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Upcoming UCT events

- **UCT and Yale choirs team up for another outstanding performance** – The world-renowned Whiffenpoofs of Yale University in the USA and the UCT choir join in concert for one night only
- **Climate Change and the Smallholder in Africa** - Dr Stephen Twomolow, Regional Climate and Environmental Specialist for Eastern and Southern Africa at the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), speaks on IFAD's Response to Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programmes
- **Café Scientifique** – Professor Jill Farrant speaks on challenges and potential medicinal and cosmetic uses of resurrection plants

Date	Event/Topic	Highlights/Speakers	Contact
10 July	<p>UCT and Yale choirs team up for another outstanding performance</p> <p>Time: 19h00</p> <p>Venue: St. George's Cathedral, 5 Wale Street, Cape Town</p>	<p>The world-renowned Whiffenpoofs of Yale University in the USA and the University of Cape Town (UCT) choir will once join in once again after their 2013 sold-out joint performance.</p> <p>The programme will include a rich variety of choral music - from classical to contemporary genres, both sacred and secular.</p> <p>Tickets for Friday's performance cost R100 (for adults) and R50 (for pensioners, students and learners), and are also available at the door.</p>	<p>UCT Choir Email: uctchoir@gmail.com</p>
15 July	<p>Climate Change and the Smallholder in Africa – IFAD's Response – Adaptation</p>	<p>Dr Stephen Twomolow, Regional Climate and Environmental Specialist for Eastern and Southern Africa at</p>	<p>Kirsty Nortje Tel: 021 650 5598 Email: kirsty.nortje@uct.ac.za</p>

	<p>for Smallholder Agriculture Programmes</p> <p>Time: 13h00 – 14h00</p> <p>Venue: Studio 5, Environmental & Geographical Science Building, Upper Campus, UCT</p>	<p>the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), will outline how the IFAD enhanced its approach to rural development in the context of evolving environmental threats. Through projects in Eritrea, Kenya, Madagascar and the Indian Ocean islands, IFDA supports the introduction of simple water and land management techniques that prevent damage to soils from flooding, and help conserve water. IFAD is pioneering testing payment for environmental services, income diversification, value chain development, and more sustainable and profitable management systems.</p> <p>To ensure earmarked climate and environmental finance is channelled to these smallholders through IFAD supported programmes, in 2012 the organization established the, 'Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme' (ASAP). ASAP provides a new source of co- financing targeted specifically at scaling up and integrating climate change adaptation in 'regular' smallholder development programmes.</p>	<p>Alicia Okeyo Email: allycat.okeyo@gmail.com</p>
<p>21 July</p>	<p>Café Scientifique – Resurrection plants: Future food, future health</p> <p>Time: 18h00 – 20h00</p> <p>Venue: The Irma Stern Museum, Cecil Road, corner of Chapel Road, Rosebank</p>	<p>Over a glass of wine, Professor Jill Farrant will talk about the challenges and potential medicinal and cosmetic uses of resurrection plants.</p> <p>Resurrection plants are those that survive the loss of 95% of cellular water for prolonged periods without dying. Production of truly drought tolerant crops is imperative for food security as climate change models predict that South Africa will be a desert by 2060.</p> <p>Jill Farrant is Professor and UCT Research Chair in Plant</p>	<p>Cynthia Best Tel: 021 650 3076 Email: Cynthia.Best@uct.ac.za</p>

	<p>Molecular Physiology. She was awarded the prestigious L’Oreal-Unesco Women in Science Award in 2012.</p> <p>Please RSVP by emailing UCTcafescientifique@gmail.com if you are interested in attending, indicating number of people as numbers are strictly limited.</p> <p>If space is available, an admission ticket will be sent to you.</p>	
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