



JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION 2017

June 1-3

Detroit

Wayne State University

Theme:

**“Water, Sounds, and Justice on the Ground:
Intersecting Lives and Social Transformation”**

REDUCED REGISTRATION COST BEFORE **April 21, 2017.**

Conference Organizer

Justin Smith, Central Michigan University

Conference Program Committee

Maria De La Torre, Northeastern Illinois University

Kayla Martensen, University of Illinois-Chicago

Sponsor:

Sustainability Scholars Forum – Wayne State University

Ronald Simpson-Bey

Keynote Speaker



Ronald D. Simpson-Bey is a formerly incarcerated leader working as the Alumni Associate for [JustLeadershipUSA](#) and is a 2015 Leading with Conviction Fellow with JLUSA. As a decarceration leader committed to cutting the national prison population in half by 2030, Ronald is steering team member of the Michigan Collaborative to End Mass Incarceration (MI-CEMI) and Nation Outside organizations for returning citizens. Ronald comes to this work from many dimensions. He served 27-years in the Michigan prison system as an engaged,

thoughtful, and creative leader, founding many enrichment programs rooted in transformation, redemption, and self-accountability. Ronald was a jailhouse lawyer who litigated the reversal of his conviction and got himself out of prison. He attended Eastern Michigan University, Mott Community College, and Jackson Community College. He has worked as a staff paralegal at the former Prison Legal Services of Michigan.

Ronald is on Twitter @BeySimpson, and can be reached at ronald@justleadershipusa.org

Monica Jahner

Chomsky Award



Monica Jahner served twenty-eight years in a Michigan state prison. While incarcerated, she founded Kids Need Moms, a program to promote quality visits between children and their mothers. Monica earned a paralegal certificate, Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice, and a Bachelor's Degree in Behavioral Science. Upon her release from prison, she joined the staff of ARRO, a grassroots reentry program working to eliminate barriers facing released clients. Monica realized that changing Legislation in the Criminal Justice system was key to getting "Smart on Crime" and worked to change laws on food stamp issues, Juvenile Life Without Parole (JWOP), Veto changes for Lifers, Raise the Age, and creating Specialty Courts. In 2009 Monica was elected to the Ingham County Community Corrections Advisory Board, where she has created a diversion day reporting run by those closest to the problem. Monica has further created a collaboration with Michigan State University (MSU) Human Resources called Spartan Fair Chance. Monica was awarded an advocacy grant from Self Development of

People Ministry (SDOP) which she used to found the Fair Chance Coalition to Ban the Box. She also serves on the Prison Correction Section of the State Bar, and Citizens for Prison Public Spending (CAPPS). In 2015 Monica became a cohort with Just Leadership USA (JLUSA). After the death of her brother she took over his comic store and created a nonprofit organization to mentor high-risk youth called Creating Heroes Stephan's Way, the first comic store where all the profits go to the youth.

Monica is on Twitter @moninwlansing moninwlansing@gmail.com

Prison Creative Arts Project

Art Exhibit



PCAP' s traveling exhibition includes reproductions of artwork from 20 years of our Annual Exhibition of Art by Michigan Prisoners. This unique collection will be on display throughout the conference.



Conference locations

Conference sessions will be held at the Community Room (3rd Floor)

Adamany Undergraduate Library

5150 Anthony Wayne, Detroit, MI 48202

<https://library.wayne.edu/library/undergraduate>

Friday Dinner & Keynote Discussion will be held at McGregor Conference Center:

<http://mcgregor.wayne.edu/>

Residence Hall Lodging

Yousif Ghafari Hall

695 Williams Mall

Detroit, MI 48202

(313) 577-9700

Meals

Continental breakfast & lunch will be catered into the Community Room area where the conference space will be held.

Note: All presenters must register for the conference

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

8:30am – Registration, Breakfast & Welcoming

9:00-10:00am

Panel # 1 WATER & NATURE

Putting Plants into Prison: Incarcerating Mother Nature

Jeff London, Metropolitan State University of Denver

Karey James, Community College of Denver

"Michigan Water Rights Before Flint: Confronting Corporate-State Collusion with Gandhi's Thought"

Nehal A. Patel, University of Michigan – Dearborn

Reflections on Water: From Flint to Standing Rock, Water Is Life

Randall Amster, Georgetown University

10:15-11:45am

Panel # 2 STATE & CORPORATE CRIME (Chair: Jeff London)

State Adaptations to Climate Change: Just and Progressive or Militaristic and Criminal?

Casey James Schotter and Ronald C. Kramer, Western Michigan University

State and Corporate Crime: Lessons Learned from Royal Dutch Oil Crisis in Nigeria

Vincent Manzie, Michigan Technological University.

Uranium Monopsony: A State-Corporate Crime Case Study

Amanda Kahl Smith and Bartholomew Lauzon, University of Michigan- Flint

Would you like Antibiotic Resistance with that? Ignorance Production as State-Corporate Crime

Traci Joseph, Western Michigan University

Wrongful Conviction as State Crime: Obstacles to Compensation and the Further Miscarriage of Justice

Jennifer N. Grimes, Indiana State University

12-1:30pm Lunch & Chomsky Award Presentation (in Community Room)

1:45-2:45 pm

Panel # 3 LOCALIZED EFFORTS AT JUSTICE REFORM IN MICHIGAN (Chair: Justin Smith)

Restorative Justice in Prison and Community Settings in Detroit

Paul Draus, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Julie Roddy, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Derrick Franke, Michigan State University

Cathy Collins, Michigan Department of Corrections

Improving School Climate and Safety in Flint

Derrick Franke, Michigan State University

Alternatives to Violent Force in Local Police Departments

Juliette Roddy and Paul Draus, University of Michigan-Dearborn

3:00-4:30 pm

Panel # 4 JUSTICE ALTERNATIVES (Chair: Dan Okada)

Engaging with the Other: An Exploratory Assessment Inside-Out Student Engagement

Judith A Ryder and Maria Buitrago Cohoon, St. John's University

Crime Suppression Through Partnerships and Crime Fighting Initiatives

James Bowers, Saginaw Valley State University

The New Wasteland: Prisons, Private Property and People

Tiffany R. Simmons and Elena Franco, American University Washington College of Law

Mandatory K-12 Economics Education Promotes Sustainable Outcomes

Madhavi Venkatesan, Bridgewater State University

Looking at Female-Perpetrated Intimate Partner Violence from the Constitutive Criminological Approach

Desiré Anastasia-Cartwright, Metropolitan State University of Denver

4:45-6pm

“Here's to Flint”

Film Screening & Discussion with filmmaker. **Kate Levy** is a documentary filmmaker, artist and media activist. Levy's work has been featured on Democracy Now: The War and Peace Report and CNN. In 2015 she worked with investigative journalist Curt Guyette and the ACLU of Michigan to bring light to the Flint Water Crisis. For her work she won the 2016 Michigan Coalition for Human Rights Media Activist Award.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

8:15am – Continental breakfast

8:30-9:45 am

Panel # 5 ON SOCIAL JUSTICE (Chair: Kayla Martensen)

Political Flip-flop: Implication of Current Federal Powers on Race and the Disenfranchised
T.Y. Okosun, Northeastern Illinois University

Teaching with Trump: Restorative Justice Practices in a Race, Ethnicity and Criminal Justice Class
Brandi Vigil, University of Illinois at Chicago

Teaching Prison Abolition to Future Prison Guards
Kayla Martensen, University of Illinois at Chicago

Narrating Resistance for Social Justice
Maria De La Torre, Northeastern Illinois University

10-11:15am

Panel # 6 COMPLEXITIES OF CRIME CONTROL & INCARCERATION (Chair: Rebecca Maniglia)

Acknowledging and Addressing Reentry Issues Faced by Individuals and Their Families
Kenneth J. Litwin, University of Michigan-Flint
Glen E. Griffin University of Michigan-Flint
Jerome E. Milton, Flint Community Member
Leon El-Alamin, M.A.D.E. Institute

Telling the Story of Mass Incarceration
Rebecca Maniglia, Northern Arizona University

The Frenzy of the Mass Incarceration of African American and Latina Women in the United States and its Impact on the Family
Ashlei Ross, Luz Colin and T.Y. Okosun, Northeastern Illinois University

Drugs and Violence
Lana Harrison, University of Delaware

11:15-12:15 LUNCH / Contemporary Justice Review Information Session

12:15- 1:30p

Panel # 7 ANARCHY IN DETROIT ROUNDTABLE: REDEFINING CRIME AND JUSTICE,
AGAIN: AN ANARCHIST PERSPECTIVE

Panelists:

Randall Amster, Georgetown University
Liz Bradshaw, Central Michigan University
Jackie Doyon-Martin, Grand Valley State University
Hal Pepinsky, Indiana University
Steve Simms, Bridgewater State University

1:45-3:00 pm

Panel # 8 RESPONSIBILITY & CRIME (Chair: Liz Bradshaw)

Resolving the Paradox of Holding People Responsible
Hal Pepinsky, Indiana University

Who is Responsible to Do What for Whom?
Terry Beitzel, James Madison University

Teen Sexting and the Opportunity for Progressive Justice
W. Jesse Weins, Dakota Wesleyan University

The Natural Environment of Crime: Satirizing Broken Windows Theory in Grand Theft Auto V
Timothy Rowlands, Sheruni Ratnabalasuriar, Melissa Hobart, Briana Reed, Shaun-Patrick Allen,
Saginaw Valley State University

3:15-4:30 pm

Panel # 9 JUSTICE AND INJUSTICE IN THE CITY (Chair: Maria De La Torre)

Wahkohtowin (“Kinship”): Learning Together about Justice and Injustice in the City

Panelists:

Priscilla Settee, University of Saskatchewan

Stan Tu’Inukuafe, Social Worker, Oskayak High School

Nancy Van Styvendale, University of Saskatchewan

4:45-6 pm

Panel # 10 ENFORCEMENT (Chair: Robert Grantham)

Attorneys Who Sue Police/Police Departments: A Sociological Inquiry

Levon Chorbajian, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Robert Grantham, Bridgewater State University

Evaluation of Mediation Work in Police Organizations

Zahra Abedinezhadmehrabadi, Semnan University, Iran

The Punishment Marketplace: Local immigration enforcement as entrepreneurship

Daniel L. Stageman, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Routine Activities and Criminal Victimization: The Significance of Gendered Spaces

Denny Savard, Saginaw Valley State University

6:30- 8:30pm – KEYNOTE DINNER McGregor Conference Center

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

9:00- 10:15am

Panel # 11 **LIFE ON THE INSIDE OF PRISON: PERSONAL NARRATIVES & POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Facilitator: Charles Bell, Wayne State University

Panel Members:

Thomas Hamilton, Returning Citizen & Entrepreneur
Nicholas Buckingham, Returning Citizen & Prison Reform Activist
James Holmes, Returning Citizen & Cease Fire Agent
Bill Cobbs, Michigan 2018 Gubernatorial Candidate

10:30-11:15am

Panel #12 **GOOD NEIGHBOR PROJECT: LETTERS, LIVES AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE**

Panel members:

Demetrius Titus, Program Coordinator, American Friends Service Committee
Heather Mooney, program participant
Victor Wheeler, program participant
Aurelio Dorris, returning citizen

11:30-1pm

Panel #13 **FOOD & WATER RIGHTS**

Addressing Food Culture & Inequality: Contrasting Examples

Mitra Das, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Food and Environmental Justice and Dismantling the School to Prison Pipeline: Imprisoning and Poisoning Youth

Anthony J. Nocella II, Fort Lewis College

Food (In)security on College Campuses

The College and University Pantry Research Team:

Teia McGahey, Asma Al-Khshali, Monica De Roche Brubaker and Samyka Aloyo, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Water Rights & Art as Resistance

Shanna Merola is an artist and activist legal worker with the National Lawyers Guild Detroit. In her presentation Merola will discuss her work with local water rights groups - from the fight to provide clean drinking water to inmates in Flint, to the ongoing struggle for clean and affordable water in Detroit.

1- 2:30pm JSA BOARD MEETING/ LUNCH (in Community Room)

All are welcomed and *encouraged* to attend.

Transportation from Detroit Wayne Airport:

First suggestion is Skoot (\$20 from Detroit Airport to Wayne State Univ).

Information at: <https://www.rideskoot.com/chooserride.php>

Detroit's QLINE Streetcar

Wow, what timing. The long-awaited streetcar will begin service May 12.

QLINE will connect the Midtown area (Wayne State University is located) with the downtown area. See m-1rail.com/

The QLINE will operate from
6 a.m. – 11 p.m. Monday – Thursday,
6 a.m. – midnight on Friday,
8 a.m. – midnight on Saturday
8 a.m. – 8 p.m. on Sunday.

Alternate lodging:

Inn on Ferry Street

84 E Ferry St, Detroit, MI 48202

Hotel St. Regis

3071 W Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48202

There are also a number of hotels downtown Detroit.

WiFi

WSU-Public is a Wi-Fi network designed for Wayne State guests and visitors and is available across campus. To connect to WSU-Public:

- In the wireless internet options of your computer or mobile device, select SSID (network name) WSU-Public. Launch a web browser. The WSU-Public login should appear automatically. If not, enter a URL, to see the WSU-Public login page.
- Review the terms of use and click login. Click take me to the internet and you are connected.

Note: The network is available to the public, but use is subject to certain restrictions. Wireless internet access is available throughout the building at no additional charge

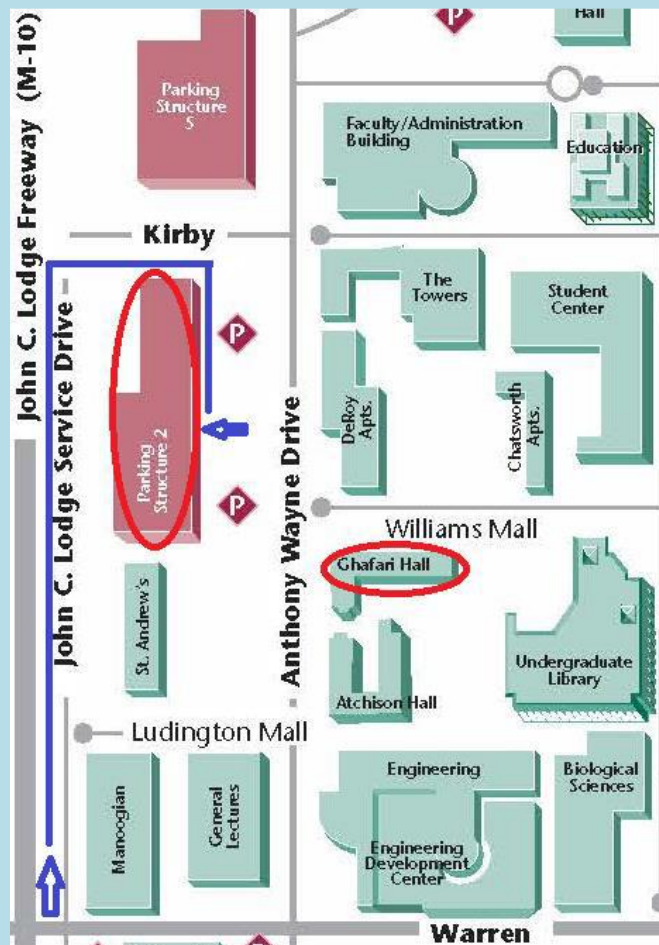
PARKING

If you are staying overnight, you must park in Parking Structure #2. This structure is open 24/7 including holidays. Check in at Ghafari Hall first to get your parking access card if it was pre-ordered for you.

How to Enter PS#2

- Parking Structure #2: 5150 Lodge Service Drive at Kirby St & Anthony Wayne Dr
- PS#2 can be accessed by entering through Gate 2 or 4.
- From Warren Ave., turn north onto the John C. Lodge Service Drive.
- Pass Manoogian Hall and PS#2 on the right.
- Follow the curved street staying to the right. PS#5 will be on the left.
- Turn right onto the service drive between PS#2 and flat lot 41.
- Swipe the access card through the reader labelled WSU Assigned card swipe.
- To exit, swipe the access card again.

For guests NOT staying at the residence halls and who only need daily parking, an entry fee is payable at the gate (credit card only). Daily Parking = \$7.50/day.



Places around Detroit to see:

Detroit Institute of Arts

<http://www.dia.org/>

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History

<https://thewright.org/>

Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit

<https://moca-detroit.org/>

The Heidelberg Project

<http://www.heidelberg.org/>

Arab American National Museum

<http://www.arabamericanmuseum.org/Events.id.10.htm>

Hart Plaza

<http://detroitriverfront.org/riverfront/east-riverfront/hart-plaza>

Belle Isle Conservancy

<https://www.belleisleconservancy.org/>

Motown Museum

<http://www.motownmuseum.org/>

Mexicantown

<https://www.mexicantown.com/>

And many others.....

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