



Call for Proposals

IGGAD 2020

Without Borders

Tracing the Cultural, Archival and Political African Diaspora

Conference: March 4-7, 2020

Location: Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC

Deadline: October 31

The Charles W. Joyner Institute for Gullah and African Diaspora Studies and the Athenaeum Press at Coastal Carolina University invite abstracts, poster sessions, lightning talks and panel proposals for their second International Gullah Geechee and African Diaspora Conference (IGGAD). This year's theme—**Without Borders: Tracing the Cultural, Archival and Political African Diaspora**—focuses on the political, technological and cultural encodings and decodings of the African Diaspora in archives, public interpretation, performance and community organizing. We encourage submissions that present new works, projects, analysis and critiques of public interpretations and performances, as well as research in areas such as Afrofuturism, gender studies, Pan-Africanism, theories of race and politics, and Gullah Geechee cultures as well as other topics within the heritage and culture of the global African diaspora. Of special importance is our conference's emphasis on the community-based participatory model, which recognizes the importance of cultural practitioners and community participation to the success of the conference. To this end, the last day of our conference is a public-facing community day that will be held in the historic City of Conway, South Carolina, near the Myrtle Beach and Georgetown areas. This day will combine workshops, performances and film screenings with project presentations and short lectures. Submitters should indicate interest in giving a public-facing presentation on their initiative or project when submitting their proposals.

The Joyner Institute and Athenaeum Press are also forming a peer-reviewed research journal. Research presented at the conference may be selected for publication in the inaugural issue (to be launched in 2021).

To accommodate our international participants and funding deadlines, we will have a rolling notification of decisions for acceptance. Our call has been extended to **October 31**, with a deadline for notification by November 15.

Submit Your Proposals at: coastal.edu/joynerinstitute/conference/callforpapers

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