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JOB OPPORTUNITY IN UCB ANTHROPOLOGY DEPT.

University of California, Berkeley, Department of Anthropology seeks a Full Professor or Associate Professor in Socio-Cultural Anthropology with a distinguished record of scholarship, an innovative research program and an international reputation. Geographic and topical specializations open. Candidates must be willing to serve a term as Departmental Chair. Some administrative experience desirable. Submit a letter of interest and current C.V. by December 15, 1998 to Chair, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720. The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Position in Mexican Studies: University of Notre Dame is seeking candidates with outstanding scholarly and teaching records who have made major contributions to understanding Mexico. They are open to candidates at any level, from Assistant Professor (tenure-track) to Endowed Chair and from any of the social sciences or history. Appointment will be made in conjunction with the department of Anthropology, Economics, Government, History or Sociology and will have special funding. In addition, the position will involve participation in the intellectual life of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies at Notre Dame, a well-endowed interdisciplinary institute with particular expertise in Latin America. Notre Dame is an AA/EO employer. Deadline for applications is November 1, 1998. Please send a C.V., two writing samples, teaching evaluations and three letters of recommendation to: Mexican Studies Search Committee, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556-5677.

LAURA NADER AND AIHWA ONG INVITED TO SPEAK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FRIBOURG, SWITZERLAND

The President of the Scientific Commission of the Swiss Ethnological Association has invited Professor Aihwa Ong and Professor Laura Nader to talk at the conference "Individual and Collective Rights: Perspectives from Anthropology of Law Approaching the 21st Century," at the University of Fribourg, October 15-17, 1998. Professor Ong will be speaking on "Graduated Sovereignty in an Era of Globalization" and Professor Nader will be speaking on "Idealization and Power—Legality and Tradition Among Native Americans."

PATRICK KIRCH AWARDED TWO NEW RESEARCH GRANTS

Professor Patrick Kirch received notice of two new research grants over the summer. The National Science Foundation has awarded him \$132,000 for a two-year continuation of his research project in Kahikinui, Maui, which is focused on the late prehistoric and early historic transformation of the complex Hawaiian chiefdoms, and the Wenner-Gren Foundation has awarded him \$15,000 to initiate a new project on Household Archaeology in the Society Islands.

He also received notice that he and Michael Sahlins were the 1998 recipients of the School of American Research's J.I. Staley prize for \$7,500 for their two-volume publication, *Anahulu: The Anthropology of History in the Kingdom of Hawaii*.

Professor Kirch spent several weeks in August working with a team of two UC Berkeley grad students (James Coil and Jenny Kahn) and two Berkeley undergrad Anthropology majors (Stephanie Pau and Devon White) in Kahikinui, Maui. The objective of this field season was to complete the intensive survey initiated in 1994, and to excavate a series of stratigraphic trenches in sites believed to have been ancient cultivation areas. Samples taken from these trenches will be analyzed for charcoal, phytoliths, and micromorphology by James Coil as part of his dissertation research.

MARIANE FERME ORGANIZES CONFERENCE AND SERVES AS PROFESSOR IN RESIDENCE IN PARIS

Professor Mariane Ferme has caught up *The Jawbone* on what she's been doing these past few months. In February, Professor Ferme organized the international conference on Imperialism and Identity: Remapping the Cultural Politics of Representation. She also sponsored the month-long visit here of Professor Jean-Loup Amselle, a French anthropologist. Amselle was the first anthropologist to have been invited to Berkeley under the exchange program between the university and the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, in Paris. In May and June, Professor Ferme was invited to lecture in Paris as a Maître de conférences invité, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales. During her stay as a professor in residence there, she gave two public seminars in French: *Culture politique et modernité en Sierra Leone* and *Créoles, indigènes, et politiques indentitaires en Sierra Leone sous la colonisation*.

During the summer, Professor Ferme also completed revisions on two articles, one on normal versus exceptional forms of violence, and one of the aesthetics of secrecy, which will be published respectively in *Cahiers d'Etudes Africaines* and in the *American Anthropologist* in the coming months.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 1-31, 1998

- Sunday** Panel Discussion
October 4 *What Makes a Good Pot?*
Rosemary Joyce, moderator
2:00 p.m., Rm. 160, Kroeber
- Monday** Faculty Meeting
October 5 3:00 p.m. Gifford Room
- Wednesday** Archaeology Brown Bag series
October 7 Richard Pearson, Univ. of British Columbia
Quanzhou, Fujian: The Archaeology of a Great Port and its Trade, AD 1000-1500
Noon, Rm. 101, 2251 College
- Monday** 290 Seminar
October 12 Dr. Diane Nelson
Lewis & Clark College
Phantom Limbs and Invisible Hands: the Mujer Maya as Prosthetic in Quincentennial Guatemala
4:00-5:30 p.m., Rm. 160, Kroeber
- Tuesday** Emeriti lecture in honor of John Rowe
October 13 Dr. Warren R. DeBoer
CUNY, Queens, Flushing, NY
Axes of Variability in the Upper Amazon
4:00-5:30 p.m., Alumni House
Reception to follow at Alumni House
- Wednesday** Archaeology Brown Bag series
October 14 Kent Lightfoot
Metini Archaeological Project
Noon, Rm. 101, 2251 College
- Wednesday** Archaeology Brown Bag series
October 21 Kathy Kawelu
Subject TBA
Noon, Rm. 101, 2251 College
- Monday** Registration begins for Spring 1999
October 26
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October 26 3:00 p.m. Gifford Room
- Wednesday** Archaeology Brown Bag series
October 28 Chiripa Archaeology Group
Subject TBA
Noon, Rm. 101, 2251 College
- Friday** Halloween gathering—everyone welcome!
October 30 Anthro front office, 232 Kroeber, 1-5 p.m.
Show off your costume.
Trick or treat for candy.

WELCOME SHINJI YAMASHITA: VISITING RESEARCHER

Professor Shinji Yamashita of the University of Tokyo and recent President of the Japanese Ethnology Society has arrived to spend a year with us on an Abe Fellowship. Professor Yamashita has done extensive field research in Indonesia as well as in Japan, and publishes in English and Japanese. He will be researching "Asians in Motion" in the Bay Area and would like to meet his colleagues here. His office for the fall term is in 301 Kroeber and his phone number is 642-0705. He shares a mailbox with Nelson Graburn.

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October 1, 1998

THE EAR . . .

This space has been called everything from the Kroeber Society column to Rona Barrett. This month we're calling it *The Ear*. Its purpose? A place to put short stuff. . . . **Shirish Jain** says he doesn't know if this warrants instant fame and stardom, but he has been elected to the board of the Society of the Anthropology of Consciousness (SAC), a division of the AAA, as the student member for the next two years and will be the site coordinator for the next SAC meeting here in Berkeley in March 1999, and yes, that does count as instant stardom for sure, as does the news that **Lucinda Ramberg** spent the summer in South India on a Human Rights Center Fellowship researching questions on human rights and sex work in the case of *davadasis*—hindu devotees in the tradition of temple dancing. She adds that she'd welcome conversation with those musing on similar topics. . . . **Roland Moore**, former UCB Anthropology PhD recipient, was recently given honorary citizenship, and a plaque! and medals! in the town in Greece where he did his dissertation research. If anyone wants details, or maybe to see the *plaque*, they should call him at the Prevention Research Center in Berkeley . . . President's postdoctoral fellow **Kamari Clarke** has been awarded another year of funding to complete her manuscript here at Berkeley and will begin a tenure-track position in the anthropology dept. at Yale University next fall. Dr. Clarke will be on campus this year in both the departments of anthropology and African-American studies. . . . In August **Sandy Jones** attended the wedding of **Cameron Monroe '95** and **Stephanie Douglas '96**. Cameron is currently in the PhD program at UCLA and Stephanie is teaching school. "It was the social event of the season!" says Sandy. Speaking of Sandy, you know how the beginning of the school year is nuts around here? Well, this year there was a room change for Prof. Ferme's class and SOMEHOW students in this class were directed to 56 Dwinelle instead of 156 Dwinelle. Room 56 is the women's bathroom in Dwinelle's basement. The department got a whole lot of calls from a whole lot of undergrads, "Um, hello? hello? Are we really supposed to be here? Really? Just wondering. It's okay if we are. Really." Sandy says she did *not* do this. . . . **Paul Rabinow** was quoted in the September 14 edition of *The New York Times* in an article on the creative mind of Nobel Prize winner Kary Mullis, inventor of the polymerase chain reaction (P.C.R.) . . . The September issue of *Lingua Franca* quotes **Jonathan Marks**'s article from the May issue of the AAA *Anthropology Newsletter* in which he questioned the appropriateness of juxtaposing a gorilla and an African man on the cover of the book *Demonic Males*. . . . And recently the question was raised regarding what made the anthropology faculty different from other faculties, if they indeed were?

> "Well, there are more eccentrics in anthropology, you know, more than in a department like, well, like, math."
> "TED KACZYNSKI? What about TED KACZYNSKI? You don't call that *eccentric*?" . . .

And then **Professor Berreman** explained, "Anthropology has always been sort of run by whim. And well . . . we have a lot of whimmers."

CORRECTION

Last month *The Jawbone* published a memoriam on Mary Jean Aernie. It was brought to our attention that she would be better known to those at Berkeley as Mary Jean Kennedy. We apologize for any confusion.