



## SERSAS

"America in Africa, Africa in America: Ties that Bind or Blind"



"On set at 'Five Fingers for Marseilles', an original South African Western"  
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Fall 2017 Conference  
October 20-21  
Auburn University and Tuskegee University

## **Friday October 20**

**2:00-3:00pm**

Opening Keynote Address

Derek Peterson, "Popular Pan-Africanism in Idi Amin's Uganda"  
Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts and Humanities  
Pebble Hill, 101 Debardeleben, Auburn University, Alabama

**3:00-3:30pm**

Refreshments

**3:30-4:00pm**

Travel to Tuskegee

(Park at Kenney Hall, Tuskegee University Bio-ethics Center)

**4:00pm**

Welcome Reception at Tuskegee Campus with Dean Prakash

**4:15pm**

Introduction to the Tuskegee Archives by Dana Chandler

**4:45pm**

Tour of Legacy Museum with curator Dr. Jontyle Robinson

**5:30pm**

Finger Food Dinner Offered By Tuskegee University College of Arts and Sciences

## **Saturday October 21**

**9:00-9:15am**

Registration and Opening Remarks  
Auburn's Ralph Brown Draughon (RBD) Library, Room 0019

**9:15-10:30am**

**Concurrent Sessions**

PANEL 1: FINDING (LEAVING) HOME AND SEEING SELF: POEMS AND LIFE WRITINGS FROM CONGO TO COSTA RICA, AUBURN TO ETHIOPIA, TUSKEGEE TO TENNESSEE [LIBR 0019]

- Zanice Bond                    “Hidden in Plain Sight”: A Travel Blogger Experiences the African Diaspora in Siquierres, Costa Rica, Central America
- Marilyn Pryce Hoytt        An African-American in Ethiopia; an Ethiopian in America: Dual Experiences in Self-Identity
- Kerry Baharanyi            Journey from Democratic Republic of Congo to Sweet Home Alabama in Poems

Chair: Zanice Bond

Discussant: Sam Ruddick

PANEL 2: LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT [LIBR 1106]

- Thomas Turner                Remembering Tshibumba, Remembering Lumumba: Congolese "Popular Art" in the Cold War Years
- Irene Safi Turner            Leadership and Influence on the Dynamics of the Congo Conflict
- Robert Dibie                 Analysis of the Paralysis of Government Leadership in Sub-Sahara Africa

Chair: Robert Dibie

Discussant: Chris Day

**10:30-11:15**

**Concurrent Sessions**

PANEL 3: SUPPORTING BLACK ATHLETES [LIBR 0019]

- Kimberly Outlaw & Mary S. Jackson            The Role of HBCUs and African Universities in Maintaining the Integrity of Collegiate Male Athletes and Ensuring Their Success Off the Field as well as On the Field
- Samuel Beauregard, Kimberly Outlaw & Mary S. Jackson    Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders: The Challenges Experienced by Collegiate Athletes

Chair: Mary Jackson

Discussant: Rhonda Collier

PANEL 4: PAN-AFRICANISM AND BLACK LIBERATION IN THE AFRICAN DIASPORA [LIBR 1106]

- Godfrey Vincent             “It Was Nationalism:” African Decolonization, Malcolm X, and the Rise of Black Power in the U.S.
- John R. Tilghman            1900 Pan African Congress and the Discourse for Black Liberation

Chair: Godfrey Vincent

Discussant: Ken Wilburn

**11:15-11:30am**

**Break**

**11:30am – 12:30pm**

**Joint Session**

PANEL 5: TUSKEGEE IN SOUTH AFRICA: THE HBCU STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCE  
IN SOUTH AFRICA [LIBR 0019]

Rhonda Collier            Increasing US Minority Participation in Study Abroad

Jasmine Johnson        Youth Empowerment Organizations in South Africa

Courtney Peavey        NGOs and the Idea of “Poverty to Opportunity” in the U.S. and South Africa

Chair: Rhonda Collier

Discussant: Adrienne Duke

**12:30-1:30 pm**

**Catered Lunch [LIBR 1106]**

**(SERSAS Business Meeting, 12:45-1:15)**

**1:30-2:45 pm**

**Concurrent Sessions**

PANEL 6: PAN-AFRICANISMS, PAST AND PRESENT [LIBR 0019]

Elliot James            Queer Pan-Africanism

Zac Peterson            The Defiance Campaign: How an NGO, the American Committee on Africa,  
Defied United States policy in Africa During the Cold War

Rebecca Shumway      Embracing Black Identity in the Atlantic World:  
The United States and the Gold Coast in the 19th Century

Chair: Rebecca Shumway

Discussant: Adaku T. Ankumah

PANEL 7: AFRICAN-AFRICAN AMERICAN DIALOGUES [LIBR 1106]

Stephen M. Magu        Inter-Group Dynamics and Attitudes of African/s/Americans:  
Can We All Get Along?

Bamba Ndiaye           Black Livingston’s Social Reforms in the Congo or the Effectiveness of  
African American Evangelism and Racial Solidarity in Africa

Chair: Stephen Magu

Discussant: Bill F. Ndi

**2:45-3:00 pm**

**Break**

**3:00-4:15 pm**

**Concurrent Sessions**

PANEL 8: AFRICAN STATE-BUILDING [LIBR 0019]

George Kieh                      The Repatriated Africans from the United States and State-building in Liberia

Andrew V. Bonanno &      Family Farms, Family Land: National Land Policy,  
Anya M. Bonanno              Customary Tenure Arrangements, and Change in Northern Sierra Leone

Daren Ray                      Coastal Autonomy and East African Federation  
in Kenya's Constitutional Debates at Independence

Chair: George Kieh

Discussant: Zack Guthrie

PANEL 9: ECONOMICS ISSUES IN AFRICA AND THE AFRICAN DIASPORA [LIBR 1106]

Chioma Obi                      Globalization, Labor Migration and Transnational Remittances between US-Based  
Nigerians and Nigeria: Implications for National Development

Robert Dibie                      Business and Government Relations in Africa

Lisa Bratton                      Developing a Stronger African-African American Collective Economic Consciousness

Chair: Lisa Bratton

Discussant: Richard Evans

**4:15-5:15**

**Joint Session**

PANEL 10: EDUCATING THE HAND, THE HEAD AND THE HEART:

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON'S EXPERIMENT FROM TUSKEGEE TO AFRICA [LIBR 0019]

Benjamin Hart Fishkin              Booker T. Washington's Education of the Hand, the Head and  
the Heart Reflected in British Southern Cameroon Literature

Richard Evans                      Booker T. Washington and Classical Studies at Tuskegee  
Institute and the University of Malawi

Adaku T. Ankumah                      John L. Dube, The Booker T. Washington of South Africa

Bill F. Ndi                      Booker T Washington and the French Speaking Africa  
Educational Experience

Chair: Bill Ndi

Discussant: Aran MacKinnon

**5:15-5:30pm**

**Concluding Remarks**

**7:00**

**Closing Dinner at home of Bill Ndi in Tuskegee**

**608 Alexander St, Tuskegee, AL 36083**

## Auburn Venues

### Keynote Address @ Pebble Hill (Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Humanities) 101 S. Debardeleben Street

From Atlanta/I-85 S; From Montgomery/I-85 N

1. Take exit 57 for Bent Creek Road, Auburn
2. Turn right onto Bent Creek Road
3. Turn left onto E. Glenn Ave.
4. In 3 miles, turn left onto N. Debardeleben Street
5. In 0.2 miles, Pebble Hill will be on the left

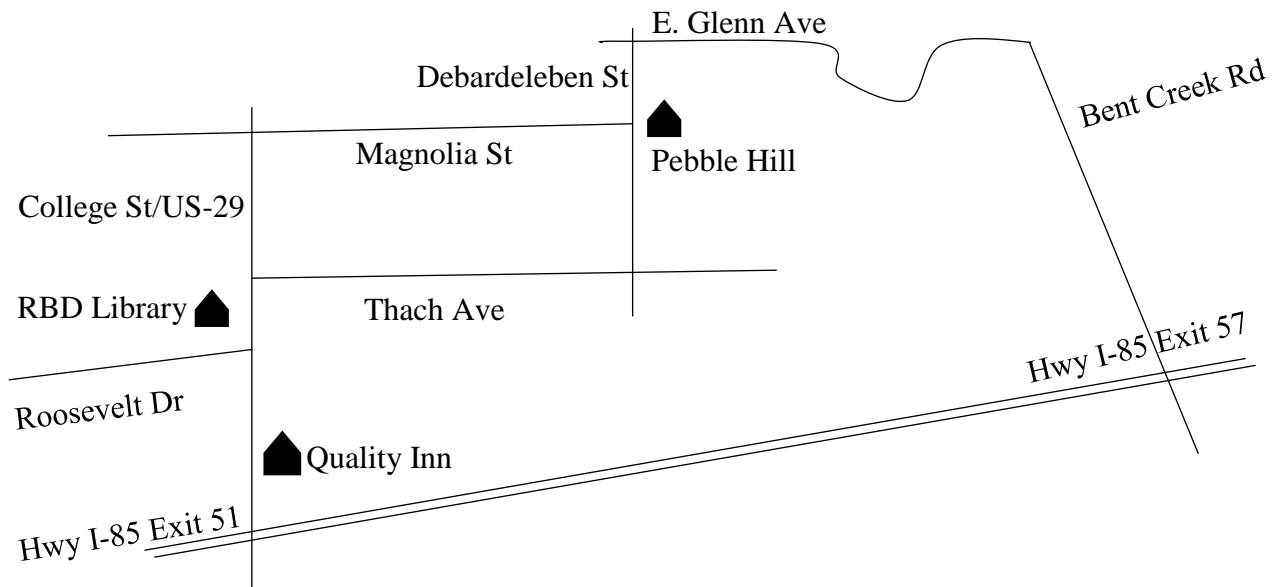
From Montgomery/I-85 N

1. Take exit 51 for US-29 N toward Auburn
2. Turn left onto S. College Street/AL-15 N/US-29 N
3. In 3.9 miles, turn right onto E. Magnolia Ave.
4. In 0.5 miles, E. Magnolia Ave. will dead-end at Debardeleben Street

### Conferences Sessions @ Ralph Brown Draughon Library

**231 Mell St, Auburn, AL 36849** (Parking garage is of College St. south of library on Roosevelt)

1. Take exit 51 for US-29 N toward Auburn
2. Turn north onto S. College Street/AL-15 N/US-29 N
3. Turn left on Roosevelt Rd for the parking garage.



## Tuskegee Venues

### Tuskegee Tour and Reception

**1 Benjamin Payton Dr., Tuskegee AL 36088**

From Auburn University

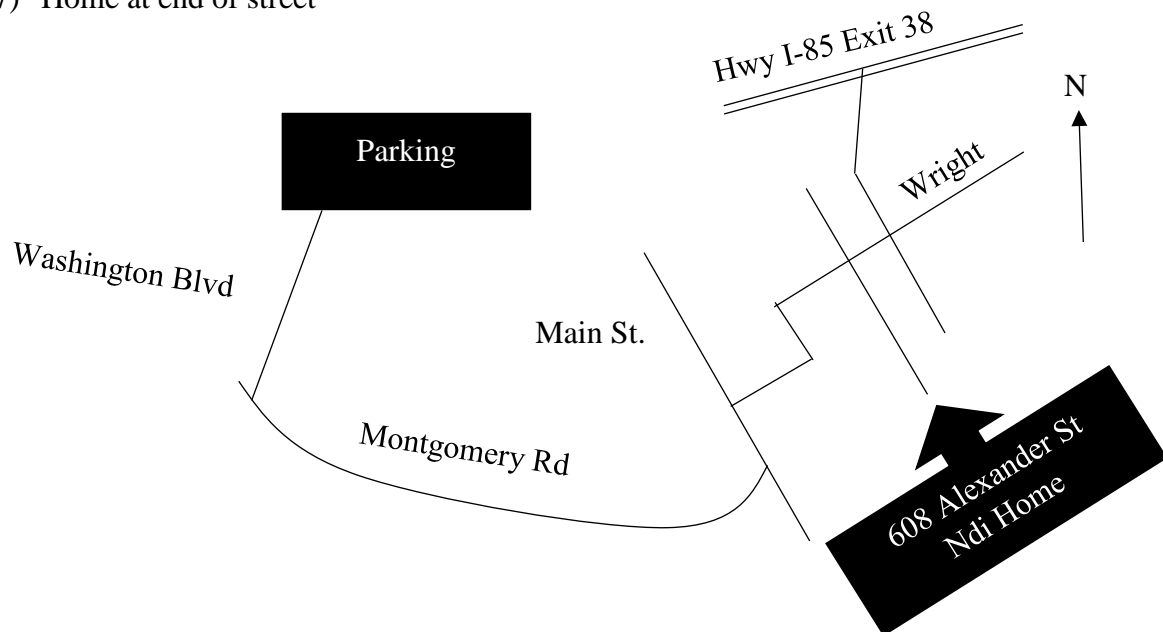
- 1) South on College Street to Highway I-85
- 2) West on Highway I-85 to exit 38
- 3) South on Notasulga Rd (AL Hwy 89)
- 4) Veer left as Notasulga Rd becomes Crawford Street
- 5) Right on Wright St, it will bend twice.
- 6) Left on Main St
- 7) Right on Montgomery Rd
- 8) Right on Washington Blvd. Parking at end of street

### Dinner @ Home of Bill Ndi

**608 Alexander St, Tuskegee, AL 36083**

From Auburn University

- 1) South on College Street to Highway I-85
- 2) West on Highway I-85 to exit 38
- 3) South on Notasulga Rd (AL Hwy 89)
- 4) Veer left as Notasulga Rd becomes Crawford Street
- 5) Right on Wright St
- 6) Left on Alexander St
- 7) Home at end of street



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