

College of Education & Integrative Studies Presents

AFROFUTURISM & C³W SHOWCASE

PROGRAM



AUGUST 9, 2024
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

URSA MAJOR, BRONCO STUDENT CENTER
CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA

AGENDA

10:00 - 11:00 AM

NETWORKING HOUR
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OPENING: DEAN JENELLE S. PITT-PARKER
KEYNOTE: DR. JONATHAN GRADY

11:00 - 11:30 AM

PRESENTATION:
DR. MARISOL DIAZ, C3W (FACULTY FELLOW)

11:30 - 12:00 PM

C3W SCHOLAR LIGHTNING TALKS

12:00 - 12:10 PM

BREAK

12:10 - 12:40 PM

PRESENTATION:
DR. MICHELLE DEJOHNETTE, AFROFUTURISM
(FACULTY FELLOW)

12:40 - 1:10 PM

AFROFUTURISM SCHOLAR LIGHTNING TALKS

1:10 - 1:15 PM

QUICK TALK: DR. HYERYUNG HWANG AND
DR. LIANE HYPOLITE

1:15 - 2:15 PM

LUNCH

2:15 - 2:45 PM

POSTER VIEWS AND CONVERSATIONS

2:45 - 3:00 PM

CLOSING: DEAN JENELLE S. PITT-PARKER

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND HONOR THE TONGVA PEOPLES, THE ORIGINAL AND RIGHTFUL CARETAKERS OF THE LAND THAT CAL POLY POMONA SITS UPON. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE TRIBAL CONNECTIONS TO THE LANDS WHERE EACH OF US RESIDE. WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND HONOR THE FORCED, UNPAID LABOR OF AFRICAN HUMAN BEINGS WHO WERE ENSLAVED TO BUILD THE FOUNDATIONS OF THIS NATION UPON THIS LAND. WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND HONOR THE OFTEN UNRECOGNIZED LABORS OF PEOPLE OF COLOR WHO DESPITE HAVING BEEN INTERNED, CAGED, CAPTURED, AND KILLED- HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROSPERITY AND POWER THAT EXISTS IN THE UNITED STATES TODAY. WE COMMIT TO JUSTICE BY HONORING OUR PAST TO CHANGE OUR COLLECTIVE FUTURE.

MESSAGE FROM DEAN JENELLE S. PITT-PARKER



"THE CEIS AFROFUTURISM AND CEIS COMMUNITY CARE AND WELLNESS (C3W) AWARDS WERE ESTABLISHED TO CELEBRATE THE INNOVATIVE SPIRIT AND DEDICATION OF STUDENTS AND FACULTY WHO ARE SHAPING A MORE EQUITABLE AND JUST FUTURE THROUGH THE LENS OF BLACK CULTURE AND HOLISTIC WELLBEING. THESE AWARDS RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THOSE WHO ARE MAKING A PROFOUND IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND."

"INVESTING IN THE CEIS AFROFUTURISM AND CEIS C3W INITIATIVES IS NOT AN EXPENDITURE, BUT INSTEAD A STRATEGIC INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE. BY SUPPORTING STUDENTS AND FACULTY IN EXPLORING THESE CRITICAL AREAS, WE ARE FOSTERING INNOVATION, COMMUNITY RESILIENCE, ADDRESSING SYSTEMIC INEQUITIES, AND DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS ACROSS DISCIPLINES. YOUR SUPPORT WILL DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTE TO GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH, IMPACTFUL COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF TALENTED SCHOLARS WHO WILL SHAPE OUR WORLD FOR THE BETTER."

KEYNOTE

DR. JONATHAN GRADY



AS A TRANSFORMATIVE LEADER, CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED AUTHOR, SPOKEN WORD ARTIST, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATOR, DR. JONATHAN R. GRADY IS DEEPLY COMMITTED TO CREATING A JUSTICE-CENTERED AND ANTI-RACIST CULTURE AT CAL POLY POMONA (CPP). AS A BLACK, QUEER, MALE, AND FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE GRADUATE, GROWING UP IN CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DR. GRADY EXPERIENCED FLAGRANT FORMS OF OPPRESSION. HOWEVER, EDUCATION WAS A LIFE-CHANGING AND TRANSFORMATIONAL FORCE THAT HELPED HIM USE KNOWLEDGE, LOVE, AND THE DISSEMINATION OF TRUTH AS A WAY TO INFORM CHANGE AND CULTIVATE HOPE.

SERVING AS THE SENIOR ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR EQUITY & BELONGING AT CPP, DR. GRADY, HAS A PROVEN TRACK RECORD OF DRIVING SYSTEMIC CHANGE AND BUILDING AND SUSTAINING COLLABORATIVE AND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS. AS A RESULT, GROUNDING HIS LEADERSHIP IN LOVE, HONOR, MINDFULNESS, AND JOY, DR. GRADY HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO ENSURING THAT EVERYONE RECOGNIZES THEIR INNER-STRENGTH, BRILLIANCE, AND MAGIC.

DR. GRADY REMINDS ALL OF US THAT "WE ARE UNBREAKABLE; EQUIPPED WITH THE ARMOR NEEDED TO SURVIVE, DISRUPT, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, THRIVE" AND ENCOURAGES ALL TO "WRITE THEIR OWN DARING ENDING, BE BOLD, AND NAVIGATE THIS EARTH UNAPOLOGETICALLY EACH DAY KNOWING WE HAVE A RIGHT TO BE HERE."



COMMUNITY CARE & WELLNESS



LYFEN CLARKE
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
MAJOR: EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES



PRISCILLA TERRIQUEZ GARCIA
DOCTORAL STUDENT
MAJOR: ED LEADERSHIP



SERENA MANJUR
GRADUATED SPRING 2024,
MASTERS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION



CHAITANYA GANPAT NALAGE
MASTERS STUDENT
MAJOR: COMPUTER SCIENCE



ALOYSIUS G. REHARTA
MASTERS STUDENT
MAJOR: BUSINESS ANALYTICS



MELBA YARBROUGH
RECEIVED CREDENTIAL IN SPRING
2024 IN SPANISH



DR. MARISOL DIAZ
FACULTY FELLOW
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES



DR. HYERYUNG HWANG
FACULTY MENTOR
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
INTERDISCIPLINARY
GENERAL EDUCATION (IGE)

AFROFUTURISM



JONATHAN T. ALFORD
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
MAJOR: MATHEMATICS



STEPHEN RICKEY L. BONDS
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
MAJOR: LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



LEO CARTER
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
MAJOR: HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT



FAHEEM GULZAR
MASTERS STUDENT
MAJOR: MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



DEVONEIA L. JORDAN
DOCTORAL STUDENT
MAJOR: ED LEADERSHIP



DR. KAREN D. HARRIS TYRRELL
GRADUATED SPRING 2024
DOCTORATE IN ED LEADERSHIP



DR. MICHELLE DEJOHNETTE
(FACULTY FELLOW)
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES



DR. LIANE HYPOLITE
(FACULTY MENTOR)
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
ED LEADERSHIP

THANK YOU!!!

WE ARE SO APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR SUPPORT
AND COMING TO LEARN ABOUT OUR PROJECTS.

- DEAN'S INITIATIVE SCHOLARS



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR
SCHOLARSHIPS - SCAN THIS CODE :)

