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UCT events and interview opportunities

- **Professor Alison Lewis: Winner of the Department of Science and Technology's Award for Distinguished Woman Researcher: Research and Innovation** – Professor Alison Lewis, the first woman to hold the position of Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment at the University of Cape Town, has been announced the winner of the Distinguished Woman Researcher: Research and Innovation Award as part of the Department of Science and Technology's SA Women in Science Awards 2016. Lewis's academic achievements include the supervision to graduation of 109 BSc honours, 35 MSc and six PhD students, as well as the mentoring of eight postdoctoral fellows. Her commitment to transformation and empowerment is demonstrated by the fact that, of the students that she has supervised, 67% have been black and 37% women (in a field that is extremely male dominated).
- **Stella Clark Teachers Award Ceremony at UCT** – UCT's Centre for Higher Education Development will be hosting the Stella Clark Teachers Award ceremony this week. The Stella Clark Teachers Award acknowledges the work of exceptionally talented teachers – the unsung heroes who go beyond the call of duty to motivate and inspire their learners to perform well and rise above their poverty-stricken circumstances. The Award was established in honour of Stella Clark, an extraordinary University of Cape Town lecturer from the Centre of Higher Education Development's (CHED) Academic Development Program. At the beginning of each academic year, CHED invites students to nominate high school teachers who they believe helped make it possible for them to pursue their dream of accessing tertiary education, particularly the University of Cape Town. The University aims to highlight skilled teaching practices and at the awards' ceremony recipients are given the opportunity to share with the public the reasons for their success in the classroom. For more information on this event and the Stella Clark Teachers Award, [click here](#).
- **Great Texts/Big Questions: Grace A. Musila** – As part of the Great Texts/Big Questions lecture series, the Institute for Creative Arts (ICA, formerly GIPCA) presents Stellenbosch University academic, Grace A. Musila. Musila will present *A Death Retold in Truth and Rumour: Kenya, Britain and the Julie Ward Murder*. Julie Ward was a 28-year old British tourist who travelled to Kenya in 1988. After a few months in Nairobi, she drove to the Maasai Mara Game Reserve to photograph the annual wildebeest migration from the Serengeti National Park into Maasai Mara. On 6

September 1988, she was reported missing and six days later, her partly burnt remains were found in the game reserve.

Based on Musila's book of the same title, this lecture explores readings of and inscriptions on Julie Ward's life and death as important windows into British and Kenyan imaginaries on a wide range of issues including race relations in postcolonial Africa, perceptions of female sexual moralities, the workings of state power and transnational capital, among other issues. For more information on this event, [click here](#).

- **African Centre for Cities: CityLab Symposium** – The African Centre for Cities' CityLab programme facilitates the co-production of policy-relevant knowledge to reduce urban poverty through the engagement of researchers, government officials and civil society. Started in 2008, the CityLab programme created a platform for interaction between practitioners and researchers and has generated a wide range of different kinds of knowledge on Cape Town. The CityLab programme also became a core component of Mistra Urban Futures, a network of institutions involved in the co-production of urban knowledge in five cities around the world.

In this symposium, the African Centre for Cities reflects on the Sustainable Human Settlements CityLab, the Urban Violence, Safety and Inclusion CityLab, the Healthy Cities CityLab and the Public Culture CityLab. The co-ordinators of the CityLabs, Dr Warren Smit, Dr Mercy Brown-Luthango, Dr Rike Sitas and Liza Cirolia, will present key findings from the CityLab process. For more information on the CityLabs programme, [click here](#).

- **Seminar: Knowledge Futures and the Twenty First Century University** – The Institute for Creative Arts (ICA, formerly GIPCA), the Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WiSER), and the University of California Humanities Research Institute (UCHRI) present a public seminar entitled, *Knowledge Futures and the Twenty First Century University*. The Seminar will focus on the contemporary challenges to the university from two interrelated sets of forces: from technological innovations, political contestations, epistemological challenges and new knowledge assemblages; and from the increasing incapacity of traditional knowledge institutions to respond effectively to new learning environments and publics. The seminar will feature presentations by, amongst others, Wits Research Professor Achille Mbembe and Director of WiSER, Sarah Nuttall. For more information on this event and its speakers, [click here](#).
- **Lunch time talk with Ndidi Okonkwo Nwuneli** – UCT's Graduate School of Business is hosting a lunchtime talk with the Director of Leap Africa and social entrepreneur, Ndidi Okonkwo Nwuneli where she will talk about her book titled *Social Innovation in Africa*, and will touch on her Africa-wide research conducted for the book. Encouraged by the emergence and early impact of social innovators on the African continent, but frustrated by the slow pace of large scale change, Nwuneli's book is for those tackling Africa's serious social problems. For more information on this event and Nwuneli's book, [click here](#).

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| Stella Clark Teachers Award Ceremony at UCT | Date: 15 August 2016 Time: 12h45 Venue: Lecture Theatre 2, Level 4, Hoerikwaggo Building, UCT Upper Campus, Cape Town | Name: Azwi Mufamadi Email: azwi.mufamadi@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216505427 |
| Great Texts/Big Questions: Grace A. Musila | Date: 16 August 2016 Time: 17h00 for 17h30 Venue: Anatomy Lecture Theatre, UCT Hiddingh Campus, 31 Orange Street, Cape Town | Name: Azwi Mufamadi Email: azwi.mufamadi@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216505427 |
| African Centre for Cities: CityLab Symposium | Date: 18 August 2016 Time: 10h00-13h00 Venue: The Environmental and Geographical Sciences Building, Upper Campus at UCT | Name: Jessica Loizides Email: jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216505671 |
| Seminar: Knowledge Futures and the Twenty First Century University | Date: 18 August 2016 Time: 09h45-17h00 Venue: Hiddingh Hall, UCT Hiddingh Campus, 31 Orange Street, Cape Town | Name: Sino Mdunjeni Email: sino.mdunjeni@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216504976 |
| Lunch time talk with Ndid Okonkwo Nwuneli | Date: 18 August 2016 Time: 13h00-14h00 Venue: MTN Solution Space, Learning Lab, UCT Graduate School of Business, Cape Town | Name: Inshaaf Ahmed Email: inshaaf@rothko.co.za Tel: 021 448 9465 |

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