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TREASURER 3-year term

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View details for: PRESIDENT-ELECT 1-year term, then 3-year term as President

Samuel Gerald Collins

SAMUEL GERALD COLLINS (PhD, American University, 1998) **Positions Held:**
Assistant Chair (2008-present) Dept. of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal
Justice, Tows...

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Samuel Gerald Collins

SAMUEL GERALD COLLINS (PhD, American University, 1998) **Positions Held:** Assistant Chair (2008-present) Dept. of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, Towson University; Senior Fulbright Scholar (2006-2007) Kookmin University; Associate Professor (2005-pres.) **Interests and/or Activities:** information society, US, South Korea; **Significant Publications:** Library of Walls: the Library of Congress and the Contradictions of Information Society (Litwin Books, forthcoming), Agent-Based Societies: Social and Cultural Interactions co-edited with Goran Trajkovski (IGI Global, 2009), All Tomorrow's Cultures: Anthropological Engagements with the Future (Berghahn Books, 2008).

"Work" - writ (culturally) large—continues to re-figure all aspects of life around us: relations of production, the pursuit of leisure, the constitution of self. The Society for the Anthropology of Work is as broad as this expanding ambit. Even now, with "work" (in its more dictionary usage) being more notable for many in its absence, an anthropology of work may involve articulating the experiences of people variously marginalized into un- or underemployment, or concern the ways that neo-liberalism as a whole stumbles against its own brutal excesses. The goal of the Society for the Anthropology of Work should be to facilitate this broad inquiry and to stimulate new connections between our members and other scholars all over the world. Here, too, "work" takes on a reflexive dimension, demanding that we simultaneously interrogate the inequalities in which anthropology has been complicit—e.g., the exploitation of part-time faculty and our flagrant disregard for workers' rights in the goods and services we purchase for anthropology functions. For all these reasons, I want to assist the SAW in continuing its mission, expanding its membership, and articulating its critical voice both in academic publications such as our Anthropology of Work Review, and in the world at large.

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View details for: TREASURER 3-year term

Charles R. Menzies



CHARLES R. MENZIES (PhD, CUNY, 1998) **Positions Held:** Associate Professor, (2004 - present), Assistant Professor, (1998-2004), Instructor, (1996-1998)
Department ...

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Charles R. Menzies



CHARLES R. MENZIES (PhD, CUNY, 1998) **Positions Held:** Associate Professor, (2004 - present), Assistant Professor, (1998-2004), Instructor, (1996-1998) Department of Anthropology, University of British Columbia. **Interests and/or Activities:** anthropological film production, contemporary First Nations issues, fisheries/natural resource management, political economy, and maritime anthropology; films and fieldwork have focused on north coastal British Columbia, Brittany, France, and Donegal, Ireland. **Significant Publications:** "The Indigenous Foundation of the Resource Economy of BC's North Coast" *Labour/Le Travail* spring 2008 (with Caroline F. Butler), *Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Natural Resource Management* (editor), University of Nebraska Press, 2006, "Stories from Home: First Nations, Land Claims, and Euro-Canadians" *American Ethnologist* (21:4), 1994.

The study of work in its many forms provides a direct and material connection to real-time problems and an opportunity to find solutions that make a difference to ordinary people in all manner of work-worlds. The problems we study, as anthropologist of work, range from the world of high tech to factory production lines and every imaginable manifestation of 'work' in between. Over the past two years I have been involved with SAW as part of the program committee. As program chair I have had the opportunity to learn about the richness of our member's research. As a continuing member of the SAW executive board, I look forward to collaboratively ensuring that this richness continues to reach as broad an audience as possible. You can find more about my work by going to my webpage: www.charlesmenzies.ca.

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View details for: STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE #1, 1-year term

Theresa Preston-Werner



THERESA PRESTON-WERNER (PhD Candidate, Northwestern University) **Positions Held:** Junior Convener of the Women's Section of the American Folklore Society (20...

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Theresa Preston-Werner



THERESA PRESTON-WERNER (PhD Candidate, Northwestern University) **Positions Held:** Junior Convener of the Women's Section of the American Folklore Society (2008); Eric R. Wolf Prize Committee member (2008); Teaching Assistant (2004-2006) Northwestern University; Graduate student representative during Northwestern faculty meetings (2004-2005); Assistant Editor, *Journal of Contemporary Legends* (Summer 2003); **Interests and/or Activities:** consumption/production, cultural capital, volunteering at The Women's Building, San Francisco, CA, to connect disenfranchised, often undocumented, monolingual Spanish speakers with city resources; **Significant Publications:** "Gallo Pinto: Tradition, Memory, and Identity in Costa Rican Foodways," *Journal of American Folklore*, 2009;

"Breaking Down Binaries: Gender, Art, and Tools in Ancient Costa Rica," *Archaeological Publications of the American Anthropological Association*, 2008; "Valuing the 'Professional' in an International Direct-Selling Organization: The Commodification of Class Identity in Southern Costa Rica," *Anthropology of Work Review*, 2007.

Perhaps like some other members, I came to know the Society for the Anthropology of Work by means of a colleague's thoughtful invitation. At the 2006 AAA meetings I found myself on a panel sponsored by SAW, where I presented my preliminary data on multilevel marketing companies and explored the idea of "professionalism" as a work identity. Following my talk, SAW's then-President, Jim Weil, introduced himself (a fellow Costa Ricanist), and invited me to SAW's business meeting. As a graduate student, I find the support and guidance I have received from SAW's members to be invaluable. The AAA meetings can be daunting; nonetheless membership within this group provides young academics with a sense of belonging. As a student representative on the board I want to increase awareness of SAW's presence among the student body, as well as support current efforts to expand general membership and readership of the *Review*. Also, my own research has been influenced by my conversations with SAW members and through reading their work, and I hope to add to the scholarship produced by SAW through my emphasis on identity and consumption within work and my sociolinguistic methodology and analysis. Thank you for your consideration.

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View details for: STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE #2, 2-year term

Susanna Donaldson



SUSANNA DONALDSON (MA, University of Iowa, 2008; current PhD student) **Positions Held:** Teaching Assistant (2006-Pres) University of Iowa; Research Assistant ...

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Susanna Donaldson



SUSANNA DONALDSON (MA, University of Iowa, 2008; current PhD student) **Positions Held:** Teaching Assistant (2006-Pres) University of Iowa; Research Assistant (2007) University of Iowa; **Interests and/or Activities:** organization of labor, culture of agriculture, anthropology; **Significant Publications:** "Labor Pains in Burley Tobacco: The Difficulty of Adapting a Labor Intensive Product to an Industrializing Market," poster presented at the 107th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association in San Francisco, California, November 2008.

The Society for the Anthropology of Work has a history of supporting graduate students both in research and in professional development. SAW annually recognizes an outstanding student paper with the Eric Wolf Student Prize, regularly accepts student papers and posters for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the AAA, and welcomes student attendance and participation at annual business meetings. As a Student Board Member for SAW I would like to help this organization continue its commitment to graduate education and professional development, work to increase the visibility of the organization, and assist in increasing student membership.