

Black German Cultural Society of New Jersey

2012 Annual Convention

- Call for Papers -

Building on the success of the inaugural 2011 conference, the second annual convention of the Black German Cultural Society of New Jersey (BGCSNJ) will be held at Barnard College in New York City on August 10-11, 2012. This year's convention will focus on the theme of "What Is the Black German Experience?" The conference will feature a keynote address by Yara Colette Lemke Muniz de Faria, screenings of the films "Hope in My Heart: The May Ayim Story" and "Audre Lorde - The Berlin Years 1984-1992," and readings by Black German poet-performers Olumide Popoola and Philipp Kabo Köpsell.

The BGCSNJ Review Committee invites proposals for papers that engage the multiplicity and diversity of the experiences of Blacks of German heritage and on Blackness in Germany. We welcome submissions for twenty-minute presentations on three academic panels and two sessions devoted to life writing, oral history and memoir. To participate please send a one-page abstract and a CV or short biographical statement to: bgcsinc@gmail.com. Deadline for proposals March 15