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Friday Seminar in Africa Studies



Ghanzi Calling: Making a Pan-African Fanzine during the Covid-19 Pandemic

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Notes from the Lockdown is a fanzine compiled some months into the covid-19 pandemic. It consists of poetry, short stories, thought pieces, Facebook updates and jokes composed by contributors from Sierra Leone, Ghana, Nigeria, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana, South Africa and Namibia. The fanzine has been printed in Stockholm and in Nairobi, it has been distributed as an appendix to the Nordic Journal of African Studies, and is used as teaching material at Institudo Federal de Brasilia, Chuka University (Kenya) and Södra Latin, Stockholm. In this seminar, Nicklas Hållén will talk about what occasioned this project, how it was done, reflect on some of the challenges and possibilities of this type of DIY publication and say a few words about the next step in the process, which is a comic fanzine about the lockdown.

Zoom Link: https://uu-se.zoom.us/j/68305747850

A link to the fanzine:

https://africanstreetliterature.wordpress.com/2020/06/29/download-notes-from-the-lockdown/

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