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***Africana Peoples and Africana Studies on
National and International Stages from the
1920s to the Present***

**Virtual Conference
February 9 – 10, 2023
9 am – 4 pm Central Standard Time**

SCAASI 2023 Virtual Conference

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PRESIDENT'S GREETING AND WELCOME

**WELCOME TO THE 44TH ANNUAL CONVENING OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN
AMERICAN STUDIES, INC. WE HOPE THAT YOU ENJOY THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AND THE
CELEBRATION OF CULTURE AND HERITAGE. IT IS OUR HONOR TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF OUR
FOUNDERS THIS YEAR, FOR WITHOUT THEM, DR. HOWARD JONES, MRS. JOYCE JONES AND DR.
MERLINE PITRE, SCAASI WOULD STILL BE AN IDEA.
OUR ROOTS ARE DEEP. OUR LEGACY IS RICH. OUR COMMITMENT IS UNWAVERING.
DR. SHARRON HERRON-WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT**

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FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Greetings

9:00 am – 9:15 am CST

Sharron Herron-Williams, President, SCAASI

Ronald Goodwin, Local Arrangements Chair (PVAMU)

Dorie Gilbert, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences (PVAMU)

Session I

9:20 am – 10:10 am CST

Roundtable Discussion: “Work, Family, and Survival: African American working-class women in the rural and urban south, 1930s-2000s”

Moderator:

Sonya Ramsey

Discussants:

Deidre Hill Butler

Bernadette Pruitt

Merline Pitre

Session II

10:15 am – 10:55 am CST

The Role of African Americans in the American Consciousness

Moderator:

Bequita Pegram

Presenters:

Abel Bartley

“Clemson Football: Race and the 1981 National College Football Championship”

Sonya Ramsey

“Dr. Bertha Maxwell-Roddey: A Modern-Day Race Woman and the Power of Black Leadership”

Bequita Pegram

“Revisualizing Black America”

Session III

11:00 am – 11:40 am CST

Keynote Address

Introduction of Speaker:

Bernadette Pruitt

Keynote Speaker:

Merline Pitre

Professor and Dean, Texas Southern University (Ret.)

Recognition:

11:45 am – 11:50 am CST

Abel Bartley, Immediate Past President, SCAASI

Dr. Howard Jones and Mrs. Joyce Jones

Professor, Prairie View A&M University, (Ret.)

Lunch Break

11:55 am – 1:00 pm CST

Session IV

1:00 pm – 1:40 pm CST

Roundtable Discussion: “Institutional Memory: Where We Been, Where We Goin”

Moderator:

Ronald E. Goodwin

Discussants:

Jeanelle Hope

“The development of new Black Studies at Prairie View A&M University”

Asha Mahamud and Javari Henderson

“Excavating Alta Vista Plantation: Exploring Archival and Digital Methods”

Session V

1:45 – 2:25 pm CST

Harlem's Legacy in the Development of Black Consciousness

Moderator:

Ronald Dorris

Presenters:

Jerry Persaud

“West Indians in the Harlem Renaissance”

Ronald Dorris

“The Evolution of Harlem as African/African American Metropolis”

Session VI

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm CST

Elder's Address

George Garrison

SCAASI Business Meeting

3:05 pm – 4:00 pm CST

- Meeting Opening – Sharron Herron-Williams
- Secretary's Report – Alecia Hoffman
- Treasurer's Report – Bertis English
- Constitution and Bylaw Updates – Eunice Matthews Armstead
- Griot Report – Tashia Bradley
- President's Report – Sharron Herron-Williams
- Other Business
- Day 1 Closing Remarks (Abel Bartley)

FEBRUARY 10, 2023

Day 2 Welcome **9:00 am – 9:05 am CST**
Sharron Herron-Williams, President, SCAASI

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: **9:05 am – 9:35 am CST**
Bertis English, Treasurer, SCAASI

Keynote Address:
Amilcar Shabazz
Professor and Chair, W.E.B. DuBois Department of Afro-American Studies
UMass, Amherst

Session VII **9:40 am – 10:15 am CST**
The Challenge of Blackness in the Classroom

Moderator:
Eunice Matthews-Armstead

Presenters:
Carol Taylor-Johnson,
“Confrontational Encounters: Finding Voices and Strategies in the Classroom”

Ousseynou B. Traore,
“From The Griot to The Literary Griot: The Scholarly Infrastructure of African-World Studies”

Eunice Matthews-Armstead,
“Could the integration of a social emotional learning curriculum into a First-Year experience course in higher education have a positive impact on student retention among Black and Latino students?”

SESSION VIII **10:20 AM – 11:15 AM CST**
Reimagining Revolutionaries

Moderator:

James T. Jones III

Presenters:

tonya thames-taylor,

“Shirley Graham DuBois, Theatre, and Communism Activism, 1928-1977”

W. Denae Powell-Muhammad Murphy,

“And Come Forward They Did – Garveyite Women’s Commitment to Community”

James T. Jones III,

“‘Stokely Carmichael vs. MLK’: The Rise of Black Power and The Hijacking of a Movement in Mississippi.”

DAY 2 CLOSING REMARKS

11:20 AM CST

Wali Kharif, Board Member

Sharron Herron-Williams, President, SCAASI

SCAASI 2024 Conference Announcement

Dr. Merline Pitre



Dr. Howard Jones



Mrs. Joyce Jones

