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**Saturday, October 8th**

**Throughout the Day:**

Poster Presentation  
LuAnn R. Gaskill (Virginia Tech),  
“An Ethnographic Approach to Scholarship in  
African Tribal Dress and Adornment Practices”

6pm: Dinner at **Fast & French** (at your own expense)  
98 Broad Street

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**Street Addresses:**

Robert Scott Small building – 175 Calhoun Street  
Education Center – 25 St. Philip Street

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## Friday, October 7th

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**6:00pm:** Film screening of *Tunisian Women: We Will Stand Up*

-at Education Center Room 118 (25 St. Phillip St.)

**8:30pm:** Dessert and drinks at Simon Lewis and Janet Watts's house,

-at 50 Dunnemann Avenue, Charleston, SC 29403

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**8:00-8:30am:** Registration, breakfast, and coffee  
-at Robert Scott Small 249, College of Charleston campus

**8:30-10:15am: SESSION ONE** at Robert Scott Small 250

SMOTHER AND BURY EVERY VOICE AND SONG

Chair: Philip Cantrell

Benjamin Hart Fishkin (Tuskegee University),  
"The Illusion of Democracy in the African Educational System?"

Bill. F. Ndi (Tuskegee University),  
"A Nose for Money and the Advocacy for Ushering Democracy in"

Adaku T. Ankumah (Tuskegee University),  
"You Can't Keep a Good Woman Down': Democracy and Women  
in Thomas Jing's *The Tale of an African Woman*"

Richard Evans (Tuskegee University),  
"Academic Freedom as Political Freedom: Bill F. Ndi's *Gods in the Ivory Towers*"

Ivon Alcime (Tuskegee University),  
"The Positioning of Journalists, Writers, Activists, and Scholars  
in the Discourse in Africa"

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**10:30am-11:10pm: SESSION TWO** at Robert Scott Small 250  
Chair: Chris Day

Stephen M. Magu (Hampton University),  
"A Future Of Our Own: Indigenous Studies  
and Africa's Past Democratic Tradition"

**11:20am-12pm: SESSION THREE** at Robert Scott Small 250

Scott Brunger ( Maryville College),  
"An African in Greenland": Active Learning Lesson

**12:15-1:15pm: Keynote Presentation by Laura Bier (Georgia Tech),**  
"Embodied Democracy: Gender Based Violence, Activism and Egyptian  
Women since the 2011 Revolution"

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**1:15-2:15pm:** Lunch, and SERSAS Business Meeting  
-at Robert Scott Small 249

**2:15-3:15pm: SESSION FOUR** Robert Scott Small 250  
Chair: Simon Lewis

Robert Dibie (Indiana University Kokomo) &  
Christina K. Dimitriou (State University of New York at Plattsburgh),  
"Evaluation of Sustainable Environmental Initiatives  
in Hotels in Southern Nigeria"

Cathy Skidmore-Hess (Georgia Southern), "Bicycling through Soweto: a  
Consideration of the Development of Tourism in Post-Apartheid South Africa"

**3:15-3:45pm:** Coffee Break at RSS 249

**3:45-4:45pm: SESSION FIVE** Robert Scott Small 250  
Chair: Ken Wilburn

Aran S. MacKinnon (Georgia College), "Congresswoman Frances Payne Bolton  
and the Trip to Africa, 1955: A Preliminary Exploration"

Tim Carmichael (College of Charleston), "Internal Repression and International  
Sophistry: Democracy in Ethiopia 1991-Present"