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UCT events and interview opportunities

- **Opening the doors of Higher Education with UCT's MOOCs** – The University of Cape Town, through the Centre for Innovation in Learning and Teaching (CILT), launched the very first set of UCT-run Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) in early 2015. Currently, UCT has partnered with British-based provider FutureLearn and American-based provider Coursera to offer MOOCs. These platforms provide institutions with a hosting environment for delivering courses at scale along with interactive features for student participation, content delivery and assessments.

MOOCs are free online courses with no entry requirements. They are designed for mass participation and assume that learners will drive their own education, studying alongside diverse fellow students who may come from anywhere in the world.

See [here](#) for insights into how CILT staff members feel the MOOC programme has added value to the educational environment and to the centre itself. For more information about UCT's MOOCs, click [here](#).

- **The Centre for Extra-Mural Studies lecture series: The History of South African Jazz**
 - **Keeping Time: Ian Bruce Huntley's South African jazz archive** – Ian Bruce Huntley is not a name readily found in the burgeoning annals of South African jazz. In this lecture Jonathan Eato, senior lecturer in the Department of Music at the University of York, will consider how, in the face of increasing political oppression, Huntley's archive documented a community of vernacular intellectuals exploring and developing ideas in counterpoint to much commercially available South African jazz post-'Pondo Blues'. For more information on this event, click [here](#).
 - **A Climbing Vine through Concrete: Jazz in 1960's apartheid South Africa** – In Soweto Blues, Gwen Ansell states that although the 1960s have been dubbed the 'Silent Time' in South Africa, they were "far from silent. Like a climbing vine through concrete, music that was deliberately and defiantly assertive pushed through and hung on." Historians have outlined the social and political context for jazz music's 'climbing vine', but in this lecture

Jonathan Eato will consider what understandings about cultural life under grand apartheid can be gained by examining the links between musical form and social history. For more information on this event, click [here](#).

- Distinguished Speaker Programme: Shirley Zinn: "Swimming Upstream" –**
 As part of the Distinguished Speaker Programme, the UCT Graduate School of Business welcomes Professor Shirley Zinn, who will be sharing her story of determination, courage, and triumph over incredible adversity. She has risen to the top of the pile in both academic and business circles, and yet she has retained great humanity and empathy in the face of great personal tragedy. Her story has lessons for us all – whether we are ordinary or extraordinary, whether we work in business, in government, or at home. For more information on Professor Zinn and this event, click [here](#).

Event/Topic	Details	Contact
Opening the doors of Higher Education with UCT's MOOCs	The University of Cape Town, the Centre for Innovation in Learning and Teaching (CILT), launched the very first set of UCT-run MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) in early 2015.	Name: Aamirah Sunday Email: aamirah.sunday@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216504536
The Centre for Extra-Mural Studies lecture series: The History of South African Jazz	The Centre for Extra-Mural Studies presents two events this week that will explore some of the South African jazz greats of the 1960's. Keeping Time: Ian Bruce Huntley's South African jazz archive Date: 02 August 2016 Time: 18h00-19h00 Venue: LT3 Kramer, Middle Campus, UCT A Climbing Vine Through Concrete: Jazz in 1960's apartheid South Africa Date: 04 August 2016 Time: 18h00-19h00 Venue: LT3 Kramer, Middle Campus, UCT	Name: Jessica Loizides Email: jessica.loizides@uct.ac.za Tel: 0216505671
Distinguished Speaker Programme: Shirley Zinn: "Swimming Upstream"	Date: 04 August 2016 Time: 17h30 for 18h00-19h00 Venue: Exhibition Hall, UCT Graduate School of Business, Breakwater Campus	Name: Inshaaf Ahmed Email: inshaaf@rothko.co.za Tel: 021 448 9465

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