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Imagining Florida: The Place We Call Home 2016 Spring Humanities Series Presents *Africa in Florida*

The Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere warmly invites UF faculty, staff, and students to its annual spring series *Imagining Florida: The Place We Call Home*. Reflecting the Center's 2015-16 focus on publics, this year's series explores the public work of the humanities, within and beyond the academy. Co-curated with community partners across Gainesville, it asks how the humanities infuse our everyday lives and especially, our experiences of "home" in Florida.

Imagining Florida features five lectures and discussions, each showcasing different humanistic disciplines. Running between January and April 2016, all events are free and encourage public participation. The series' next event is *Africa in Florida*, which will explore how art and ritual shape Floridian identities. The event features UF's Prof. Emeritus Robin Poyner (Art + Art History) and Adjunct Associate Prof. Patricia Hilliard-Nunn (African American Studies). The event will take place on Wednesday, February 24, at 3:30pm, at Santa Fe College's Lawrence W. Tyree

Library.

For details on this event and the rest of the series, please visit

<http://www.humanities.ufl.edu/calendar-2016-Spring-Speaker-Series.html> or find *Imagining Florida* on Facebook.

Submitted by Jordana Cox, Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere

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Clinical Translational Aging Research Seminar - Dr. Sarah Johnson

"Stimulus discrimination as an index of cognitive aging across species" presented by Dr. [Sarah A. Johnson](#), Postdoctoral Associate at the McKnight Brain Institute and the Department of Neuroscience

Monday, February 22, 2016

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Room 2161 - Clinical Translational Research Building (CTRB)

Lunch will be provided

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this presentation, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss evidence that stimulus discrimination performance is an index of early cognitive decline in aging
2. Compare methods used to assess stimulus discrimination across visual and spatial modalities
3. Appraise potential relationship between discrimination ability and physical performance in aged individuals.

Submitted by Lea-An Steiner, College of Medicine

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KGI Pathways to the Life Science Industry Webinars

Don't miss these unique opportunities to learn about the careers in the life sciences industry that leverage your unique scientific training and place you on a trajectory to leadership.

March 16, 12:00 - 12:00 p.m.-1:00pm EST (9am-10am PST)

Careers in the Life Science Industry

*Steve Casper, Ph.D., Dean of the School of Applied Life Sciences
Keck Graduate Institute, Claremont, CA*

Register Now: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/546303719542196226>

April 6, 12:00 - 12:00 p.m.-1:00pm EST (9am-10am PST)

Professional Development for Scientists: Tacit Knowledge and Current Events

*James Sterling, Ph.D., Director of the Postdoctoral Professional Master's Program
Keck Graduate Institute, Claremont, CA*

Register Now: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2121804926099112962>

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4th Annual Postdoc Research Symposium – April 13, 2016

April 13, 2016 – Emerson Alumni Hall

Deadline for Abstract Submission: Monday, February 29, 2016

Deadline for Participant Registration: Tuesday, March 15, 2016

[Click HERE to register!](#)

The goal of the University of Florida Postdoctoral Research Symposium is to promote the research of UF postdocs and to provide avenues for continued professional development as set outlined by the National Postdoctoral Association (NPA). [Communication Skills](#) and [Professionalism](#) are two of the six [Core Competencies](#) the [NPA](#) (National Postdoctoral Association) promotes as critical to postdoc success. Postdocs in both oral and poster presentations will be judged on how well they can convey their research to an educated lay audience.

Oral Presentation first place winner receives \$200. Oral Presentation second place winner receives \$100. The four winners for poster presentations - from four separate judging groups receive \$75 each.

UF Postdocs are invited to submit abstracts and elect either poster presentation or oral presentation. The top six abstract submissions will be selected by the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) advisory committee for oral presentation. Oral presenters will be notified by March 15th of their selection. Those not selected for an oral presentation will be invited to participate in the poster session. Judging of both oral and poster presentation will take place the day of the event. Oral presenters are expected to prepare a 10 minute PowerPoint presentation with 5 additional minutes for questions. Posters presenters will be notified of board sizing prior to the event.

To submit your abstract and be considered for judging, please complete the *abstract submission form* (enter GatorLink User Name and Password when prompted) by *February 29, 2016*. The schedule for the event is included below. The OPA and the OPA advisory committee look forward to your presentations and thank you in advance for your participation!

Schedule:

- 1:30-2:00 p.m.: Check in and registration. Continental breakfast.
- 2:00 p.m.: Welcome
- 2:15-3:45 p.m.: Oral Presentations and Judging (10 minute presentation with 5 minutes for questions)
- 3:45-4:00 p.m.: Break
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Keynote Address by Dr. Janice Krieger
- 5:00-6:30 p.m.: Posters, drinks and social
- 6:30-7:00 p.m.: Awards Presentations

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Postdoc Funding Opportunities

On the [Resources](#) page of the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs website, we have created a Funding Opportunities page which lists all the different types of funding

available to postdocs.

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Postdoc HR Issues:

Insurance and Benefits: If you have questions about benefits enrollment or eligibility, please contact UF's [Human Resource Services'](#) Benefits Office at benefits@ufl.edu or (352) 392-2477.

Employee Issues: If you are experiencing an issue with your supervisor that is not resolved in your department and need assistance or guidance, please contact Ms. Kim Baxley, Director of Employee Relations, in UF's [Human Resource Services](#). Ms. Baxley can be reached at 392-1072 or kczap@ufl.edu.

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Reminder: University of Florida Postdocs on Facebook and LinkedIn

Join this [Facebook group](#) for University of Florida postdocs as well as the LinkedIn group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Gainesville-Postdocs-4479251?trk=myg_ugrp_ovr%20

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Reminder: FREE Affiliate NPA Membership

If you would like to receive an invitation to join the National Postdoctoral Association or if your invitation has expired and you need to be sent a refreshed invitation, please [contact Cheryl Gater](#) to receive an invitation.

[More information.](#)

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Reminder: Postdoc Info Listserv

Want to receive e-mail prompts prior to postdoc events like the [Postdoc Development Workshops](#) and other postdoc events?

A listserv has been created for postdocs to receive reminders for upcoming postdoc events. Please e-mail Cheryl Gater (cgater@aa.ufl.edu) and tell me you wish to subscribe to the "postdoc info listserv."

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