



November 2008 Calendar

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The 2008 Latin American Studies Seminar Series

"Respondent Driven Sampling for HIV surveillance in men who have sex with men in Fortaleza, Brazil: what can anthropology tell us about the utility and validity of the current global surveillance methodology for the most vulnerable populations" a lecture by **Dr. Carl Kendall** (Professor of Medical

Anthropology and International Health in the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine)

Dr. Kendall is Professor of Medical Anthropology and International Health in the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. He is also Adjunct Professor in the Medical Anthropology Doctoral Program of the Universitat Rodaviri y Virgili in Tarragona, Spain. He is former Chair of the Department of International Health at Tulane University. Prior to that he was Associate Professor of International Health at the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health (1984-1994) where he founded and directed the Center for International Community-based Health Research. Work there included a Rockefeller Foundation funded project in collaboration with Mexico, Honduras and Puerto Rico to control dengue. From 1998-2000 Dr. Kendall visited the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine where he collaborated with colleagues in Ghana and the WHO to develop community-based approaches to child health.

Date: Tuesday, November 11, 2008

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location: A115 Parran Hall, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh

"Subject Construction, Linguistic traps, and religious elements in Fernando Vallejo's 'Our Lady of the Assassins' (La virgin de los sicarios)" a lecture by **Hermann Herlinghaus** (University of Pittsburgh)

Date: Friday, November 14, 2008

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Location TBA, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: Connie Tomko, connie@pitt.edu

Other Lectures in the Area

"Nacionalismo, Conflicto y Hegemonía en Colombia 2002-2008: Entre la comunicación y la ficción noticiosa" by Fabio López de la Roche (PhD Candidate)

López de la Roche has written many articles on twentieth century Colombian political and cultural history. Since 1944, he has been working in communication studies and media analysis, integrating interdisciplinary perspectives from political science, communications and journalism to analyze the cultural and political influence of media. His publications include *Izquierdas y cultura política. Oposición alternativa?*, 1994; *Cultura, medios y sociedad* (with Jesús Martín-Barbero), 1998; *Memoria, museo y nación. Misión de los museos nacionales para los ciudadanos del futuro*, (con Gonzalo Sánchez et al.), 2002, among others. He was also the guest editor for a special issue of *Historia Crítica* (28 [Bogotá] 2004) that focused on the History of Mass Media and Journalism in Colombia.

Date: Friday, October 31, 2008

Time: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: 208B Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

"An Exploration of the Potential Impacts that Poverty, Gender Inequalities and Stigma have on HIV Transmission and Disease Outcome in Danlí, Honduras" a lecture by **Mr. Roland Bell** (B.Phil Candidate)

While HIV/AIDS has been relatively well controlled in the first world, the epidemic in the developing world remains a salient feature of the landscape in many countries. This study sought to identify social, cultural and economic factors contributing to the epidemic in Honduras, a country that accounts for nearly 60% of all HIV cases in Central America as a whole and has the second highest rates of HIV infection in that region. Qualitative and quantitative data from surveys, interviews and observations gathered in Danlí, Honduras point to stigma, gender inequality and economic poverty as factors that likely contribute to HIV spread by negatively affecting physical and mental health, access to resources such as medical care and by creating barriers to contraceptive use. It was also found, however, that social support may play an instrumental protective role against HIV transmission as well as in preventing progression of HIV to AIDS. These findings point to the necessity for increasing support and development of HIV prevention and treatment programs in that area, as well as strengthening public health infrastructure, reducing poverty and increasing awareness about HIV/AIDS.

Date: Tuesday, November 11, 2008

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Anthropology Lounge, 3106 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

SECOND FORUM OF THE AMERICAS: "ZUMBI DOS PALMARES Libertador de escravos: 1655 – 1695" featuring **Federico Garcia** (Composer; Colombia), **Silvia Duarte** (Journalist; Guatemala), **Dr. Geoffroy de Laforcade** (France; Norfolk University), **Dr. George Reid Andrews** (University of Pittsburgh), and **Dr. Heloisa Pait** (Brazil, Chatham University)

Zumbi dos Palmares was the leader of Quilombo dos Palmares, a large independent settlement of former slaves in Northeastern Brazil during the colonial period. Today, Brazilians of all races remember his resistance to slavery on November 20th - DIA DE ZUMBI-, the Day of Black Consciousness.

Date: Thursday, November 20, 2008

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Welker Room, Chatham University

For more information: please contact Jean-Jacques Sène at jsene@chatham.edu or 412-365-2924

Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Fall 2008 Film Series

Today Latin American film is among the best in the world. All this and more will be part of the *Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano* 2008 Fall Series named "**Historias mínimas**" (Short Stories), with a special homage to Argentina for its outstanding film production. Also look out for a selection of unique films about women. **Some films are adult in nature and may not be appropriate for young audiences.**

All Films will take place on **Wednesdays @ 7:30 p.m.** in the **Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University Pittsburgh**

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

For more information: please contact amigoscinelatinoamericano08@gmail.com, and for film descriptions, go to www.amigosdelcinelatinoamericano2008.blogspot.com

Sponsored By: *Center for Latin American Studies, Hispanic Languages & Literatures, Eduardo Lozano Latin American Collection*

Upcoming Films:

Wednesday, November 5, 2008

Film: **LAS DOCE SILLAS** – Dir. Tomás Gutiérrez Alea (Cuba - 1962)

Wednesday, November 12, 2008

Film: **CENIZAS DEL PARAISO** – Dir. Marcelo Piñeyro (Argentina - 1997)

Wednesday, November 19, 2008

Film: **EL DIA QUE MURIO EL SILENCIO** – Dir. Paolo Hagáis (Bolivia, Germany - 1998)

Wednesday, November 26, 2008

Film: **TEMPORADA DE PATOS** – Dir. Fernando Eimbcke (Mexico - 2004)

International Seminar on the Separation of Powers in the Americas ... and Beyond

Duquesne University's Law School will sponsor the third in its series of International Seminars devoted to Constitutional topics at the Law School. This year's topic will be "Separation of Powers in the Americas . . . and Beyond." The presenters will be justices, judges, law professors, and executive officials from twelve countries of the Western Hemisphere and Europe, including Mexico, Canada, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Germany, and Macedonia, as well as the U.S. Among the presenters will be Professor Ron Brand from Pitt Law School. Pitt faculty or students who would like to attend, free of charge, should contact the Kathy Koehler in advance. CLE credits will be available.

Dates: November 7 - 8, 2008

Location: Duquesne University, Law School, Uptown

For more information: contact Kathy Koehler at 412 396 6282

Latin American Student Organization Events

CLASA Annual Charity Date Auction

Date: Friday, November 7, 2008

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Location: David Lawrence Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: contact Kearn Mitchell sun3nee@yahoo.com

***All proceeds go towards the Functional Literacy Program in Haiti*

Brazil Nuts Portuguese Club

Bate-Papo

Bate-Papo is our "Conversation Tables" where you can speak about various topics and meet people who are interested in the same things as you, everyone learning to or just enjoying speaking in Portuguese.

Dates: Every Tuesday & Wednesday

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: 1st Floor, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

Grupo de Dança

Dance Group is the heart of our club, where people can meet to do one of the most fun things in the world: dance. We teach and dance Axé, Samba and sometimes other types of Brazilian dance. Every year, the group participates in various events in Pittsburgh and we want you to come as well! People at every level can come and as we say, "If you can walk, you can dance!"

Dates: Every Wednesday

Time: 9:00 p.m.

Location: 1st Floor, Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Brazil Nuts Presents: Orfeu

Legendary Brazilian director Carlos Diegues recasts the tragic myth of Orpheus in the shantytowns of Rio de Janeiro during Carnival. Orfeu de Conceição is the most famous samba player in Brazil, and one of the most respected members of the neighborhood of Carioca Hill, a labyrinth of dirty streets and quickly made shacks ruthlessly controlled by drug lord Lucinho.

Young Orfeu, though, lives a gilded life. He has his pick of a bevy of local beauties, children worship him, and the corrupt police will not harass him like the others in the area. During the run-up to Carnival, his world is turned upside down with the appearance of gorgeous Euridice, who has just moved from the remote untamed hinterland of the Amazon. In spite of her indifference to samba music and her initial reluctance, the two soon fall passionately in love. Unfortunately, the violence of their surroundings threatens to overwhelm them. When Lucinho takes a liking to Euridice and challenges his former childhood friend, Orfeu is forced to endure a brutal test for his love.

*This film features the music of Caetano Veloso and the acting of Toni Garrido, cousin of the Portuguese department's own Lilly Abreu. ORFEU won the Cinema-Brazil Grand Prize for Best Picture, Best Soundtrack, and Best Cinematography.

Date: Monday, November 3, 2008

Time: 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Location: Dining Room B, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

Spanish Club/Brazil Nuts Travel Discussion

Thinking about study abroad opportunities in Latin America? Come join us for an informal presentation by students who have traveled to Brazil and the Dominican Republic. Students, faculty and staff are all invited. Bring your curiosity, questions and an appetite. Pizza will be provided.

Date: Friday, November 7, 2008

Time: 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Location: 4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Calls for Papers

2009 Student Conference on Latin American Social and Public Policy

The purpose of this conference is to provide an opportunity for graduate and undergraduate students to present papers, works-in-progress (including term papers, dissertations, papers from LASA, etc.), and other academic work with relevance to Latin American social and public policy.

If you are writing a paper on any aspect of Latin American social and public policy, we invite you to submit your work for consideration. You may also propose to form a panel for presentation and discussion.

To propose a paper presentation or a panel, please submit your topic with a brief description (approximately 75 to 100 words) to Luis Bravo, International Relations and Fellowships Coordinator (CLAS), by **November 2, 2008**. You will be notified of the committee's decision by November 20, 2008. The deadline for submission of final papers will be January 12, 2009. Individually submitted papers will be presented in panels arranged around common themes, with each participant having up to 15 minutes for presentation. Final papers must be in English and approximately 15 to 30 double-spaced pages. To submit the abstract through our online form, go to:

<http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/laspp/lasppform.html>

Conference Dates: February 20 - 21, 2009

Location: Pittsburgh Athletic Association, Oakland

For more information: contact Luis Bravo at bravo@pitt.edu

Student Journal of Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin

This year, students at the University of Texas established the first international Latin American Studies journal that includes the research of both graduates and undergraduates. The Student Journal of Latin American Studies will foster a better understanding of Latin America and link the research of graduate and undergraduate students around the world.

We invite all students, faculty, and staff across colleges and disciplines to promote and contribute to the Student Journal of Latin American Studies. We ask faculty and staff to help disseminate information to students concerning this new opportunity, and we urge students to submit research for publication in the journal.

The deadline for submissions is **January 25, 2009** with the publication date set for April 2009. For undergraduate student, we ask that papers be written in English, be double spaced, and be between 2500 and 4000 words long. For graduate student, we ask that papers be written in English, be double spaced, and be between 5000 and 8000 words long.

For more information: please visit <http://www.sjoflas.org/submissions.html> or email at info@sjoflas.org

Conferences

XIII International Congress of the Centro Latinoamericano de Administración para el Desarrollo (CLAD) on State and Public Administration Reform

CLAD and the Government of Argentina, through its Public Management Secretariat (SGP), Ministers Cabinet Staff (JGM), is pleased to announce the celebration of the "XIII International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform".

Date: November 4 - 7, 2008

Location: Buenos Aires, Argentina

For more information: www.clad.org.ve/congreso/congri.html

University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies 58th Annual Conference—The Urban Divide in Latin America: Challenges and Strategies for Social Inclusion

Latin America has the largest percentage of urban population of any world region in addition to the most unequal distribution of income. This inequality is most apparent in cities, where the richest and the poorest live in close proximity, and social inequality becomes tangible and flagrantly evident in spatial terms. How can urbanists affect policies that foster urban inclusion?

This multidisciplinary conference aims to gather scholars and professionals dedicated to improving the quality of life in urban Latin America. This forum will provide participants an opportunity to share their research and experiences, and to engage in dialogue to generate ideas and identify solutions to advance social inclusion in Latin American cities. The conference is co-hosted by the UF Center for Latin American Studies and the UF College of Design, Construction and Planning. Joseli Macedo, UF Assistant Professor of Urban and Regional Planning, and Martha Kohen, UF Professor of Architecture, will co-chair the conference. The conference will include keynote plenary sessions and paper presentations organized in panels.

Dates: January 28 - 30, 2009

Location: University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

For more information about the conference: contact Patricia Sampaio, LAS Program Coordinator at psampaio@latam.ufl.edu or visit <http://www.conferences.dce.ufl.edu/LAS/>

2009 Lozano Long Conference, "Contested Modernities: Indigenous and Afro-Descendent Struggles in Latin America"

The 2009 Lozano Long Conference, sponsored by the Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, will have as a topic Contested Modernities: Indigenous and Afro-Descendant Experiences in Latin America. This will be a scholarly gathering to discuss the specific contours of disparate modern experiences in Mesoamerica, the Caribbean and the Andes, where ethnic markers led to fundamentally distinct modernizing processes than elsewhere in the continent.

This conference will be dedicated to probing this divide, by showcasing scholarship and political interventions that place indigenous and Afro-Descendant peoples in the same analytical lens. We seek to explore and problematize this divide, without assuming that it should be eliminated, or that it should stay in place. Rather, our guiding premise is that rigorous historical, humanistic, and social analysis of the underlying question will both energize scholarly debates, and contribute to the bridge-building of commonality and difference, from which the struggles of both peoples stand to benefit.

Dates: February 26-28, 2009

Location: University of Texas at Austin

For more information:

http://www.utexas.edu/cola/insts/llilas/conferences/contested_modernities/index/

Fellowship/Grant Opportunities

Center for Latin American Studies Faculty Research Grants

Funds available for research projects on Latin America and/or the Caribbean by faculty members that will enhance the expertise and current knowledge of the faculty member and enrich the Latin American/Caribbean content of her/his courses.

Deadline for applications is **November 6, 2008**

For more information: <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/faculty/FRG/FRG2009.pdf>

Friends of the Princeton University Library Research Grant Program

Each year, the Friends of the Princeton University Library offer short-term Library Research Grants to promote scholarly use of the research collections. The Program in Hellenic Studies also supports a limited number of Library Research Grants in Hellenic studies, and the Cotsen Children's Library supports research in its collection on aspects of children's books. The Maxwell Fund supports research on materials dealing with Portuguese-speaking cultures.

These Library Research Grants, which have a value of up to \$2,500 each, are meant to help defray expenses incurred in traveling to and residing in Princeton during the tenure of the grant. The length of the grant will depend on the applicant's research proposal, but is ordinarily one month. Library Research Grants awarded in this academic year are tenable from May 2009 to April 2010, and the deadline for applications is January 15, 2009.

Applicants are asked to submit a completed application form (<http://www.princeton.edu/rbsc/fellowships/application.pdf>), budget form (http://www.princeton.edu/rbsc/fellowships/budget_rev08152006a.pdf), a résumé, and a research proposal not exceeding three pages in length. Applicants must also arrange for two confidential letters of recommendation to be sent directly to the Library Research Grants Committee at the address given below.

The proposal should address specifically the relevance to the proposed research of unique resources found in the Princeton University Library collections. Prospective grantees are urged to consult the Library's home page at <http://libweb.princeton.edu> for detailed descriptions of the collections, especially those in the Rare Books and Special Collections Department, and for the names of curators and reference staff. Applicants should have specific Princeton resources in mind—not simply a desire to make use of a major research library—as they prepare their proposals.

A committee consisting of members of the faculty, the library staff, and the Friends will award the grants on the basis of the relevance of the proposal to unique holdings of the library, the merits and significance of the project, and the applicant's scholarly qualifications. Awards will be made before April 1, 2009.

Application materials and letters of recommendation are to be mailed to Library Research Grant Committee, Princeton University Library, One Washington Road, Princeton, NJ 08544. Materials mailed to the committee must be postmarked no later than **January 15, 2009**. Facsimile transmissions may be sent to 609 258 2324. Electronic communications to the committee may be sent to loliveir@princeton.edu. Materials submitted by e-mail or facsimile

must be received no later than January 15, 2009. E-mail is the preferred method of submission.

The Inter-American Foundation's Grassroots Development Fellowship Program

The Inter-American Foundation (IAF) was created in 1969 by the United States Congress to fund the self-help initiatives of the organized poor in Latin America and the Caribbean and the groups that directly support them. To complement its work, the IAF has reinstated its Fellowships for candidates for Ph.D. degrees from United States universities as they conduct their dissertation research. IAF's Fellowships are intended to increase awareness of grassroots development efforts while building a community of professionals and scholars knowledgeable in the subject. Fellows examine the efforts of the rural and urban poor to improve their lives, their methods of organization and production, and the policies and programs designed to alleviate their poverty. The IAF disseminates research findings of its Fellows to a broad audience concerned with development.

The Institute of International Education (IIE) has partnered with the IAF to administer its Grassroots Development Fellowship Program. The Web pages on this site provide essential information on all aspects of the IAF Fellowship Program. Interested individuals should carefully review the entire site. The IAF will not respond to inquiries. Application Deadline is **January 16, 2009**

For more information: iaffellowships@iie.org or visit the website at: www.iie.org/iaf

The William Zitzmann Visiting Scholar Fellowship in Latin American Studies

The Program in Latin American Studies (PLAS) at Johns Hopkins University invites applications for the William Zitzmann Visiting Scholar Fellowship for the academic year 2009-10. The Fellowship is for one semester in residence at Johns Hopkins University. The competition is open to Latin American scholars who work and live in Latin America, and who hold a Masters degree or higher in the fields of social sciences, humanities and history.

The fellow will teach one undergraduate course, present a paper on his or her research for PLAS faculty and students, participate in the PLAS colloquia series and annual conference, and otherwise engage in the intellectual life of the Program. Because courses are taught in English, proficiency in both written and spoken English is required of all Visiting Scholars.

The Fellowship offers a \$20,000 stipend, health insurance for the Fellow, \$1500 travel allowance, and a \$1000 research fund.

Deadline for receipts of applications is **February 28, 2009**

For more information please visit <http://anthropology.jhu.edu/plas/zitzmann.html> or write to plas@jhu.edu

Study Abroad/Research/Internship Opportunities

Internship with the Office of the Federal Public Defender

Application deadline: As soon as Possible

The Office of the Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Pennsylvania is seeking an intern who is fluent in both oral and written Spanish to assist the staff with interpretation and translation. The intern will be responsible for interpreting conversations between clients and/or their family members and staff members of the Federal Public Defender's Office, translating correspondence both from and to Spanish-speaking clients, and assisting with telephone calls

from the Spanish-speaking public. As a member of the defense team, the intern will be required to keep confidential any information subject to the attorney/client privilege.

This is an unpaid internship program, though the successful applicant may earn credits applicable towards the degree depending on the guidelines of her/his department or school. The internship is available to a graduate student who is an American citizen, fluent in oral and written Spanish, and who successfully passes an FBI basic fingerprint check. This position is stationed in Downtown Pittsburgh. Some knowledge about the criminal justice system process, though not required, is preferred.

Applicants should provide a CV or resume along with a cover letter and send them to: **Lisa B. Freeland** (Federal Public Defender, Western District of Pennsylvania), 1450 Liberty Center, 1001 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

Internship Opportunities with The Inter-American Dialogue

The Inter-American Dialogue is accepting applications for its fall 2008 intern program. The Inter-American Dialogue offers full and part-time volunteer internships in the fall, spring and summer semesters for students interested in the dynamics of inter-American relations. The Dialogue is a forum for sustained exchange among leaders of the Western Hemisphere and an independent, nonpartisan center for policy analysis on economic and political relations in the Americas. It regularly convenes U.S. and Latin American leaders from the public and private sectors and diverse political perspectives to search for cooperative responses to hemispheric problems. Covering a wide scope of issues, it is engaged in an ambitious effort to improve the quality of debate and decision making on U.S.-Latin American relations and to promote new opportunities for hemispheric political, social, and economic cooperation.

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, brief writing sample, and one letter of recommendation to internships@thedialogue.org

For more information about the internship program, including necessary qualifications, please go to <http://www.thedialogue.org/page.cfm?pageID=15>

Ethnographic Field School, Summer 2009 Lake Atitlán, Guatemala "Nature, Heritage, Identity, and Globalization in Mayan Communities"

May 22 - July 12, 2009

Learn how to design, conduct and write-up your own independent research project while on the shores of a crystal lake framed by volcanoes! During the seven week program time, live and work with an indigenous Guatemalan family in the Lake Atitlán area of the Western Highlands. Whether you are an undergraduate or graduate student, training as an ethnographic researcher can prove to be beneficial for a variety of majors, such as anthropology, sociology, international affairs, history, education, textiles, natural resource management business and management, political science, psychology, and public health. All students are encouraged to apply, especially students interested in topics concerning the environment, globalization, social justice, tourism, conservation, language, development, poverty and health. Not sure how your interests may fit into the topics listed? The program is tailored individually to maximize the participant's potential for understanding and developing the skills needed for ethnographic research. Students also will have opportunities to pursue an applied, service-learning project in lieu of a research project.

Students from any university or country, regardless of major - graduate, undergraduate, post-baccalaureate or post-graduate - may apply. Applications may be accessed through the field school website: <http://www4.ncsu.edu/~twallace> or through the NC State University Study Abroad Office website <http://studyabroad.ncsu.edu/>. The applications are submitted online, but if you have any problems, please contact Ms. Kim Priebe at the NCSU Study Abroad Office, Box

7344, NC State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-7344, kim_priebe@ncsu.edu, 919-515-2087. The official deadline is **February 6, 2009**. Applications received after that date will be considered only if there are spaces still available.

For more information: please feel free to contact Dr. Tim Wallace, the program director (tmwallace@mindspring.com), or Carla Pezzia, the assistant director (carla.pezzia@ncsu.edu), 919-815-6388 (m) or 919-515-9025 (o). Fax: 919-513-0866.

Employment Opportunities

Assistant Professor, tenure-track position in Anthropology

Oregon State University has a position available for an Assistant Professor of Anthropology. Responsibilities include teaching, scholarship, and service. Position is a full-time, 9-month tenure-track position. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Required qualifications include PhD in Anthropology at time of application, evidence of teaching excellence at the university level, an active program of research, publication, and funding. The area of specialization and research should be within the broad areas of localization/globalization and Latin America/Caribbean. Preferred foci include migration, transnational and social movements, human rights, civil society, and tourism. Teaching will include courses on localization/globalization, Latin America, and specific areas of specialization. Preferred qualifications include experience in NGOs and/or other applied work and a demonstrable commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity. To review posting and apply, go to <http://oregonstate.edu/jobs> Posting #0002690. Deadline is **November 15, 2008**

Religion and Society Faculty, San Diego State University

San Diego State University, Department of Religious Studies, invites applications for a tenure-track position at assistant professor rank in Religion and Society, to begin Fall semester 2009.

This tenure-track position is focused on Religion and Society with a speciality either in Latin American and/or African or African Diaspora religions, and a background in the social scientific study of religion. Candidates will be able to fully engage in the social scientific investigation of religious pluralism in society in a postcolonial setting. The scholar may study how societies address conflicts between religious extremists, secularism and religiosity, "culture wars," dynamics of new religions, emerging religious trends, or other aspects of the intersection between religion and modern society. The candidate should be knowledgeable about contemporary and historical religious traditions in the geographical area of specialization. The position requires appropriate language skills, fieldwork, and/or life experience in Latin America and/or Africa or African Diaspora cultures. Successful candidates will have skill teaching undergraduate students, an interest in developing international study for undergraduates, and a clear research agenda. We seek a colleague who can help us maintain the department's reputation for effective teaching and advising, productive scholarship, and service to the wider community. Ph.D. preferred.

Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. Send cover letter, CV, and three letters of recommendation to Chair, Department of Religious Studies, San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-6062.

Editor, *Latin America Advisor*

The Editor is responsible for the content and production of the *Latin America Advisor*, the daily publication of The Inter-American Dialogue, a leading Washington think tank on Western Hemisphere issues. The *Latin America Advisor* covers Latin American politics, economics and business issues, and is primarily targeted to senior corporate executives with significant investments in Latin America. Specific responsibilities include:

- Plan editorial output for daily news and analysis service on business, politics and economics in the Western Hemisphere
- Interview senior-level business leaders, government officials, economists and policymakers in on-the-record interviews, as well as not-for-attribution discussions
- Write or assign features, articles, and supporting photos, graphs and data
- Build and maintain contact with diverse high-level sources
- Respond to subscriber feedback and queries to ensure substantive questions and areas of interest are being covered

Qualifications: The successful candidate will have an interest in foreign affairs, macro-economics and political issues, specifically relating to Latin America; be effective in interviewing senior executives and government officials in person and over the phone; and have demonstrated research, reporting, copyediting and writing skills. Other requirements include a Bachelor's degree, one or more years of professional experience and fluency in English and Spanish (Portuguese also a plus). Proficiency with QuarkXpress Publishing System and desktop publishing helpful, as well as experience with PCs, e-mail, Internet research, and Microsoft products.

The Inter-American Dialogue is Washington's leading forum for exchange among opinion leaders of the Western Hemisphere and an independent, nonpartisan center for policy analysis on economic and political relations in the Americas. Its 100 members from the United States, Canada and Latin America include former heads of state, prominent political, business, labor, academic, media, military and religious leaders. The Dialogue's comprehensive reports are circulated throughout the hemisphere.

The *Latin America Advisor* is The Inter-American Dialogue's daily flagship publication. It serves a membership of informed business leaders and government officials invested in Latin America's development and future. The *Latin America Advisor* provides subscribing companies with value-added reporting and unique analysis and viewpoints, and features a Q&A section that addresses a new subscriber question each business day.

For consideration, please submit resume, a cover letter and two brief writing samples in English to jobs@thedialogue.org. If you prefer, you may send the materials by fax (202-822-9553) or mail to Human Resources, Inter-American Dialogue, 1211 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 510, Washington, DC 20036.

Volunteer Opportunites

Tutoring / Mentoring

The College After School Team (CAST) currently has tutoring/mentoring opportunities available for Pitt Students. We especially need Spanish tutors.

CAST is comprised of AmeriCorps members and University of Pittsburgh students who tutor and mentor high school students. Participants tutor based on their schedules and availability. Pitt students work one-on-one with Peabody High School students, assisting them

with class work and serving as positive role models. Peabody High School is located in Pittsburgh's East Liberty neighborhood.

Participants can register for class credit or volunteer 1+ hour per week.

For more information: email pittcast@gmail.com or visit www.pittcast.net

NOTICE

The following list of events is provided as a service to the community by the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS), University of Pittsburgh. CLAS neither recommends nor endorses these events and activities. Please address questions or comments about the events to the contact provided and not to the Center.

Events at Mexico Lindo

Dia de los Muertos Installations

Exhibit Dates: October 29 - November 14, 2008

Mexico Lindo Gallery will present an installation of two *Ofrendas*, or altars, to commemorate the Day of the Dead, or Dia de los Muertos. This will be the the 4th consecutive year we remember military and civilians killed in the war in Iraq. In addition, this year's ofrendas will honor Pittsburghers Pioneers: Legendary broadcaster and advocate for persons with autism: Myron Cope, Gay Rights activist and Persad Center co-founder: Randall G. Forrester, Former Executive Director of the Urban League of Pittsburgh: Arthur J. Edmunds, Former Mellon Bank Vice President and dedicated community trustee: Sandra McLaughlin Byers, as well as the following global citizens: Paul Newman, Albert Hoffman, Sir Edmund Hillary, George Carlin, Marcella Salli Grace Eiler, Sydney Pollack, and Eva Thumshirn-Klimo, Dr. Kathryn Grabowski, and many more.

We also invite you to bring a note to one that you love and miss to place near the Ofrenda

Dates & Times: Saturday, November 1, 2008 from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 2, 2008 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Mexico Lindo, 2027 Murray Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Woodcarving demonstration by Oaxacan Woodcarver Armando Jiménez Followed by a reception

The bold and whimsical style of Armando Jiménez Aragón is usually immediately recognizable to most collectors of Oaxacan woodcarving. This artist from picturesque San Antonio Arrazola in Oaxaca began carving copal as a young man, and may have inherited some of his talent from the inimitable late Don Manuel Jiménez, who was his fathers' brother. Though much imitated throughout this region of artisans, he and his brother Moises have managed to produced many signature pieces full of movement and panache, such as leaping cheetas, immense anteaters with long tongues, polar bears with freshly caught fish in their mouths and mother possums with litters of babies suspended from their tails. All instill one with the delicious thought that they might get into mischief if we turned our backs on them for too long.

Armando will be autographing copies of the new childrens' book: "Abecedarios", which features his work, and answering your questions about his work process and other topics. He will be selling some of his amazing pieces as well. Don't miss out on this very rare opportunity to meet and welcome him!

Sponsored by Mexico Lindo Mercado y Galeria de Artesanias, the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh and the Latin American Cultural Union

Date: Thursday, November 6, 2008
Time: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Mexico Lindo, 2027 Murray Avenue, Squirrel Hill
For more information: 412 422 9984, admin@mexicolindo.biz

Salud para Niños - Birmingham Clinic

Free Pediatric & Flu Shot Clinics

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile
Dates: Saturday, November 8 & December 13, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Location: Salvation Army, 54 S. 9th Street, Southside
For more information: 412 692 6000 option 8,
Or visit http://www.chp.edu/centers/spanish_clinic.php

Upcoming Performance by Lilly Abreu

JAZZ NIGHT! OPUS CONCERT SERIES

Lilly Abreu, Eric Susoeff (guitar) and Dwayne Dolphin (bass) will perform some of the most popular tunes of the Brazilian Bossa Nova repertoire, as well as songs by American composers like Gershwin and Billy Strayhorn and Spanish songs like Besame Mucho and El Dia Que Me Quieras.

Lilly's new CD BRASILEIRA will be available for sale or go to <http://cdbaby.com/cd/lillyabreu>

Date: Saturday, November 22, 2008
Location: Little E's, 949 Liberty Avenue - 2nd Floor, Pittsburgh
For more information: 412 392 2217 <http://www.allaboutjazz.com/php/entity.php?id=12591>

MCG Jazz Gala featuring Ivan Lins

In honor of Pittsburgh's 250th anniversary and Manchester Bidwell Corporation's 40th anniversary, MCG Jazz and UPMC are proud to present an incredible gala event and concert with Ivan Lins and the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, featuring a guest performance by legendary songstress, Nancy Wilson. The Brazilian-themed reception features food, music and surprises from Pittsburgh to Rio, as well as a historic photo exhibition that takes a long look back at some very memorable MCG Jazz performances. Attendees will also have a chance to mix and mingle with many of Pittsburgh's most renowned jazz legends.

Date: Friday, November 14, 2008
Time: Gala Reception - 6:00 p.m., Concert - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Heinz Hall, Downtown Pittsburgh
For more information:
http://mcgjazz.org/_wp/improvisation-creativity-collaboration-fueling-innovation-in-the-21st-century

9th Annual LACU Latino Heritage GALA Dinner Celebration

Featuring Grupo Fuego and DJ Carla Leininger from Global Beats, Celebrating the accomplishments of the Latino Community during 2008

Date: November 15, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Location: Sheraton Hotel, Station Square

Tickets: Before Nov. 7: LACU Members \$50, Non-Members \$65, Table price \$400 (8 per table).
After Nov. 7: LACU members \$60, Non-Members \$75, Table price \$480 (8 per table).

For more information: visit www.lacunet.org or call 1 877 412 3702

Fall 2008 Artful Wednesdays

All performances take place on Wednesdays from 12:00 -1:00 p.m. at Nordy's Place (Lower Level, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh)

November 5, 2008

Featuring Musuhalpa

The musicians of Musuhalpa perform a variety of haunting songs and melodies, played on Peruvian pan pipes, string and percussion instruments from the Andean Mountain regions of Peru, Bolivia, and Ecuador, including the famed "El Cóndor Pasa"

November 19, 2008

Featuring Duende Camaron

Dancers, guitars, and singing evoke 'duende--'the magic that happens wherever the art of flamenco is played. The lively and gifted Bolivian guitarists and brothers, Cesar and Jose Ortega of Duende Camaron have a mainstay repertoire of rumba a la Gipsy Kings.

For more information on these events: contact Pitt Arts, 412 624 4498, pittarts@pitt.edu or Student Life, 412 648 1074, stulife@pitt.edu

Weekly Intercultural Events

WRCT 88.3 FM – BARRIO LATINO (formerly "Revista Radial Latinoamericana")

Interviews, News, sports, politics, local, social, cultural, recreational events, and the best Latin American music, entrevistas, noticias, deportes, notas sociales y culturales, los servicios a la comunidad, la mejor música... Y mucho más!

Barrio Latino airs on Thursdays, 6:05 – 7:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) from WRCT 88.3 FM Pittsburgh – listen via Internet at www.wrct.org or call us live 412-621-9728

Send any special announcements that you would like to broadcast to:

Martha Mantilla: martham@pitt.edu, or call 412-521-8651

Barrio Latino audio files can be found at: <http://barriolatinowrct.googlepages.com/>

E-mail us at: BarrioLatinoWRCT@gmail.com

Grupo Axé Capoeira Pittsburgh

Capoeira classes (Brazilian martial arts) are offered on the Pitt campus for Pitt students on Wednesdays from 1:00 - 2:20 p.m. and Fridays from 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. in the Baierl Student Recreation Center Aerobics Room. Additional classes meet Tuesday and Saturday afternoons in the South Side.

For more information: www.axecapoeirapittsburgh.com or email capoeirapittsburgh@gmail.com

Weekly Language Classes/Practice Sessions

Spanish Level I

Spanish instruction for beginners

Date & Time: Every Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Spanish Level II

Basic grammar, vocabulary and conversation

Dates & Times: Every Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. & Every Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Spanish Level III

Intermediate grammar, reading and conversation

Dates & Times: Every Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Spanish Level IV

Conversation, reading, writing and expressions

Dates & Times: Every Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

English Practice (for non-native speakers)

Practice English with native speakers

Dates & Times: Every Friday, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Spanish Conversation "Tertulia"

Open Spanish conversation group

Dates & Times: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

All Spanish classes are held at **Tango Cafe**, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

*Minimum purchase of \$3.00 from the menu

For more information, contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

*****Deadline*****

If you have an announcement related to a **Latin American/Caribbean activity** taking place during **December 2008** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by **November 21st** to: Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4200 W.W. Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; Fax: 412 648 2199; E-mail: clas@pitt.edu

Sorry, information will not be accepted over the telephone



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