

# Re-Educating the African in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The John Henrik Clarke-C.L.R. James African World Research Institute will host the First World Conference July 19-25, 2006 in Aswan, Egypt to review and discuss the implications of the United Nations' Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006).

The conference will organize a slate of the foremost African-descended scholars, thinkers, artists and activists to lead the conversation about what this UN Decade has meant for Africa and the African Diaspora. Participating delegates from Africa, Asia, England, Europe, the Americas, the Pacific and the Caribbean will have opportunity to exchange information about the implications of this UN Decade in the 21st century for the re-education of people of African descent globally. The featured speakers include: Dr. Asa Hilliard, III (Georgia State University; founding member and first vice president of Association for the Study of Classical African Civilizations; Dr. Andrée-Nicola McLaughlin (founding coordinator of the International Cross-Cultural Black Women's Studies Institute), Dr. Abdulalim Shabazz (Lincoln University), Dr. Lily Golden (founding director of the Alexander Pushkin Foundation), Dr. Ernie Smith (Ebonics expert; Drew University of Medicine and Science), Dr. Marta Vega (founding director of the Caribbean Cultural Center); Dr. Oba T'Shaka (author and professor of Black Studies at San Francisco State University); Dr. Vimbai Chivaura (founder/member and chair of the Theatre Arts Department at Zimbabwe University) and selected panelists. Activities include general assembly presentations, plenary sessions, workshops, explorations of partnerships with organizations in Africa and the African Diaspora, international cultural events featuring Deadprez, P.O.W., Nubian performers, and more.

The conference aim to attract both academics and practitioners with presentations focused on the conference theme: Re-Educating the African in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. The topics include the following: economic development in relationship to the family, health, culture, politics, religion, gender, intergenerational relationships, science, and global technological strategies to connect and maintain the global African family. It is our intention for the presentations to be informative and set the tone for interesting research and consulting opportunities.

Submissions to the Call for Papers can be made in the following categories: completed research papers, research-in-progress papers, panels and posters, and round table discussion papers. Please follow the guidelines in preparing your submission (completed research papers should be typically be 5,000 words excluding abstract and references; research-in-progress papers should typically be 2,500 words excluding abstract and references; posters and round table discussion should typically be a 1,000-word synopsis of the topic area to be presented; panel proposal should typically be a 1,000-word description, identifying the panelist to be involved; documentary (Film/video) should

typically be a 500-word description with a 20-30 minute DVD format, and spoken Word Artist panels/performance should typically be 4-5 versatile performance pieces on preferably DVD format

In preparing your papers, please use the APA referencing style. In text citation should be in an Author (date) format with the bibliographical list inserted at the end of the paper.

Submission and review process will be handled electronically. Please make your submission as one MS Word file. Include all figures and tables in relevant places in the text. The title page should indicate the title, author affiliations including, telephone number, fax and email. In case of multiple authors, corresponding author details should be clearly identified. The title page should also identify the track for which you wish your paper to be considered. All submissions will be double blind peer reviewed.

The deadline for submission of papers has been extended to *February 15, 2006*. The new selection notification date is March 15, 2006 (email address: [sankofawp@netscape.net](mailto:sankofawp@netscape.net) and [firstwc2006@netscape.net](mailto:firstwc2006@netscape.net) ). Mailing address: Dr. Clinton Crawford, John Henrik Clarke-C.L.R. James African World Research Institute P.O. Box 473592 Brooklyn, New York 11247, Phone numbers: 718-756-8904 and 718-270-5140.

Following the July 19-25, 2006 conference, Dr. Crawford will host a 14-day Egypt Study Tour which begins at Abu Simbel that includes a 4-day 5 star luxury cruise up the Nile, visits to historical sites as per itinerary, museums, Nubian villages, shopping and more.