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## UCT events and interview opportunities

**(The Mendi Centenary Conference and lectures with Justice Albie Sachs, award-winning arts journalist Lwandile Fikeni and Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Hon Jody Wilson-Raybould)**

- **"The Constitution, Property and Land Re-Distribution" with Justice Albie Sachs and Archbishop Thabo Makgoba** – To celebrate the many dimensions of the life of Oliver Reginald Tambo and the crucial role he played in our country's history, The Oliver and Adelaide Tambo Foundation and the UCT Faculty of Law are hosting a lecture by Justice Albie Sachs, retired Justice of the Constitutional Court, on "The Constitution, Property and Land Re-Distribution" with introduction by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, Anglican Church of Southern Africa.
- **"Ukutshona kukaMendi" / "Ukuzika kukaMendi": The Mendi Centenary Conference** – This conference, hosted by the Centre for African Studies at UCT, commemorates the sinking of the SS Mendi that occurred during the First World War, on 21 February 1917. It pays tribute to the South African Native Labour Contingent, and the men on the Mendi who died en route to fight for their dignity and human rights through service to the war effort. The conference seeks to explore the struggle against oppression and dispossession, and particularly against the Natives Land Act of 1913, as a reason why these men left their homes in rural South Africa to contribute to the war effort. It also aims to examine the roles played by black intellectuals such as Samuel Edward Krune Mqhayi, Solomon T. Plaatje, and John Dube in the recruitment of men to the South African Native Labour Contingent, and in dealing with the aftermath of the Mendi tragedy. For more information, [click here](#).
- **Great Texts / Big Questions with Lwandile Fikeni** – As part of the 2017 Great Texts/Big Questions lecture series and its current focus on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the Institute for Creative Arts (ICA) presents a lecture by award-winning arts journalist Lwandile Fikeni. Fikeni will present "Like a Pistol Shot in the Middle of the Concert". This lecture will discuss the ways in which art and literature of the post-TRC era proffered a space for creative possibility for a relatively new nation coming into its own. Fikeni is an art critic and MA Creative Writing candidate at Wits University. He was the 2015 Arts Journalist of the Year Award-winner and the recipient of a 2016 Wits Ruth First Fellowship grant. The lecture will be followed by an open question and answer session. For more information, [click](#)

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- **“Separate Journeys, Same Path: Truth and Reconciliation in Canada and South Africa” with Hon. Jody Wilson-Raybould** – Dean of Law, Prof Penelope Andrews and Her Excellency Sandra McCardell, High Commissioner of Canada to South Africa are hosting a lecture by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Hon. Jody Wilson-Raybould. Wilson-Raybould began her legal career as a provincial crown prosecutor in Vancouver and later served as an advisor at the BC Treaty Commission. In 2004, she was elected as Commissioner by the Chiefs of the First Nations Summit. Wilson-Raybould was elected Regional Chief of the BC Assembly of First Nations in 2009 and re-elected in 2012 before being appointed Minister of Justice and Attorney General in 2015. For more information, [click here.](#)

Event/Topic	Details	Contact
<b>“The Constitution, Property and Land Re-Distribution” with Justice Albie Sachs and Archbishop Thabo Makgoba</b>	<b>Date:</b> Monday, 27 March 2017 <b>Time:</b> 17h00 <b>Venue:</b> Lecture Theatre 3, Kramer Law Building, Middle Campus, UCT	<b>Name:</b> Jessica Loizides <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za">jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za</a> <b>Tel:</b> 021 650 5671
<b>“Ukutshona kukaMendi” / “Ukuzika kukaMendi”: The Mendi Centenary Conference</b>	<b>Date:</b> Tuesday, 28 March-Thursday, 30 March 2017 <b>Venue:</b> Centre for African Studies, Upper Campus, UCT	<b>Name:</b> Sino Mdunjeni <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:sino.mdunjeni@uct.ac.za">sino.mdunjeni@uct.ac.za</a> <b>Tel:</b> 021 650 4976
<b>Great Texts / Big Questions with Lwandile Fikeni</b>	<b>Date:</b> Wednesday, 29 March 2017 <b>Time:</b> 18h00 <b>Venue:</b> Anatomy Lecture Theatre, Old Medical School Building, UCT Hiddingh Campus, 31-37 Orange Street, Cape Town	<b>Name:</b> Jessica Loizides <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za">jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za</a> <b>Tel:</b> 021 650 5671
<b>“Separate Journeys, Same Path: Truth and Reconciliation in Canada and South Africa” with Hon. Jody Wilson-Raybould</b>	<b>Date:</b> Thursday, 30 March 2017 <b>Time:</b> 17h00 <b>Venue:</b> OT Moot Court, Level 5, Wilfred and Jules Kramer Law Building, Middle Campus, UCT	<b>Name:</b> Azwi Mufamadi <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:azwi.mufamadi@uct.ac.za">azwi.mufamadi@uct.ac.za</a> <b>Tel:</b> 021 650 5427

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