

Dr. Bennetta Jules-Rosette named recipient of Recognition Award for Young Scholars from the American Association of University Women Educational Foundation

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Dr. Bennetta Jules-Rosette, associate professor of sociology at the University of California, San Diego, has been named recipient of the 1979 Recognition Award for Young Scholars from the American Association of University Women Educational Foundation.

The \$1,000 award was presented at ceremonies held June 26 during the AAUW convention in Albuquerque,,New Mexico.

The award cited Dr. Jules-Rosette for her "unique contributions in anthropology and cross-cultural communication, with special emphasis on African cultures and religions."

In 1976, Dr. Jules-Rosette began an extensive two-year study of urban relocation and its effects on three religious groups in Lusaka, Zambia. Her research included urban forms of popular culture and the role of women artists in the changing urban environment.

In addition to her field research, she is the author of three books, the most recent one "The New Religions of Africa: Priests and Priestesses in Contemporary Cults and Churches."

Dr. Jules-Rosette, daughter of Walter Washington, former mayor of Washington, D.C., is a graduate of Radcliffe College. She earned her M.A. and Ph.D. at Harvard University specializing in the sociology of religion.

She joined the faculty at UC San Diego as an assistant professor of sociology in 1972.

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