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NYAMURA AND MERCIA ANDREWS**

Date and Time:

July 27, 2021 14:00 PM-16:00 PM Johannesburg

Meeting ID:

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Link (Zoom):

<https://uwc.zoom.us/j/92116589824>

Panelists:



Patricia McFadden

Organic farmer and feminist scholar based
in Swaziland



Yvette Abrahams

Organic farmer, activist and feminist scholar
based in Western Cape, South Africa



Ruth Nyamura

African ecofeminist based in Kenya



Mercia Andrews

Activist and convenor of the Rural Women's
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Moderators:

Desiree Lewis and Relibohile Moletsane, Feminist academics and PIS for Critical Food Studies Programme



Although African women are centrally involved in the preparation, production and struggles around food, activist and academic domains rarely acknowledge their centrality as knowledge producers in food struggles, agroecology and critical food literacy. In this panel discussion, four feminists who are pivotally involved in food struggles address key social, cultural, environmental and nutritional concerns from the perspective of radical African-centred feminist perspectives.

Themes to be discussed are:

- Current food systems, neo-imperialism and African women and feminism
- Who are the experts? Omissions in “alternative” and “radical” politics and knowledges
- Connecting “theory”/“knowledge-making” and practice in foodwork
- Food “crises” in relation to gender, race, neo-imperialism and the Anthropocene
- Re-imagining human encounters with food from African feminist perspectives

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