



University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Language and hip-hop culture in a globalizing world

**Saturday, November 10, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Lucy Ellis Lounge, 1080 Foreign Languages Building**

During this one-day workshop, eight specialists from universities across the U.S. and Canada and nine UIUC faculty and graduate students will be coming together to explore different aspects of the interface between language and hip hop culture. Ultimately, our aim is to forge bridges between lay and academic perceptions of local and global cultural phenomena, bringing academics out of their 'ivory towers' and raising widely debated issues such as the potential and need for linguistic activism.

Featuring plenary speakers:

Cecelia Cutler, Visiting Assistant Professor, City University of New York

Awad Ibrahim, Associate Professor of Education, University of Ottawa

Elaine Richardson, Professor of Literacy Studies, The Ohio State University

Satellite activities

Thursday: Linguistics Colloquium talk by Awad Ibrahim, 4 p.m., Lucy Ellis Lounge, 1080 FLB.

Friday: Live radio interview with Ibrahim on WILL-radio's "Focus 580" program from 10-10:50 a.m.; Byron Hurt's award-winning documentary, "Hip-hop: Beyond beats and rhymes," 6 p.m., Lucy Ellis Lounge.

The workshop is open to the public and there is no registration fee, but participants are asked to register. For more information and to register: <http://www.linguistics.uiuc.edu/hhc/index.html>

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