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Events:

Michael Jochim (Anthropology, UCSB) The Long Transition:

Environmental and Economic Change in Pre-Agricultural Central Europe

Monday, March 13 at 5:00 PM

McCune Conference Room, 6020 HSSB

Reception to follow

- Attention: Staff, Faculty, and Student Parents

The UCSB Childcare Advisory Committee is offering the 3rd Annual UCSB Children's Day on Friday, April 7, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The purpose of the UCSB Children's Day is to introduce children, ages 5 to 14, to the campus community. As part of this introduction they will be exposed to the vital services that their parents provide in support of the University's mission, which may encourage future careers within higher education. The day's events, like so many other exceptional programs and events on campus, offer opportunities for staff and faculty to engage with children in interesting activities and to contribute to the benefit of others. Children's Day will open the doors to our workplaces and introduce our children to the innumerable choices that await them. The day's activities will stimulate learning, inquiry, and self-confidence and will expose the educational and work opportunities that exist here in our unique setting. Parents are encouraged to introduce their children into the work environment in the afternoon. A description of the day's activities, as well as the registration and consent forms, can be found at:

<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/children/default.html>

Hard copies of all consent forms (and copy of medical insurance card) **MUST** be sent to Sheryl Troy-Palladino, Co-Chair of Children's Day, at Family Student Housing (mail code 1050) by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2006. This free event will be on a first come, first served basis and is limited to 100 children. If you have any questions, please contact Sheryl Troy-Palladino at (805) 893-5462, e-mail: spalladino@housing.ucsb.edu or Wendy Nishikawa at (805)893-7323, e-mail: wendy.nishikawa@hr.ucsb.edu.

THANKS to Sarah Abraham and others who will be giving a tour of Dept of Anthropology for this event!

- The third annual Southern California Applied Anthropology Network (SCAAN) Student Outreach will be at Jean Gilbert's new digs. Come hear about the careers and current projects of a great group of applied anthropologists. Socialize, network, enjoy good conversation and good food!

Our panelists are Barbara Herr-Harthorn, Myla Collier, Lhee Vang, Jack Stuster, Betsy Holbrook and Steve Miller. All of them are doing unusual and interesting work in the not-for-profit and for-profit sectors. You'll have a chance to chat with them informally and with other practitioners and students after the presentations.

If you're interested and up to it, join in for a walk on Goleta Beach before the festivities. We'll meet at Jean's at 1 and walk from there. As always, there will be great food and drink. Jean is going to make two main courses. We need a few additional dishes. Can you bring something from this list? Please let us know.

Cornbread	Raw veggies
Green Salad	Cookies/Brownies
Bean Salad	
Chips and salsa	
Cheese and crackers	

Jean Gilbert's house:

5254 Calle Morelia, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

805-683-4661

The UCSB Division of Dance presents

LOOKING WITHIN THE IN

a collection of four new dances by BFA Senior Dance majors under the direction of UCSB faculty members Stephanie Nugent and Tonia Shimin. LOOKING WITHIN THE IN will be performed:

Friday March 10 at 8pm

Saturday March 11 at 8pm

Sunday March 12 at 2pm & 8pm

HSSB Ballet Studio Theatre

University of California, Santa Barbara

Tickets: General \$17, Students/Seniors \$13. For ticket information please call 893-3535.

Job Opportunities (details are posted under "Academic Positions" in the Departmental Reading Room):

- **Ph.D. candidates in cultural anthropology needed as researchers for a field study with native Amazonians, Bolivia (August 2006-December 2007).** Ph.D. candidates in cultural anthropology are needed as research associates for a 15 month longitudinal study on the influence of traditional medicinal knowledge on the health and nutrition of the Tsimane', a native Amazonian society in Bolivia. Candidates should come from a Ph.D. program in cultural anthropology from a USA university and should have a strong background in research methods and statistics. The ideal candidate should also have an interest in folk medicinal systems and health. Students will be responsible for administering quarterly surveys on health status, household economics, food consumption, resource use, and traditional medicinal knowledge. Additionally, students will be responsible for taking anthropometric measures and collecting blood and fecal samples. Students will be encouraged to pursue their own research plan and collect data for their dissertations with the support of the project. The project will cover round-trip international travel and domestic travel and living expenses while in the field.

Research will start during August 2006 and last 15 months, until December 2007. The principal and co-principal investigators of the study will train students in the key field methods during June-July of 2006 in Bolivia. The study is part of a long-term research project called TAPS (Tsimane' Amazonian Panel Study). For more information on the research site and the project visit <http://people.brandeis.edu/~rgodoy/>.

Interested students should send a complete CV and a letter of interest (including information on prior fieldwork experience, courses in quantitative methods, year of PhD, and name and contact of main advisor) to Victoria Reyes-García (vreyes@brandeis.edu) by April 15, 2006. Notifications will be sent by May 1st.

Conferences and Call for Papers (details are posted under "Conference Papers and Symposia" in the Departmental Reading Room):

- **6th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIVERSITY IN ORGANISATIONS, COMMUNITIES AND NATIONS**
New Orleans, USA, 12-15 June 2006
<http://www.Diversity-Conference.com>

The concerns of this conference - Human Rights, Diversity and Social Justice - loom larger than ever in the light of the events surrounding Hurricane Katrina. In addition to its usual global concern for the dynamics of diversity, the conference will include a specific focus on New Orleans, Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath.

We would particularly like to invite you to respond to the conference call for papers. Presenters may choose to submit written papers for consideration before or after the conference in the fully refereed International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations. If you are unable to attend the conference in person, virtual registrations are also available which allow you to submit a paper for refereeing and possible publication in the journal, and give you access to the electronic version of the journal, including all current and back volumes.

The deadline for the next round in the call for papers (a title and short abstract) is 31 March 2006. Proposals are reviewed within four weeks of submission. Full details of the conference, including an online call for papers form, are to be found at the symposium website - <http://www.Diversity-Conference.com>.

- **Racing Across Borders: National and Transnational Narratives**

An Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference

Saturday, May 13, 2006

Centennial House, UC Santa Barbara

Website: <http://acc.english.ucsb.edu/conference/grad2006/>

Keynote Speaker: Shelley Streeby, Associate Professor of American Literature, UC San Diego

Please submit 250-word individual abstracts or panel proposals (comprised of a 250-word abstract for the panel as a whole and titles for each paper) to accg-info@english.ucsb.edu by March 15, 2006. Paste your proposal into the body of the email message and include any technology requests. If submitting a work of art, please attach a low-resolution image of your piece, if possible, in addition to your abstract.

Email Subject: Abstract for Racing Across Borders

For more information about the American Cultures and Global Contexts Center, visit

<http://acc.english.ucsb.edu>

Deadline: March 15, 2006

- **CALL FOR PAPERS: "Latin@/Americans in a Global Context."**

University of California, Santa Cruz

May 12-13, 2006

This graduate student conference will explore the social, cultural, economic and political changes that connect Latin American and US Latina/o communities within the US and in Latin America.

Possible topics include but are not limited to:

Globalization of Culture/Culture(s) of Globalization/ Transnationalism / Gender formations in Global Contexts

Migration and Labor / Identity, Migration, Borders

Neoliberalism and Neo-Populism / _Third Wave_ Latin American Social Movements / Global Resistance Networks

Empire, the US military, and Latina/os / Hemispheric Dialogues and Transnational Feminism(s) / Interdisciplinarity, Area Studies, and the University

Please submit papers to global_latina_conf@yahoo.com

Deadline for submissions is April 1, 2006

Field Schools & Training Initiatives (details are posted under Grad and Field Schools in the Departmental Reading Room):

