5/27/08 at 3:00 pm

Location: Ellison 2824

- Each year the College of Letters and Science celebrates undergraduate research at UCSB by hosting a colloquium where students from all over campus showcase their research activities.

**This year's Undergraduate Research Colloquium is being held, Thursday, May 15, 11:30 to 2:00 p.m. in the Corwin Pavilion.**

This year's event is showcasing 129 poster presentations. We are excited to be able to provide the campus and local community with the opportunity to see firsthand the types of research and creative projects undertaken by UCSB undergraduates from all three colleges. Projects from all colleges, and disciplines - the arts, humanities, sciences, engineering, and social sciences - will be presented. We hope you can join us at this exciting event.

- **Speaking Truth to Power: Black Women in Post-Katrina New Orleans**

Date: Wednesday, May 14

Time: 2:00 pm

MultiCultural Center Lounge

For flyer: <[http://www.blackstudies.ucsb.edu/news/events\\_051408.html](http://www.blackstudies.ucsb.edu/news/events_051408.html)>

A talk by Shana Griffin, Interim Executive Director of the New Orleans Women's Health Clinic and Project Coordinator of the Sexual & Reproductive Health Advocacy Project. She is also co-founder of the New Orleans Women's Health & Justice Initiative. Ms. Griffin serves on the board of several organizations, including the national advisory collective of INCITE! Women of Color Against Violence, and Critical Resistance New Orleans, part of a national movement against the prison industrial complex. She will speak on post-Katrina New Orleans and the effort to build the New Orleans Women of Color Resource and Organizing Center.

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- **For Blacks Only?: Reconsidering Racialized Space in Post-Civil Rights Black Beauty Salon Culture**

Date: Monday, May 19

Time: 5 PM

Location: MultiCultural Center Theater

For Flyer: <[http://www.blackstudies.ucsb.edu/news/events\\_051908.html](http://www.blackstudies.ucsb.edu/news/events_051908.html)>

Ingrid Banks, Professor of Black Studies at UCSB will discuss her multi-city, fourteen-month ethnographic study that examines black beauty salon culture.

These events are part of Race, Place, and Power: a series of classes, forums, presentations, and discussions aimed at evaluating emerging concepts, theories, and policies about race and space.

Series coordinated by the Critical Issues Race, Place, and Power Advisory Board. Support provided by the Critical Issues in America endowment in the College of Letters & Science at UC Santa Barbara. Co-sponsored by the Gevirtz Graduate School of Education and the Black Studies Department.

**CONFERENCES AND CALL FOR PAPERS (details are posted under “Conference Papers and Symposia” in the Departmental Reading Room):**

- **The Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA)** is a multi-disciplinary associate of social scientists who are concerned with the definition and resolution of contemporary problems. The SfAA will convene its 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Santa Fe, NM on March 17-21, 2009. Abstracts are due October 15, 2008. See [www.sfaa.net](http://www.sfaa.net), click on annual meeting.

## **FIELD SCHOOLS & TRAINING INITIATIVES (details are posted under Grad and Field Schools in the Departmental Reading Room):**

- Please join us for a workshop on **Foundation Funding** sponsored by the Office of Research and the Institute for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Research (ISBER).

**Tuesday, May 20th**

**2-4 pm**

**Multicultural Center Theater**

Several UCSB faculty and staff will share their valuable experiences with private foundations and acquiring funding from these sources, including:

Aaron Belkin, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Michael D. Palm Center

Andrew Flanagin, Associate Professor of Communication

Steve Gaines, Professor of Ecology, Evolution & Marine Biology, Susan & Bruce Worster Acting Dean of Science, and Director of the Marine Science Institute

Janice Hartoch Taylor, Director of Foundation Relations, Office of Institutional Advancement

**Melvin Oliver**, Dean of Social Sciences, Professor of Sociology, and former Vice President of the Ford Foundation

The presentation will address the following topics:

- Tips for acquiring foundation funding
- Current funding climate--opportunities and constraints
- Methods for initiating contact and networking with foundations
- Coordination with UCSB's Office of Institutional Advancement

This event is being organized and hosted by Barbara Walker and Carla Whitacre of the Office of Research. If you would like to attend the workshop, please reply to Dr. Walker by Friday, May 16th ([blewalker@isber.ucsb.edu](mailto:blewalker@isber.ucsb.edu) or 893-3576) so we can plan adequately for workshop materials and refreshments.

We look forward to receiving your RSVP, and seeing you on the 20th.