

ANNOUNCEMENT/PRESS RELEASE

January 20, 2010

FIU's African & African Diaspora Studies organizes *The First African & African Diaspora Studies Annual Film Festival* in the Graham Center of the FIU Modesto Maidique Campus from February 11 to February 13, 2010.

•On February 11, from 4:00PM to 5:30PM, Opening Reception for the festival and for the Photo Exhibit by Noelle Théard, an MA student in AADS, at the Graham Center Art Gallery (across from the FIU bookstore).

For more information on the Photo Exhibit, please visit Africana.fiu.edu

•On Thursday February 11 and Friday February 12, in GC 140, from 5:30PM to 10:00PM, there will be one showing of the following seven films: *Jamaica for Sale, Tulia, Texas, HomeGrown: HipLife in Ghana, Katanga Business, Democracy in Dakar, and Bronx Princess.*

For more information on the schedule of showings, please visit Africana.fiu.edu

•On February 13, from 11:00AM to 10:00PM, in GC 140, there will be a second showing of all festival films with the addition of *Say my Name.*

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•On February 13, from 4:20PM to 5:35PM, in GC 140, a roundtable entitled "The growing presence of China in Sub-Saharan Africa" with *Katanga Business* film director Thierry Michel, Dr. John Clark of the Department of Politics & International Relations, Dr. Alex Lichtenstein of the Department of History and AADS Graduate Program Director, and Dr. Jean Muteba Rahier, AADS Director.

FIU's African & African Diaspora Studies Program (AADS) is organizing these two events starting on February 1, 2010 to celebrate Africa & the African Diaspora's struggles and triumphs through film and photography. While the Film Festival will take place from February 11 to February 13, 2010 in the Graham Center, GC 140, the Photo Exhibit will be open for visits from February 1 to February 28, 2010 in the Graham Center Art Gallery (across from the FIU bookstore).

These events are co-sponsored by AADS Graduate Student Association, African Student Union, Black Student Union, Department of Campus Life (MMC), Council for Student Organizations, FIU Libraries, Special Collections Department, Student Programming Council, and the Graham Center Art Gallery.