

Queen's University is hosting an 'Africa Days' event on 9-10 February 2010. The purpose of Africa Days is to increase the awareness of, and promote, the current involvement of the Queen's community in academic research and teaching pertaining to Africa and African Diasporic studies. The event also seeks to increase recognition of our involvement in studies relating to Africa's cultural and social richness as well as the economic development of the region and developing programming and learning opportunities related to Africa and African Diaspora at Queen's, in the Kingston community, and in Ontario more generally. To this end, the Africa Days Steering Committee is inviting internal and external speakers to participate in the two-day program, which focuses on Africa and African Diasporic academic and social activities through various public presentations and networking opportunities. The Africa Days event will foster dialogue between Queen's students, faculty, community, and invited speakers on important development themes ranging from health and education to human security and the environment to democratization and good governance. The two-day program concludes with an African-themed music and dinner event during the early evening of February 10.