



Anthropology Southern Africa Annual Conference 2018

University of Botswana, Sociology Department

26th – 29th September 2018

Call for papers and panel proposals

Conference Theme - Movement, mobility, transformation

The year 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Nelson Mandela, whose name is synonymous with struggle and freedom, the 200th Anniversary of the birth of Karl Marx whose name is equated with the analysis of economic change and the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War best perhaps remembered for the failure to prevent future and ongoing conflicts. All of these anniversaries are linked to specific historical events and numerous macro level processes of social and cultural change.

At a more micro level, the social systems, structures and lived realities which Anthropologists study are constantly in a state of flux. Change and movement are ever present in the constant ebb and flow of daily life, in areas as diverse as human migration, rites of passage, livelihoods, strategies to cope with social inequalities, power relations, issues of governance, technology, science, art and culture. In our theme for this year's annual conference, we focus on the variety of ways in which daily life is imbued with dynamic movement and endless processes of transformation and change. It is through these processes that the individual and community shape and are shaped by the world around them on a daily basis.

We welcome papers from within any area of Anthropology that address social and cultural change from a theoretical and/or ethnographic perspective. We are particularly interested in papers which focus on change, movement and transformation in the following areas: social mobility; social status; gender; politics and power; human migration; religious movements; environmental change; the new technologies; health and well-being; arts and culture.

Please send proposals for panels to the organisers by **April 7th** and individual paper abstracts by **April 30th 2018**. The organisers are particularly interested in receiving panel proposals. Panel proposals and individual paper abstracts should be no more than 300 words. For panel proposals, please include a list of prospective participants and their institutional affiliations if these have already been identified.

Please forward all proposals and abstracts to the organisers at:

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Should you have any queries about the conference theme or call for papers please contact us on the above email address.