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Thursday–Saturday
FEBRUARY 7–9, 2008
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THE CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

Most events are located in the Thompson Conference Center (TCC). Some panels are in Sid Richardson Hall (SRH), which is located south of the Thompson Conference Center and is home to the Benson Latin American Collection. The Hospitality Room is located in TCC 1.126. Here you will be able to lounge, relax, and get snacks.

DAY ONE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

1:00–6:00 P.M.  REGISTRATION AND WELCOME
Location: TCC 1.126

7:00–9:00 P.M.  OPENING PLENARY
Coalition of Immokalee Workers
Location: TCC Auditorium, 1.110

9:00–10:00 P.M.  RECEPTION
TCC Lobby

DAY TWO: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:30–9:00 A.M.  BREAKFAST
Location: TCC 1.126

9:00–10:20 A.M.  SESSION 1
Urban Planning
Re-examining the Cold War
Latin American Migration and Identity

10:30–11:50 A.M.  SESSION 2
Music
The Artistic Lens
Innovations in Social Policy

12:15–1:15 P.M.  BROWN BAG LUNCH
Dr. Carlos Gaviria
Location: Hackett Room, SRH 1.313

1:30–2:50 P.M.  SESSION 3
Cinema
Literary Perspectives
Neoliberalism and Resistance
Caribbean Migration and Identity

3:00–4:20 P.M. SESSION 4
Indigeneity and Social Inclusion
Rural Development and Land Reform
Gendered Perspectives
State and Governance in Latin America
Religion

7:00 P.M. DINNER
Clay Pit Restaurant

DAY THREE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:30–9:00 A.M. BREAKFAST, TCC 1.126

9:00–10:20 A.M. SESSION 5
Art, Activism, and Conflict in Central America
Political Representations
Development and Economic Growth
Racial Identity Formation

10:30–11:50 A.M. SESSION 6
Education and Race
Media and Social Struggles in Argentina
Social Policy in Brazil
Trade, Markets, and Regional Integration

12:00–1:15 P.M. LUNCH

1:30–3:30 P.M. CLOSING PLENARY
Dr. Garlos Gaviria
Location: TCC Auditorium, 1.110

3:30–4:00 P.M. RECEPTION
TCC Lobby

4:00 P.M. LIBRARY TOUR
Location: Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection, SRH Unit 1

9:00 P.M. FIESTA DE DESPEDIDA
Location: TBA

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OPENING REMARKS
Mike Meyer, Lindsey Carte, Sean Sellers, ILASSA28 Conference Coordinators
Bryan Roberts, Director of LLILAS

FEATURED RESEARCH
Survival Strategies of Small and Family Farmers on the Island of Puerto Rico
Katia R. Avilés-Vásquez, University of Texas at Austin

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER
Proyecto Defensa Laboral

OPENING ADDRESS
Lucas Benitez, Coalition of Immokalee Workers
Lucas Benitez is a founding member of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW). The CIW is a community-based worker organization whose members are mostly Mexican, Guatemalan, and Haitian immigrants working in the fields of Florida. Since 1992, the CIW has helped to uncover, investigate, and bring to justice six modern-day slavery operations resulting in freedom for more than 1,000 workers. Since 2001, the CIW’s Campaign for Fair Food has resulted in landmark agreements with Yum Brands and McDonald’s—the two largest restaurant corporations in the world—to improve wages and working conditions for tomato pickers in their supply chains. In 2003, Benitez and two other CIW members received the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award, and in 2007, the CIW received the Anti-Slavery Award from Anti-Slavery International.

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9:00–10:20 A.M. SESSION 1
PANEL 1. URBAN PLANNING
Location: Hackett Room, SRH 1.313
Moderator: Henry Dietz, UT Dept. of Government
Colombian Structures and Neo-colonial Restructuring: Housing Policy and Urban Development in the Historic Center of Quito
Rosa Donoso, University of Texas
A cidade enquanto museu a céu aberto: A experiência da revitalização do centro histórico de Santos/SP
Lúcio Bittencourt, Fundação Getulio Vargas
Desenvolvimento urbano e questão ambiental na Amazônia: O caso projeto habitacional Nova Cidade em Manaus
André Zogahib, Fundacao Getulio Vargas
João Botelho, Universidade Federal do Para
Seeing Is Believing: Using Geographic Information Systems to Demonstrate the Economic and Political Disparities between Non-Border and Border Colonias
Maritza Kelley, University of Texas

PANEL 2. RE-EXAMINING THE COLD WAR
Location: Benson Library, SRH 1.115
Moderator: Seth Garfield, UT Dept. of History
A Journey with Pan-Americanism
Aaron Moulton, University of Kansas
An Unlikely Cold Warrior: The Latin American Institute at Mississippi Southern College
Amelia Steadman, Tulane University
Precarious Path to Freedom: Domestic Venezuelan Communism and International Intervention, 1963–1968
Aragorn Miller, University of Texas

PANEL 3. LATIN AMERICAN MIGRATION AND IDENTITY
Location: TCC 1.124
Moderator: Rebecca Torres, Harrington Fellow, UT Dept. of Geography and the Environment
Ejidalarios Migrants’ Social and State Relations
Maria Sofia Corona, University of Texas
Chinese Mexican Community Organizations in Baja California
Randy Uang, University of Texas
La regulación migratoria de los extranjeros damnificados por el Huracán Stan, en el Soconusco, Chiapas
Santiago Martinez Junco, La Universidad de la Frontera Sur
Being “Japanese” in Latin America: Language and Identity of Japanese Immigrants in Brazil
Tomoko Sakuma, University of Texas

10:30–11:50 A.M. SESSION 2
PANEL 1. MUSIC
Location: TCC 1.124
Moderator: Joshua Tucker, UT School of Music
The Push and Pull of Modernity: Popular Versus Traditional Music in Pernambuco
Elisa Ferrari, University of Texas
Standardization of Cultural Products in Latin Pop Music
Israel Alonso, Florida International University
Duranguense: A Subcultural Representation of Lo Mexicano in the Second Generation
Monica Diaz Terrazas, Carleton College

PANEL 2. THE ARTISTIC LENS
Location: Benson Library, SRH 1.115
Moderator: Julia Guernsey, UT Dept. of Art and Art History
Recreando identidades en la historia verdadera de Bernal Díaz del Castillo
David Lisenby, University of Kansas
“Miracle-Working Satin”: Overcoming Class through Material Culture in Nineteenth-Century Mexico City
Eliot Spencer, University of North Carolina
A “Handy” Identification of Artists in the Chocholá Style Ceramic Corpus
Maline Werness, University of Texas
“Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer”: The Use of Apocalyptic Images in Colonial Peru as Explanations of Natural Disasters
Deborah Spivak, University of Texas
PANEL 3. INNOVATIONS IN SOCIAL POLICY
Location: Hackett Room, SRH 1.313
Moderator: Bryan Roberts, Director of LLILAS
Cash Transfer Programs in Latin America: An Analysis of Mexico’s Oportunidades and Brazil’s Bolsa Familia
Jacqueline Garza, University of Texas
Integrated Microfinance and Health Services: The Case of Esperanza International
Leah Nedderman, University of Texas
School Choice and Equity: The Impact of Voucher Schools on Educational Inequality in the Chilean Case
Alvaro Quezada-Hofflinger, University of Texas
La Kúa Guapa: Enterprising Women in Paraguay’s Informal Sector and Their Experiences with Village Banking
Amanda Heter, University of Kansas
Achieving Gender Equity in the Labor Market: Successes and Failures of Social Policies in Democratic Chile
Teresa Correa, University of Texas

12:15–1:15 P.M.  BROWN BAG LUNCH WITH DR. CARLOS GAVIRIA
Location: Hackett Room, SRH 1.313

1:30–2:50 P.M.  SESSION 3
PANEL 1. CINEMA
Location: TCC 1.124
Moderator: Joseph Straubhaar, UT Dept. of Radio-Television-Film
Placing Cinema, Soccer, and Tango in the Early Argentine Sound Film Los Tres Berretines
Nicolas Poppe, University of Texas
Candid Camera: Societal Representations and Critiques in New Argentine Cinema
Amber Shields, Carleton College
Latinos Go to the Movies: A Survey and Comparison of Latino Film Audiences in Austin
Katherine Haenschen, University of Texas
La Agonía de Rasu Niti: Esbozo para una representación contemporanea
Gabriela Yepes, University of Texas
3:00–4:20 P.M. SESSION 4

PANEL 1. INDIGENEITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION
Location: TCC 2.110
Moderator: Ariel Dulitzky, UT School of Law

The University and Social Change: University Education for Indigenous Students in Ecuador
David Weaver, Tulane University

Apropiación y significados de la “inclusión digital” entre los Pataxós de Coroa Vermelha, Bahía, Brasil
Elena Nava, Universidade de Brasília

Como las oportunidades políticas influenciaron las formas actuales de los movimientos sociales en el norte del Cauca
Renata Moreno, Universidad del Valle, Universidad de Brasília

We’re Not Just Black: Garifuna Stories of Interethnic Relations in Guatemala
Shannon Gorres, University of Kansas

PANEL 2. RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM
Location: TCC 1.124
Moderator: Raúl Madrid, UT Dept. of Government

Um estudo de caso de promoção do desenvolvimento em comunidade tradicional amazônica
João Botelho, Universidade Federal do Para

Land Reform in Brazil: The Arrival of the Market Model
Guilherme Lambais, Universidade Estadual de Campinas

Survival Strategies of Small and Family Farmers on the Island of Puerto Rico
Katia Avilés-Vázquez, University of Texas

Cattle Ranching in the Land of the Rubber Tapper: Social Group Perspectives in Acre, Brazil
Jeffrey Hoelle, University of Florida

PANEL 3. GENDERED PERSPECTIVES
Location: TCC 2.122
Moderator: Naomi Lindstrom, UT Dept. of Spanish and Portuguese

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - CONTINUED

De calores y lujuria: Interpretando las transgresiones sexuales del clero de Puerto Rico (Siglo XIX)
César Augusto Salcedo Chirinos, Universidad de Puerto Rico, Río Piedras

Sexual Angst of Empire: Drunken Soldiers, Diseased Prostitutes, and the Panama Canal, 1914–1921
Jeff Parker, University of Texas

Feminismo e historia: El caso de Bogotá
Diana Marcela Gómez Correal, Universidad Nacional de Colombia

PANEL 4. STATE AND GOVERNANCE IN LATIN AMERICA
Location: TCC 2.120
Moderator: Kenneth Greene, UT Dept. of Government

Formação da agenda governamental brasileira e venezuelana
Marcelo Costa, Universidade de Brasília

Accountability en México desde la Teoría Agente-Principal
Luis Arjona Ramírez, Universidad Veracruzana

Los factores que limitaron la intervención militar en política: Una historia de las relaciones cívico-militares en México
Kaori Baba, University of Tokyo

Questão global e ação do estado em uma perspectiva comparada: Brasil e Argentina
Paula Pereira, Universidade de Brasília

PANEL 5. RELIGION
Location: TCC 2.108
Moderator: TBA

The Gospel of Counterinsurgency: Ríos Montt, Evangelical Religion, and Neoliberal Development
Blake Scott, University of Georgia

The Church in Cuba, 1952–1959: Ambivalence between Regime and Revolution
Joseph Holbrook, Florida International University

Virgin of Charity: Nation, Exile, and the Embodiment of the Waters
Annie Gibson, Tulane University

7:00 P.M. DINNER
Clay Pit Restaurant, 1601 Guadalupe
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:30–9:00 A.M.  BREAKFAST
Location: TCC 1.126

9:00–10:20 A.M.  SESSION 5
PANEL 1. ART, ACTIVISM, AND CONFLICT IN CENTRAL AMERICA
Location: TCC 3.108
Moderator: TBA

Kristin Cheasty Miller, University of Texas

Claudia Rueda, Dartmouth College

Human Rights Violations in El Salvador and the Art of Claudia Bernardi
Tatiana Reinoza, University of Texas

PANEL 2. POLITICAL REPRESENTATIONS
Location: TCC 3.110
Moderator: Daniel Brinks, UT Dept. of Government

The Tupamaros: A Reflection of Uruguay's Political Culture
Chris Woodruff, University of Texas

Instituciones, orden jurídico y representaciones políticas en Colombia
Juan Sanchez Sierra, Virginia Tech

Restrição de abrangência ideológica da democracia e a não-consolidação de conteúdos de esquerda na América Latina
Camilo Negri, Universidade de Brasília

PANEL 3. DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
Location: TCC 3.120
Moderator: Gregory Knapp, UT Dept. of Geography and the Environment

Do Remittances Enhance Economic Growth through Consumption or Inversion?
Zulima Leal-Calderon, Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto Rio Piedras

Growth with Equity? The Chilean Experience during the Democratic Period
Laura Spagnolo, Alvaro Quezada-Hofflinger, and Viviana Salinas, University of Texas

Multinational Banking in Peru
Jorge Yi, Florida International University

Latin American Decentralization for the Twenty-First Century
Heidi Smith, Florida International University

PANEL 4. RACIAL IDENTITY FORMATION
Location: TCC 3.122
Moderator: TBA

Da Outra América: Gilberto Freyre's Racial Formation in the United States
Jonathan Square, University of Texas

Past the Politics of Black and White: Understanding Black-Latino Coalitions in the New South
Matthew Wooten, University of Texas

Racialized Endogamy in the Comunidad Israelita de Monterrey
Joseph Kolker, University of Texas

The King Is Naked: Media, Police, and Black Youth in the Contemporary Brazil
Jaime Alves, University of Texas

10:30–11:50 A.M.  SESSION 6
PANEL 1. EDUCATION AND RACE
Location: TCC 3.122
Moderator: TBA

Ethnic and Race Relations: Changes in the Brazilian Educational Policy
Andreia de Sousa, University of Texas

Banking White Supremacy: A Comparative Evaluation of Racism in Brazilian and United States Education Systems in the Twenty-First Century
Elizabeth Kennedy, University of Texas

Educación Bilingüe Intercultural (EBI) en el Perú, Siglo XXI
Melchor Huamán Cosi, Universidade Estadual de Campinas
Interracial Dynamics in Brazil’s Classrooms: Critical Pedagogical Shifts for the Creation of an Egalitarian Social Order through Law 10,639/03
Nora Deveny-Valiela, University of Texas

PANEL 2. MEDIA AND SOCIAL STRUGGLES IN ARGENTINA
Location: TCC 3.120
Moderator: Mercedes Lynn de Uriarte, UT Dept. of Journalism

The Argentinean Satirical Press, Post the 2001 Economic Crisis: The Case of Barcelona Magazine
Paul Alonso, University of Texas

Silence or Defiance? The Argentine Press during the “Proceso” of 1976–1983
Tim Samples, University of Texas

State-sponsored Violence in Argentina, 1930–1943
Roque Planas, Virginia Tech

PANEL 3. SOCIAL POLICY IN BRAZIL
Location: TCC 3.110
Moderator: Robert Wilson, UT LBJ School of Public Affairs

Perpectivas juvenis em Austin e Porto Alegre
Miriam Pereira Lemos, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

Mapeamento geoestatístico das áreas prioritárias para atuação de programas do Ministério da Saúde do Brasil em decorrência da queima de biomassa na região do “Arco do Desmatamento”
Marcel Pedroso, Universidade de Brasília

PANEL 4. TRADE, MARKETS, AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION
Location: TCC 3.108
Moderator: Chandler Stolp, UT LBJ School of Public Affairs

Vicente Amaral Bezerra, Universidade de Brasília

Domestic Politics and Regional Trade Agreements: How the United States and Brazil Bargain
Daniel Andrade, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco

UNASUR: Integración en el cono sur
Marcela Ganem, Universidad de Monterrey

Vigilância sanitária e regime multilateral de comércio: O sentido neoliberal da reforma do Estado brasileiro na década de 90
Renata Campos Motta, Universidade de Brasília–Campus Universitário Darcy Ribeiro

12:00–1:15 P.M. LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)

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Karen Engle, UT Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice

CLOSING ADDRESS
Dr. Carlos Gaviria

Dr. Gaviria is a Colombian lawyer, academic, and former magistrate. He is best known for his ground-breaking work as one of the drafters of Colombia’s 1991 Constitution, widely recognized as one of the most innovative efforts at institutional recognition of cultural differences, especially for Afro-Colombian and indigenous populations. As president and justice of the Colombian Constitutional Court, Dr. Gaviria played a key role in the implementation of legal pluralism in his country. Gaviria was also a candidate for Colombia’s presidency in 2006 and received 22 percent of the vote, second only to the incumbent, Álvaro Uribe. At present, Dr. Gaviria dedicates himself to the presidency of Colombia’s key opposition party, the Alternative Democratic Pole (PDA).
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