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The 2019 special issue, entitled Angola: Nationalist Narratives and Alternative Histories, will focus on the making and unmaking of Angola’s nationalist mythologies. It will track and interrogate nationalist constructions produced through monuments, urban development projects, everyday politics, and official statements. In interrogating national myths, we seek to understand how official narratives are being punctured and unmade. What new versions of ‘the nation’ have been forged since the civil war? Where are these imaginations located? How are Angolans remaking the past? With this specific focus, Kronos will delve into the silences beyond the dominant narratives, investigating how alternative interpretations of the past and the future are being forged.

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