



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA  
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES

Africana Studies

## African American History and the Year of Return

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**FEBRUARY 25, 2020**

**LOCATION:**

STUDENT UNION MEMORIAL CENTER  
TUBAC ROOM  
1303 E. UNIVERSITY BLVD.

**TIME:**

12:00PM

**SUGGESTED PARKING:**

Second Street Garage

**Light Lunch Provided.**



In 2019, The African nation of Ghana hosted “The Year of Return” to celebrate “the cumulative resilience of all the victims of the Trans Atlantic Slave Trade who were scattered and displaced through the world in North America, South America, the Caribbean, Europe and Asia.” Africana Studies faculty member Tani Sanchez discusses a recent year of return trip to Ghana and contextualizes it in terms of her own years of research and genealogy into her African American heritage including her personal black family history, from slavery to Freedom, from Louisiana to Arizona.



**Dr. Tani D. Sanchez**

*Africana Studies*

Dr. Tani Sanchez Associate Professor of Africana Studies is primarily interested in racial representations in the media and in the study of African American history and culture. She worked for several years as an editor, broadcast journalist and as a media information specialist. She is also the first president of the Tucson Chapter Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, is a member of the Tucson Black Film Club, and has served as a State President of the National Association of Colored Women’s Clubs. She has a doctorate in Comparative Cultural and Literary studies; her Masters degree focused on visual culture/art history while her undergraduate studies included Radio and Television.

For more information CONTACT: Africana Studies Program 621-5665 or [africana.arizona.edu](http://africana.arizona.edu)