

# FRICA HERITAGE FOUNDATION

## Chief TundeAdetunji

CEO | President Africa Cultural Ambassador



#### A VISION FOR AFRICA IN USA AND DIASPORA

In cooperation and collaboration with the United Nations and the African Union, the Africa Heritage Foundation envisions an Africa Horizon and uplifted from poverty and tribal disputes to one of global contribution and participation with its many potentials, resources, gifts, talents, and culture aided in part by the infusion of business expertise, health and preventive initiative, Brain gain human resources and capacity building technology, and infrastructures from the Diaspora, educational resources from universities around the world, and support from companies ready to benefit and contribute to this unlimited growth potential.

#### **OUTREACH & SERVICES**

#### Network of Universities



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#### Africa Day Celebration



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#### US Africa Open For Business



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# Africa World Museum & Center



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#### Africa Heritage Diaspora Radio & Television



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#### Africa Open for Business



From I-r, Cedric Suzman of the World Affairs Council of Atlanta; state Senator Donzella James and Tunde Adetunji of the Africa Heritage Foundation celebrate Africa Day at the state Capitol on June 4.

## Africa Heritage Foundation

Founded by Chief Tunde Adetunji in 1996, the Africa Heritage Foundation's (AHF) mission include creating an environment where the nations in Africa and the State of Georgia can develop opportunities and new ventures in business, technology, resources, education and culture to the mutual benefit of each other. AHF seeks to provide a platform for discussion among business, industry and civic leaders to learn about and identify mutual business, educational and cultural opportunities that can be developed into successful ventures and relationships for the mutual benefit of Georgia, Atlanta and the entire African Nation.

AHF, in conjunction with the CDC, supports health initiatives and education for Africa. With the theme "Africa Matters, Africa is the Future," other goals of AHF include Atlanta being a Gateway to Africa and the key place to further discussions of the worldwide Diaspora as the sixth region of the African continent. Another goal for AHF is the African Village capital project to be located in Atlanta, which would include physical space for knowledge acquisition, a high-powered think tank and a virtual tour that exhibits the unique cultures of the regions of Africa.

The slogan of AHF is "Bridging the Gap, Building the Bridge, "his message of 'Africa Matters', where he lectures and exhibits aspects of African culture and heritage during his visit. "Having a foundation at SPSU has helped to highlight SPSU as a very significant university in the US and also to the African Union (AU) and United Nations (UN)", says Chief Tunde.

## Africa Day Celebration

Primary objectives of Africa Day in Atlanta include:

- 1) Developing international partnerships,
- 2) Supporting the emergence of Africa and USA private sector,
- 3) Promoting direct foreign investment in Africa, and
- 4) Leveraging the imbalances in Africa's growing economy.

# Africa Heritage Foundation (5o1c3) presented another successful Africa Day in Atlanta 2012

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Chief Tunde greets African Union Chairman Dr. Jean Ping and United Nation Secretary Generan Ban Ki-Moon

Chief Tunde Adetunji once again has presented a successful Africa Day Celebration 2012 in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. This is the sixth annual Africa Day celebration sponsored by the Africa Heritage Foundation under the leadership of Chief Tunde, which he is so respectfully called by his associates and friends. The annual Africa Day Celebration took place on May 25-26 at the Georgia state capitol .It is the grassroots festive event to inform, acknowledge and promote worldwide potential business opportunities, ideas and values of Africa as a continent of possibilities to the global community.

Africa Day in Atlanta is also about embracing and celebrating the culture and heritage of Africa and it serves to facilitate networking opportunities. It is an official proclamation and resolution that 'Africa Matters and Africa is the Future'. This has been the mantra of Chief Tunde that he has been so tirelessly proclaiming and working to promote for almost twenty years now.

Chief Tunde believes that Atlanta will be the United States Gateway to Africa in terms of business, educational opportunities and also for the fostering of social and cultural relationships. "The potential is here in Atlanta and it is already beginning to happen," says Chief Tunde. Last year during Africa day in Atlanta, the city council of Atlanta offered a proclamation signed by all of its members praising the efforts of the foundation and acknowledging future opportunities in Africa.

Atlanta's Africa Day Celebration has been endorsed by the African Union (AU) Commission's Chairperson the Honorable Dr. Jean Ping. Just before Africa Day 2011, he visited Atlanta at an invitation arranged and coordinated by Chief Tunde. Accompanied by a high level delegation, including his chief of staff, the AU ambassador to the US and the director of the AU's Diaspora programme, Dr. Ping's historical, official visit represented an important milestone in the history of the AU's Diaspora Initiative and its relations with the State of Georgia and the city of Atlanta.



Chief Tunde, Governor Nathan Deal (ct) with other Georgia officials

While in Atlanta Dr. Ping was a guest on Chief Tunde's television show African Heritage Diaspora TV, where he spoke about the important role that the African Union has given to the Diaspora as a part of the renaissance project aligning Africa with the global Diaspora. Dr. Ping saw the future as "one in which Africa stands tall among its peers in the international community." Dr. Ping then pinned a gold pendant on Chief Tunde declaring him an African Cultural Ambassador. Dr. Ping congratulated Chief Tunde for his untiring commitment to promoting strong and positive ties between the city of Atlanta, the state of Georgia, the African Union and the African continent.

Through the African Heritage Foundation and Africa Day in Atlanta, Chief Tunde aims is to create an environment where African nations' interests and Georgia's interests can be discussed among power brokers and political leaders. He wants the city of Atlanta be the platform to explore successful ways to better connect businesses and people between African nations and the United States of America. Tunde believes that as Atlanta becomes the gateway to Africa, it is also the place to facilitate further discussions about the Diaspora becoming the sixth region of African.

During Black History Month, Chief Tunde, in conjunction with Southern Polytechnic State University (SPSU) presented "Celebrate Africa: Journey through the Ages." This was a celebration of African heritage that included visual exhibitions, lectures, electronic presentations and a reception. This exhibition which made its debut during the 1996 Olympics, is traveling to various institutions in the US,

Brazil and Canada detailing the splendor and significance of African culture through art exhibits, archeology and symposiums. Chief Tunde Adetunji believes that the arts consistently express and communicate the essence of African culture and brilliance.

In 2010, SPSU signed a formal agreement with the African Heritage Foundation (AHF) to establish the mission of building bridges between the 55 nations of the Africa and the United States. A goal of this agreement includes the creation of a network of universities on both continents. With more than 26 African nations represented in the SPSU's student body, it is an ideal place for AHF to have as the base for such a project. Chief Tunde is continuously traveling to universities around the Americas with his message of 'Africa Matters', where he lectures and exhibits aspects of African culture and heritage during his visit. "Having a foundation at SPSU has helped to highlight SPSU as a very significant university in the US and also to the African Union (AU) and United Nations (UN)", says Chief Tunde, who has favorable relationships with officials from these organizations.

Primary objectives of Africa Day in Atlanta include 1) developing international partnerships, 2) supporting the emergence of Africa and USA private sector, 3) promoting direct foreign investment in Africa, and 4) leveraging the imbalances in Africa's growing economy. Benefits of the celebration are likely to include investments to help eradicate poverty. Investment opportunities can contribute to changing the political and economic image of Africa, and allow access to the billion dollars the U.S. Government has committed to trade capacity building activities; networking and subcontracting opportunities.

Chief Tunde says that Africa is a continent of many possibilities. "In fact, it is the hub of the world economic propensity and posterity, but somehow still remains the *missing link* in the global economy." He goes on to say that in the last ten years, Africa has made significant progress in social and economic development, including a strong average growth rate in many countries and an improved political and social environment. "Even though there are still challenges, African nations' are determined to change things for the better.



Chief Tunde celebrates Africa Day in Atlanta 2011

## US Africa Open For Business



Through education, seminars, corporate endorsements, AHF is dedicated to raising Africa's profile and to encourage and help foster investments to help eradicate poverty and stimulate economic activity. Investment opportunities that can contribute to changing the political and economic image of Africa, and facilitate trade capacity building activities, well as as networking and subcontracting opportunities.

### Network of Universities

In 2010, Southern Polytechnic State University (SPSU) signed a formal agreement with the African Heritage Foundation (AHF) to establish the mission of building bridges between the 55 nations of the Africa and the United States. It is the goal of AHF to help create a network of universities on both continents. To this end, Chief Tunde is consistently and continuously traveling to universities around the Americas with his message of 'Africa Matters', where he lectures and exhibits aspects of African culture and heritage during his visit. "Having a foundation at SPSU has helped to highlight SPSU as a very significant university in the US and also to the African Union (AU) and United Nations (UN)", says Chief Tunde.

# SPSU SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC

#### Founded 1948

Southern Polytechnic State University is a public, co-educational, state university located in Marietta, Georgia, United States approximately 20 miles northwest of downtown Atlanta



Chief Tunde Adetunji Lecturer

#### AFRICA HERITAGE CENTER@ SPSU

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#### AFRICA WORLD MUSEUM

#### **Presents**

#### **Black History Month Exhibition Titled**

- 1. "Celebrate Africa Journey through the Ages" (Visual Exhibition)
- 2. The ideal of Black History Celebration and the emerging opportunities (tutorial lecture and electronic presentation)
- 3. Time: 10:00a.m 9:00p.m Daily

From Tuesday Feb 14 - Feb 28, 2012

#### Black History Month exhibition, program set for Feb. 14

Marietta, Ga. (Feb. 10, 2012) On Tues., Feb. 14, Southern Polytechnic State University will present a celebration of Africa in conjunction with the African Heritage Foundation (AHF). The event will feature visual exhibitions, a lecture, electronic presentation and a reception to be held on campus in the Architecture Building Gallery beginning at 4 p.m.

The exhibition, which made its debut during the 1996 Olympics, travels to various institutions throughout the U.S., Brazil and Canada detailing the splendor and significance of African culture through art exhibitions, lectures, archeology and symposiums. This event will launch the second phase of the African Heritage Foundation's decade-long project, "Africa Matters."

CEO, Africa Cultural Ambassador and President of the Africa Heritage Foundation, Chief Tunde Adetunji believes that the arts consistently express and communicate the essence of African culture and brilliance. There are two facets to the event, an exhibition titled "Celebrate Africa: Journey through the Ages," and a tutorial lecture and electronic presentation, "The Ideal Black History Celebration and the Emerging Opportunities."

A formal agreement was established last fall between SPSU and the AHF that seeks to build bridges between the 55 nations of the Africa Union and the United States, in part through the creation of a network of universities on both continents. Dr. Richard Bennett, director of international programs, said that this agreement is the basis of the foundation at SPSU, noting that more than 26 African nations are represented in the university's student body.

http://www.spsu.edu/newsroom/news/Black\_History\_Exhibition.htm

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# Celebrate Africa Journal through the Ages













#### Africa World Museum and Center

"Our Heritage is Our Pride"

# Marietta Daily Journal



StaffyJon-Michael Sullivan Tünde Adetunji, founder and CEO of the African Heritage Foundation, left, watches as Dr. Zvi Szafran, vice president for academic affairs, center, holds the ribbon as Ambassador Cheick Sidi Diarra cuts it, commissioning the 'Celebrate Africa' exhibit for an international tour. The exhibit, which is part of the Africa World Museum and Center collection, was on display at Southern Polytechnic State University in the Architecture Gallery as part of Black History Month. Dr. Szafran, who is also a chemistry professor, said he found the use of technology, particularly in the exhibit's sculpture pieces, interesting. 'There are great technological achievements in chemistry that originated in Africa,' Dr. Szafran said. 'The very word of chemistry is of African origin.'

# CELEBRATING AFRICA

Adetunji, left, wel-cumes a delegation of United Nations dignitaries from Africa, including Diarra, center, who serves as undersecretary general, special advisor on Africa and high representative for least-developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing states; during a visit to SPSU on Monday.



Initiated for the Africa for Cultural Exposition during the Centennial Olympic in Atlanta, subsequent exhibition were held at The World Expo, Detroit 97; France 98 World Cup; National Summit on Africa; Washington 2000; All Africa Games, Johannesburg 99; Atlanta Sesquicentennial Celebration and Festival of Colors; and National Black Arts Festival, Atlanta

2000. Plans are being made to build a museum and cultural center adjacent to SPSU in Marietta. The exhibition holds a vast collection of over 50,000 authentic art pieces and artifacts that was acquired over the last thirty years. Our goal is to expose the world to the very best artistic expression. Art encapsulates the spirit of its Epoch, through art; the world has consistently experienced the essence



of African art and culture. Our collections are of historical value and represent the artistic and creative genius of works produced by African people, tribes, and artisans. We are committed to the promotion and propagation of the black man heritage values emancipation dignity and values. Our campaign to share our history, values and contributions encompass the global community.



### AFRICA CULTURAL AMBASSADOR

#### ABOUT CHIEF TUNDE ADETUNJI

Chief Tunde Adetunji is a visionary, an idealist, a realist, and a prince, born to a royal family in Nigeria. Chief Adetunji is the Africa Cultural Ambassador, CEO, and founder of the Africa Heritage Foundation, Africa World Museum & Center, Africa Day in Atlanta, and the Africa Heritage Diaspora TV. An expert on Africa Affairs, he is a renowned presenter, a master communicator, and a motivational speaker. He was one of African Business Journal's 100 Most Influential Multicultural Business Leaders for year 2010. He is the founder and creator of AFRICA ATLANTA projects and initiatives. He is the pioneer of the creation of Diaspora as the sixth region of AFRICA and the founder of the Africa Horizon movement worldwide. He travels to universities all over the United States and abroad promoting the theme "Africa Matters and Africa is the Future" and "Bridging the Gap and Building the Bridge between Africa and the Diaspora." Chief Tunde's versatility and expertise as an art historian, curator, anthropologist, journalist and lecturer has made him a foremost dignitary on Africa and the African Diaspora.



Ambassador Chief Tunde Adetunji lecturing on the Celebrate Africa Exhibition



The Historic visit of the Chairman of the African Union Commission, H.E. Dr. Jean Ping to the city of Atlanta, Georgia

April 16-18 2011.

The African Union Chairperson, Dr. Jean Ping, visited Atlanta Georgia, at the invitation of the Africa Heritage Foundation. The visit is an important milestone for the Africa Diaspora community, a foundation step for Atlanta to tap into opportunities in Africa and the continent's potentials.

Ambassador (Chief Adetunji) interviewing the vice chairman of African Union

- RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION FROM THE US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 1997
- AWARD BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, 2004
- AWARD BY THE ASSOCIATION OF AFRICAN MUSEUMS, 2004
- RECEIVED UNITED NATIONS APPROVAL
- RECEIVED AFRICAN UNION ENDORSEMENT
- INVITED TO REPRESENT THE AFRICAN UNION AT THE 2016 OLYMPICS IN BRAZIL
- RESOLUTION BY THE GEORGIA STATE SENATE, 2007
- PROCLAMATION BY ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL, 2007
- CHIEF TUNDE ADEJUNTI DECLARED AFRICA CULTURAL AMBASSADOR BY DR. JEAN PING, CHAIRPERSON OF THE AFRICAN UNION, 2012



The CEO of Africa Heritage Foundation Chief Tunde Adetunji and Leslie Kikoler, Executive of the Brazilian Olympic Committee in Rio de Janeiro performing the official pinning of the Olympics 2016 at the Brazilian Olympic Secretariat in Rio de Janeiro - 2010

## Recognition and Dedication

Chief Tunde's numerous achievements and awards include: African Travelogue Magazines Prime Movers of Tourism Award, The Bible Society of Nigeria's Certificate of Honor, The National Merit award for Nigeria, and The Award of Distinguished recognition and Best Image Maker for Africa by the Organization of African Unity, ECOWAS International Gold Award as well as acknowledgments from several colleges and universities including Clark Atlanta, Emory, and the University of Oklahoma. Southern Polytechnic State University, Moore House College, recognition by the United Nations, World Affairs council of Atlanta, Mayor of Atlanta Phoenix Award. Also in recognition of his achievement for collaboration and understanding between Africans and African Americans has received honorary membership in 100 Black men of America, Inc.

Just a sampling of these awards highlights the significance and consistency of the Foundation's work and its leading proponent, Chief Tunde.

- African Cultural Ambassador Award and Certificate of Participation at the 7thAll Africa Games 10<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> September, 1999
- Award Recognition of Accomplishment from Organization of Africa
- Certificate of Appreciation and Recognition by Nigeria Soccer Association USA, Inc., 2000
- Recognition and Award From the U.S.A. Department of Homeland Security, 2004
- Recognition by the U.S.A Department of Commerce for the Minority Business Development, 2004
- Recognition by the African Union, 2004
- Recognition by the American Society of Appraisal, 2004
- Recognition by the Auburn Research Library, 2004
- Recognition by the Who's who in Black Atlanta Magazine, 2004
- Certificate of Outstanding Georgia Citizen, October 2006



Africa Cultural Ambassador with formal chief of staff of Africa Union commission ambassador John Shinkaye

### **Event Make History**

Historic signing of collaborative agreement between SPSU/AHF for Africa Horizon Polytechnic State University of Technology. 10/3/2011

Dr. Lisa Rossbacher

President Southern Polytechnic State University Atlanta

Chief Tunde Adetunji CEO/Founder Africa Heritage Foundation (501C3) Atlanta

A new and done deal for Georgia and Africa "Vision is Greater than Ambition"

Dear Friends, Supporters & Partners. Greetings,

Under the implementation of the Africa Heritage Foundation decade long visionary initiative to make the state of Georgia the epicenter and the gateway of Africa and the Diaspora potentials, economic empowerment, technological advancement, culture, tourism, trade and investment, human resources and capacity building, health and preventive initiative to USA as well as relocation and opening of African nations consulate offices in Georgia.

A milestone partnership agreement was signed last week for the take off Africa Horizon University of Technology which will be the nucleus of these worthy initiatives. The university which will have its model established globally will have its head quarter situates in the Georgia capital.

I was at the UN high level Africa leaders meeting in New York last week to present this initiative, and God has provided the answer. It's a done deal for Georgia "Vision is greater than ambition."

We appreciate your continuous cooperation and support for the AHF worthy initiative.

Best Regards,

Chief Tunde Adetunji CEO/Founder Africa Heritage Foundation Inc (501c3)





Below is the press released by the institution authority for your perusal and reference.

## Agreement bases Africa Heritage Foundation at SPSU

Marietta, GA. (Oct. 3, 2011) – A formal, signed agreement has established a collaboration between Southern Polytechnic State University (SPSU) and the Africa Heritage Foundation (AHF), which seeks to build bridges between the 55 nations of the African Union and the United States, in part through the creation of a network of universities on both continents.

According to Dr. Richard Bennett of the Social and International Studies Department at SPSU, the agreement will base the AHF at the university. SPSU counts students from 26 African nations among its enrollment.

Tunde Adetunji, a cultural ambassador from Nigeria who founded the AHF and serves as its CEO, said the P.K. Fokam Institute of Excellence in Cameroon – with whom SPSU already has an established partnership – will serve as the flagship institute in a network of universities the AHF is developing in Africa and several other countries.

"These are not to be considered branch campuses, but independent universities networked together in close relationship with SPSU," Dr. Bennett stressed, noting that the African Union is particularly interested in increasing the amount of meaningful technology and technology transfer in its nations.

For SPSU, the significance of the agreement lies in teaching, research and learning opportunities for faculty and students, as well as the opportunity to enrich the campus culture with high-profile speakers and other visitors to campus.

"We look forward to this partnership and all that it offers to those involved," Dr. Bennett told Adetunji.

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At Southern Polytechnic State University, students study the sciences and technologies in a unique, practical manner, as they pursue an education that is career-based and well balanced. SPSU is a residential, coeducational member of the University System of Georgia with approximately 5,700 students who study on the 198 acres of naturally wooded landscape in the historic and vibrant city of Marietta (just 20 minutes from downtown Atlanta). SPSU, through a fusion of technology with the liberal arts and sciences, creates a learning community that encourages thoughtful inquiry, diverse perspectives and strong preparation of our graduates to be leaders in an increasingly technological world.

## Historic Africa Day Celebration Parade in Atlanta, 2012

Team Work Makes Dream Work





Africa Union Executive Visit to Atlanta 2007 Africa Heritage Foundation Event Makes History



Ambassador Amina Salum Ali congratulating Chief Tunde Adetunji Africa Cultural AHF successful Diaspora initiative - 2007



First Annual Kenyatta Day in Atlanta hosted by Africa Heritage Foundation Hon. Amb. N.R.O Ogego was honored with Honorary citizenship while Chief Tunde Adetunji CEO/Founder receive Georgian Outstanding citizen Award



L-R: Josen Rossi CEO Aireko, Chief Tunde Adetunji and President of University of Puerto Rico - 2009



L-R: Chief Tunde Adetunji, Hon. Ambassador Patrick Nandago, and Consul General Chudi Okafor



Chief Tunde Adetunji CEO/Africa Heritage Foundation Africa Heritage Evergreen Achievement Award to president Hifikepunye Lucas Pohamba, received by Hon. Amb.-Patrick Nandago



Chief Tunde CEO/Founder Africa Heritage Foundation with Sam Williams Chairman Metro Atlanta Chambers



Chief Tunde CEO/Founder Africa Heritage Foundation with Robert L. Fornaro. Chairman, President and CEO Air Tran Airways



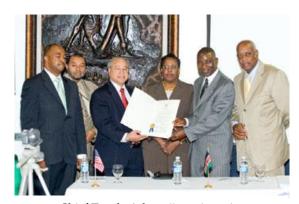
Dr. Wangari Maathai 2004 Nobel peace Laurette receive the Africa Heritage Evergreen Award from Chief Tunde Adetunji



Dr. Wangari Maathai, Ambassador Andrew Young, Chief Tunde Adetunji



Evergreen Award receiver S.C.L.C Dr. Steel with Founder/CEO AHF Chief Tunde Adetunji



Chief Tunde Adetunji receives city proclamation for the African Heritage Foundation project. From left to right: Atlanta Councilman Kwanza Hall; Joe Johnson, executive director, Fulton County; City Councilman James Maddox, Ambassador Salum Ali, Chief Adetunji and Joe Beasley, Rainbow Push Coalition.



Historic Visit to Lockheed Martin CEO Shan Cooper with Ambassador Tunde Adetunji



Group picture with Ambassador Tunde Adetunji









## Launching and Commissioning of Celebrate Africa Journey through the Ages Exhibition for World Tour

























# **Meeting with Executives from SPSU**













# Meeting with Secretary of State of Georgia











































## Africa Heritage Diaspora Radio and Television

