The UCSB Center for Black Studies Research presents

The 10th Annual

HAITI FLAG WEEK

May 16–20, 2017

TUESDAY, MAY 16
Film Screening: Liberty in a Soup with filmmaker Dudley Alexis
12:30 p.m., MultiCultural Center Theatre
Conversations with the filmmaker over soup
2–3 p.m., Center for Black Studies Research
4603 South Hall

In celebration of their nation’s independence on January 1, 1804, Haitian families gather together every year to make and serve joumou soup. The documentary Liberty in a Soup follows two Haitian families and a chef to see how they prepare the soup and celebrate to keep this tradition alive. It also contextualizes this custom within the history of the Haitian Revolution.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17
“In the Hands of the People: Flags, Banners, and the Art of Empowerment”
Patrick Polk, Curator, UCLA Fowler Museum
4:00 p.m., MultiCultural Center Lounge

This lecture explores the creation and use of folk or vernacular banners as creative modes of expressing identity, contesting authority, and demonstrating solidarity within the context of the African Diaspora. Dr. Polk will also comment on the exhibit “Faces of Spirits in Haitian Vodou Flags,” which is currently on display at the MCC lounge. This talk is the 2017 Shirley Kennedy Memorial Lecture.

THURSDAY, MAY 18
“Diaspora and Transnationalism in the Era of Trump”
Panel discussion with François Pierre-Louis
12:30 p.m., MultiCultural Center Theatre

Visiting research fellow Dr. François Pierre-Louis, professor of political science at Queens College, will discuss the impact of Trump’s immigration policy on immigrants who practice transnationalism and are connected to their homeland through hometown associations. The talk will be followed by a panel discussion with doctoral students Amanda Pinheiro De Oliveira (Global Studies) and Jamella Nefetari Gow (Sociology).

SATURDAY, MAY 20
Culture Night in Los Angeles
Featuring kompa singer Alan Cavé
6:00 p.m., Edward Mansion, 2064 Orange Tree Ln,
Redlands, CA 92374

Every year Sak Pase California and the Haitian community of Southern California celebrate Haitian Flag Day by hosting a culture night that features Haitian artists and honors individuals and organizations engaged in social justice work in Haiti. Co-sponsored by the UCSB Center for Black Studies Research. For more information, visit Flagday2017@eventbrite.com.

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