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## FROM THE EDITOR

*Dear SLAS Member,*

This January, attention is still focused on the efforts of the *Amigos para Venezuela* to resolve the serious confrontation between President Chaves and the opposition behind the strike, threatening the country's economy. The initiative took place at the time of the inauguration of Ecuador's President Gutierrez, and involves Brazil, the USA, Chile, Mexico, Spain and Portugal. It raises sharp questions about the relationship between national sovereignty and regional commitment to sustaining democratic government. Condemned by the Venezuelan opposition as illegitimate interference, the same efforts have been hailed as growing regional responsibility, not least on the part of Brazil, where Lula, seems set to continue the positive diplomacy which won praise under President Cardoso.

Whatever happens, all those wishing well for Venezuela and its neighbours must be cheered by the evidence of continuing regional collaboration. It is a salutary reminder of the idealism which often has shaped the work and careers of people in public life, which some accounts of Latin America too easily overlook.

A similar reminder came with news, in December, of the death of Orlando Villas-Boas, aged eighty-eight. He and his brother, Claudio, long struggled with the unresolved tension of contacting and protecting indigenous people and, thereby, exposing them to further threats and destruction. They, and others, such as medical doctor Noel Nutels, and anthropologist Darcy Ribeiro, created the Xingu National Park, with Orlando as its first Director, in 1969. Today, Brazil's indigenous people still face grave threats. They deserve to be a priority of the new government, but the indigenous population is growing and they also have a voice, which can be heard. The concern and commitment of Orlando Villas-Boas will best be honoured by being continued.

*Elizabeth Allen*

**PLEASE NOTE: IMPORTANT!!**  
**DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL ISSUE, NUMBER 75,**

**The last day will be midday on 14 March 2003,**  
**except for reports from the SLAS annual conference where the deadline**  
**will be the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2003.**

**Material and contributions:**

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Even if your news is only provisional, at that date, please send in your contribution and an address where readers can get in touch, nearer the time of the event, to check the details

**Recent virus attacks : please help.**

The *SLAS Newsletter* received a severe virus infection at the end of 2002, despite having a protection scheme installed. This was received through email attachments and took a great deal of time to clear, with many files being lost and the virus passed on inadvertently to others. We apologise for this.

Therefore, we would much appreciate your help to try and avoid this in the future.

***Please, wherever possible, include your material into the body of your Email. If you cannot do this, please run your material through a virus checking system before sending. We do hope you will understand and do your best to help us. Many thanks.***

**Deadline for material to be included in the October Issue of the *SLAS Newsletter*, Issue No. 76, will be midday on 12th September 2003.**

## **SLAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2003: CALL FOR CONVENORS, PANELS, & PAPERS**

The 2003 Annual Conference of the Society for Latin American Studies will take place at Hulme Hall in the University of Manchester, UK, from Friday 11th April until Sunday 13th April 2003. Further details will be posted to members and made available on the SLAS Website (<http://www.slas.org.uk>). They will also appear on latam-info. Dr Paul Cammack is the organiser, at the Department of Government, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL. tel: 0161 2754899. E-mail: [paul.cammack@man.ac.uk](mailto:paul.cammack@man.ac.uk). He would be pleased to receive proposals for whole symposia on any subject or theme related to Latin America, as well as any offer of papers.

### **SLAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2003 – AGREED PANELS**

#### **HULME HALL, MANCHESTER, 11-13 APRIL**

The following is the list of panels proposed and accepted for the 2003 SLAS conference. Individuals wishing to propose papers to these panels should contact the panel convenor direct.

#### **A ANDEAN-AMAZONIAN DIALOGUE.**

**Organiser: Tristan Platt and Adolfo de Oliveira, University of St Andrews.**

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As unifying themes, we invite papers to discuss ideas such as power, agency, influence, authority, equality and hierarchy as manifested in case studies of specific Andean, pie–de–monte and Amazonian groups. We will question the unreflective use of concepts such as “State”, “chiefdom”, “kingroup”, etc., as well as the unreflective use of analytical

divisions such as sociality/sociability (Strathern), performance/structure (Hymes), orality/literacy (Lévi–Strauss), reciprocity/redistribution (Polanyi/Murra), kinship/amity (Viveiros de Castro), etc. Contributors are invited to explore alternative routes, on the basis of ethnographic and historical case–studies, and we hope the symposium will permit comparisons between Andean and Amazonian ideas of insider/outsider, alliance/hostility, nature/culture, social/divine, myth/history, ‘cosmology’/the everyday, etc. The aim will be to try to create a common discursive ground and language in which to discuss these problems from a comparative perspective.

### **B ANTHROPOLOGY OF LATIN AMERICA: RECENT PERSPECTIVES.**

**Organiser: Peter Wade, Univ. of Manchester. Email: Peter.Wade@man.ac.uk**

This panel is open to anthropologists wishing to present recent work on any aspect of the anthropology of Latin America.

### **C BETWEEN PAST AND FUTURE: MEMORY AND RESTITUTION IN LATIN**

**AMERICA: Organiser: Ryan Long, Univ. of Oklahoma, Email: rlong@ou.edu**

Our panel explores the work of memory and the current conditions under which it is and can be deployed (for example, post-Tlatelolco Mexico, neoliberal Chile, and contemporary Argentina.) The panel papers engage with long standing debates that include positions such as the possibility of redeeming past generations through remembrance (Benjamin) and the proclamation that the tradition of dead generations weigh like a nightmare on the brain of the living (Marx). They also critically situate themselves within recent discussions about the surfeit of memory in contemporary intellectual discourse and the call for a return to radical secular history. Of particular concern is thinking through the

problems and possibilities of a politics of restitution. If nothing can compensate for the wrongs of the past, if the dead really are dead, then what is it that can be restituted? In other words how do we understand the debt that the present has with the past?

#### **D BRAZIL AFTER LULA'S VICTORY.**

**Organizer: Suranjit Saha, University of Swansea; Marcos Costa Lima, Federal University of Pernambuco, Brazil. E-mail: S.K.Saha@Swansea.ac.uk**

The panel is currently being organised, and offers of contributions are welcomed

#### **E CHALLENGES AND RESPONSES FOR WOMEN AND WOMEN'S MOVEMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA TODAY.**

**Organisers: Jasmine Gideon, Birkbeck College; Nikki Craske, Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Liverpool; Sarah Bradshaw, Middlesex University. Contact: Jasmine Gideon E- mail:j.gideon@bbk.ac.uk**

This panel is aimed at identifying what is really happening within Women's Movements today in Latin America and how women are responding to the new challenges that are emerging. It is divided into three subthemes: Masculinities (Nikki Craske); Globalisation (Jasmine Gideon); Women's movements (Sarah Bradshaw). We hope to encourage participation from activists as well as more theoretical analyses - informal presentations are strongly encouraged and the session will take the form of a workshop which will aim to build a picture of what is really going on.

## **F COLONIAL AND POST-COLONIAL LANDSCAPES OF LATIN AMERICA: EUROPEAN PERCEPTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

**Organizer: Heidi Victoria Scott, Newnham College, Cambridge. E-mail:  
heidivscott@hotmail.com**

Contributions are invited on Spanish or Portuguese America, focusing on the role that indigenous groups may have played in shaping European (either Spanish or other European) perceptions and representations of landscape, and how these perceptions/representations developed over time; the diversity of European understandings of landscape; European representations of the American tropics; moving beyond travel accounts - issues re. sources and methodologies in studying colonial and post-colonial landscapes and their portrayal; the significance of the study of landscape in understanding colonial and post-colonial relations.

## **G CONTEMPORARY VENEZUELA.**

**Organizer: David Raby, University of Liverpool. E-mail  
david.raby67@btopenworld.com**

The panel is currently being organised, and offers of contributions are welcomed.

## **H CRIME, PUNISHMENT AND THE BODY IN LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY**

**Organizer: Paulo Drinot, St Anthony's College, Oxford and Ernesto  
Bohoslavsky, Universidad Nacional de Comahue, Buenos Aires. Email:  
paulo.drinot@sant.ox.ac.uk**

This symposium will consider how crime, punishment and the body, and the ideas produced about them, have interacted in Latin American history, with

special emphasis on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Among other themes, the symposium will explore how criminology has been received, adopted and adapted in Latin America; the policies and institutions aimed at studying, preventing, repressing and 're-educating' delinquents; 'deviant' behaviour and the social, ethnic and gendered constructions of deviancy; conceptions of the body, 'criminal' or otherwise, and the ways in which bodies have been acted upon (confinement, torture, homicide, suicide, etc); and the relationship between politics and views on criminal activity, policing and the judiciary. Some of the topics to be considered include: Criminal, police and judiciary reforms; Homicide; Suicide; Infanticide; Rape; Corporal punishment; The death penalty; Sodomy; Forced labour; Prison regimes; Penal servitude; Torture; Honour and crime; Images of the criminal body

#### **I CUBAN FOREIGN POLICY DURING THE 'SPECIAL PERIOD.'**

**Organizer: John Kirk, Dalhousie University, Canada; Hal Klepak, Royal Military College of Canada. E-mail: kirk@is.dal.ca**

Current papers cover the internal politics of Cuba's external relations after 1991, policy towards Latin America, relations with Canada and Mexico, and Spanish policy towards Cuba under Aznar.

#### **J GENEALOGIES OF CULTURE IN NINETEENTH AND TWENTIETH CENTURY LATIN AMERICA. Organizers: Alberto Corsín Jiménez, Oxford Univ. and Trevor Stack, Univ. of Aberdeen. Email: t.stack@abdn.ac.uk**

This panel looks at the problems and possibilities involved in tracking cultural categories, their continuities and discontinuities, across time and space. In so

doing, we would like to re-evaluate older approaches, such as those of the contributors to Ohnuki-Tierney's volume *Culture Through Time* (Stanford UP, 1990). The panel will focus on the fate of cultural categories in the turbulent social waters of 19<sup>th</sup>- and 20<sup>th</sup>-century Latin America. We are interested in contributions that disentangle and elucidate the changes undergone by specific cultural idioms and categories. Papers proposed so far look at transformations in categories of personhood and landscape in 20<sup>th</sup>-century Chile and shifting ethnic categories in late 19<sup>th</sup>- and 20<sup>th</sup>-century west Mexico. We are hoping to present a wide range of perspectives, so the panel is open to anthropologists, historians, literary critics, political scientists, and others.

**K HOW 'NEW' ARE THE 'NEW' CHILEANS? MODERNITY, CONSUMERISM AND CULTURAL CHANGE IN CONTEMPORARY CHILE**

**Organizers: David Hojman, University of Liverpool; Patricio Silva, University of Leiden, Netherlands. E-mail: [jl33@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:jl33@liverpool.ac.uk)**

Six papers have been offered, and further offers are welcomed

**L INDIGENOUS LITERATURES**

**Organizer: R. McKenna Brown, Virginia Commonwealth University. Email: [mbrown@saturn.vcu.edu](mailto:mbrown@saturn.vcu.edu)**

This panel is currently being organised, and contributions from all perspectives are welcome to explore topics such as: particular writers, texts or genres; emerging and re-emerging literatures in both oral and written media; literatures within their social, political and cultural contexts, including revitalization

movements; issues of access and control, including literacy and translation; and the encounter of the indigenous and non-indigenous worlds in indigenous texts.

### **M INTELLECTUAL TRADITIONS IN LATIN AMERICA**

**Organizer: Lorenzo Cañas Bottos, University of Manchester. Email:**

**lorenzo.canas-bottos@stud.man.ac.uk**

This panel contributes to the increasing dialogue between social sciences/ humanities discourses about Latin America and those from Latin America. It will analyse the development of local intellectual disciplinary traditions, histories, genealogies and/or debates; question the relationship between the context of intellectual production and intellectual enquiry, and explore networks of readership, citation, and influence.

### **N LATIN AMERICA IN THE CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL POLITICAL**

**ECONOMY Organizer: Paul Cammack, University of Manchester. E-mail:**

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The panel is currently being organised, and contributions from all perspectives with political economy/IPE are welcomed – whether comparative or theoretical, or country case studies.

### **O HISTORIES OF RESISTANCE IN THE AMERICAS**

**Organizer: Patience Schell, Natalie Zacek, University of Manchester. E-mail:**

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The history of the Americas is a history of resistance to state and national projects, particular when they restricted sovereignty, damaged local economies

or challenged established cultural or religious norms. Official national histories throughout the region have dismissed these resistance movements, often using terminology such as 'barbarism' or 'reactionary' to silence their criticism and defuse their political power. Yet recent historical scholarship, focusing on the subaltern, has sought to emphasise the historical role of marginalised groups. The presenters in this stream, using the theme of resistance, examine historical actors who do not necessarily fall into easy categories of 'subaltern'. Actors under study range from West Indian planters attempting to evade metropolitan domination while creating a white settler political culture and national identity, to Mexican Catholics challenging revolutionary ideas of the nation as a secular body through social action programmes. Using cultures of resistance, people in the Americas have asserted themselves against the seemingly monolithic power of white hegemony, resisting or offering alternative forms of 'modernity', while trying to create their own political and cultural space.

#### **P NINETEENTH-CENTURY LATIN AMERICA: GENDER, HISTORY, TEXT**

**Organizer: Catherine Davies, University of Manchester, UK. E-mail:**  
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The panel is currently being organised, and offers to contribute are welcomed.

#### **Q PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURE**

**Organizer: Victoria Carpenter, University of Derby. E-mail:**  
**V.Carpenter@derby.ac.uk**

The panel is currently being organised, and offers of contributions are welcomed.

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**R PHOTOGRAPHY AND THE LATIN AMERICAN IMAGINARY****Organizer: John Perivolaris, University of Manchester. E-mail:****john.perivolaris@ntlworld.com**

The panel will show the way photography has shaped views of Latin American history, society, and culture.

**S PUBLIC POLICIES IN MEXICO AFTER DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION AND ECONOMIC REFORM****Organizer: Vidal Llerenas, Arcelia Martinez,****University of York. E-mail: llerenasvidal@hotmail.com**

Topics currently include urban politics, health, tourism, women's empowerment through education, and decentralisation. Further contributions are welcomed.

**T RETHINKING DEMOCRATIZATION IN LATIN AMERICA****Organizer: Adam Morton, University of Lancaster; Terrie Groth, University****of Brasilia, Brazil. E-mail: a.morton@lancaster.ac.uk**

Democracy is back in style among both Latin American autocrats and northern hemisphere political scientists. But what kind of democracy is imagined? What kind of state will be fashioned both to reflect and guarantee a democratic and just society? What are the contours and contradictions that capitalism in Latin America imposes on the democratic state? This panel enjoins major specialists from the US and the UK to evaluate these questions in comparative and critical perspective. Current contributions cover comparative and thematic topics, and case studies of Colombia and Mexico

**U SEX AND TRAVEL: TRANSATLANTIC FICTIONS****Organizer: Gabriel Giorgi, Univ. of S. California E-mail: [giorgi@usc.edu](mailto:giorgi@usc.edu)**

The connections between sexuality and travel have been repeatedly pointed out. Travel is frequently an occasion for sexual exploration, a bodily 'encounter with the other'; at the same time, it takes place upon social and gender-sexual restrictions, determining who travels, to where, and under what conditions. In this panel we want to discuss the mutual implication of sexuality and travel in the context of another reciprocity, that one between Latin America and Spain. The 'Atlantic', thus, is the setting for a circulation of sexualized bodies and their cultural narratives; our goal is to read that circulation in connection to sexual and gender identities that challenge both normative sexual codes and traditional national identities.

**V SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA: EXPERIENCES, PROBLEMS, AND THE POTENTIAL FOR NETWORKING BEYOND STATE BOUNDARIES****Organizer: Ulrich Oslender, University of Glasgow. E-mail: [uoslender@geog.gla.ac.uk](mailto:uoslender@geog.gla.ac.uk)**

The adoption of new national constitutions in some Latin American countries has opened new spaces of political mobilisation for social actors. Furthermore, networking and alliance-building, both within and beyond a particular state's boundaries, have become important strategies for social movements, as exemplified by the annual staging of the World Social Forum in Porto Alegre, Brazil, since 2001. With this in mind, this session seeks to critically examine the current state of social movement organising in Latin America and to explore a broad range of experiences of social mobilisations. Both conceptual papers and

those presenting more empirical case studies in the light of wider regional or global processes are welcome. In particular it is hoped that papers will explore the potential for networking between social movements of different countries in Latin America. Movements to be analysed should include, but are not restricted to, struggles over ethnicity, gender, land rights, labour, human rights, environment, neighbourhood

**W TRUTH AND FICTION: MODERNITY, CONFLICT AND RECONCILIATION IN PERU. Organizer: Wendy Coxshall, University of Manchester. E-mail: la\_cobrita@hotmail.com**

This panel examines multiculturalism and national integration as goals of state-backed modernizing projects in Peru, and their implications for ongoing discussions regarding 'conflict' and 'reconciliation' in the wake of civil war and intense political violence. Taking into account the legacies of indigenist discourses and counter-discourses of mestizaje/criolloismo, the panel will explore the efforts to develop intercultural and multicultural political dialogue. Particular attention will be given to the importance of education as a means of social, economic, cultural and ethnic empowerment and "improvement" and the implications for gender in the Andes. The panel will consider, on the one hand, the creative ways in which different Andean peoples attempt to achieve empowerment through engagements with the state and state interventions and, on the other hand, it will explore Andean peoples' experiences of empowerment through alternative forms of participation that might achieve social cohesion outside of the state, such as through the Evangelical Church.

## SLAS MEMBERS NEWS 2002

**CATERINA PIZZIGONI** has been appointed Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Institute of Latin American Studies, London. She is carrying out research on everyday life of indigenous women of the Toluca Valley (central Mexico), 1650-1780, using mainly testaments written in Nahuatl. Her research interests are cultural interactions between indigenous and Hispanic populations in colonial Latin America, principally Mexico; gender issues and everyday life in indigenous communities; Nahuatl language. In October 2002, she presented a paper at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, in Quebec City, Canada; and another at a conference on 'Meso-american Ethnohistory and Philology', in UCLA Los Angeles, USA. The latter will be published in a book on alternative sources for ethnohistory in Latin America (Stanford University Press).  
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**SYLVIA CHANT** (LSE) has been awarded a three-year Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship starting 1 Oct 2003 for comparative research on gender, poverty and development with particular reference to inter-generational and household dynamics. The case study countries are Costa Rica, The Gambia and The Philippines. The award provides for a replacement lecturer for three years, and the post will be advertised in the next few months.

**RACHEL SIEDER** recently edited a book on *Multiculturalism in Latin America: Indigenous Rights, Diversity and Democracy* (Palgrave Press, 2002). Email: [rachel.sieder@sas.ac.uk](mailto:rachel.sieder@sas.ac.uk)

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**JENS R HENTSCHE** (Newcastle) has been elected as a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and been promoted to Senior Lecturer. This year he has taken over as Degree Programme Director for Latin American Studies and Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies at Newcastle. He received an AHRB Research Leave award which allowed him to write a first complete draft of his book project on Vargas's reforms in primary and secondary education, an article on the long-term impact of Castilhismo on state & nation-building in Brazil, and his paper on German and Italian immigration to Rio Grande do Sul for the SLAS conference in Norwich. Jens also submitted a book chapter on the British and American debate on neopopulism in Latin America which will be published in Germany next year. His analysis of the origins of state interventionism in Brazil appeared in "Brasil. Perspectivas Internacionais" (Universidade Metodista de Piracicaba). "Estado de Sao Paulo" interviewed him on this topic and UNIMEP's Politics journal "Impulso" (Nr. 31) printed an extended version of this interview under the title "A era Vargas e os seus legados a longo prazo". Jens was also interviewed on the recent presidential elections by "Folha de Sao Paulo" and delivered an invited paper ("The Search for Alternatives in Brazil's Transition from Monarchy to Republic") on the most interesting symposium "Brazil in the American Context at the End of the 19th Century" organised by Ibero-American Institute in Berlin. The publication is scheduled for the end of 2003. Earlier this year he organised a week-end seminar on "Populism and Neopopulism in Russia, the U.S. and Latin America" at Heidelberg and he is preparing another such seminar on "The Long-Term Impact of the Great Depression on the Political Systems of Canada, the U.S. and Latin America" to be held in January 2003.

**VANESSA KNIGHTS** (University of Newcastle) has been invited by the Smithsonian Institution to be a panelist at a conference entitled 'Bolero: The Romantic Song in the Americas' to be held in Washington, D.C. on November 7-9, 2002 at the institution's Dillon Ripley Center. The conference will continue the institution's efforts to educate and expand Latin music audiences and to diffuse information on scholarship in the field. The conference will bring to the institution national and international scholars, writers and performers of boleros to offer lectures, concerts and performances, and special presentations highlighting the history and impact of the bolero in the different countries of the Americas. She

has also been awarded a British Academy small grant to finance a research trip to San Juan to study Puerto Rican identity formation in the bolero. Her visit will be hosted by the Institute of Caribbean Studies of the University of Puerto Rico.

**MARTA ZABALETA:** Concluida la gira de verano con la que celebre mis 65 cumpleaños y el retiro de mi tarea de profesora con un exito muy halagador en las actividades que habia planeado con muchos de ustedes, y sin cuyo apoyo aquello no hubiero sido posible; habiendo saboreado el triunfo de mi amiga y asesora Consuelo Rivera; luego de ver mi nuevo 'libro' aceptado con regocijo por mis co-autoras y editor. Me apresto a aceptar vuestros trabajos para mis numerosos seminarios futuros. La primera prioridad es mandarme su propuesta para los dos del ICA 51, en Santiago. La segunda, inscribirse para abril del 2002 en la SLAS., aqui en Inglaterra. Se aceptan sugerencias tematicas. Aunque el centro sera Argentina Potencia hasta la extenuacion.

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## **SLAS PRIZES & GRANTS AVAILABLE**

### **1. HAROLD BLAKEMORE ESSAY PRIZE 2003 AWARD**

The Society for Latin American Studies invites current or recent postgraduates of British Universities to submit an essay for consideration for the Harold Blakemore Prize. The generosity of the many donors to the memorial fund administered by the Society means that the prize is £200. The subject of the essay should fall within the field of Latin American Studies and the work should not have been published elsewhere. Essays submitted in previous years should not be resubmitted, and former winners of the prize may not apply. The winning essay may be considered by the Editors for publication in the *Bulletin of Latin American Research*.

Two copies of the essay, which should be double-spaced and no more than 8,000 words in length, should be submitted to the President of the Society by 31st January 2003. A panel of judges for the prize will be appointed by the Executive Committee of the Society at the University of Manchester, at the SLAS

Annual conference 11-13 April 2003. Contact Dr. Will Fowler, President, Society for Latin American Studies, Dept. of Spanish, St. Salvator's College, University of St. Andrews, Fife, KY16 9AL, Tel: 01334 476161, Fax: 01334 463 677, e-mail: wmf1@st-and.ac.uk

## **2. SLAS GRANTS: POSTGRADUATES ATTENDING CONFERENCES 2003**

The SLAS Committee is pleased to inform postgraduate members that £500 has been made available on an annual basis to assist them to attend conferences in those cases where all other possibilities of having their expenses paid have been exhausted. To be eligible, you must be: a member of SLAS; a current postgraduate student at a UK university; and giving a paper to the conference.

A grant will only be made towards the cost of travelling from the country of the university where you are registered (i.e. not to the conference from another country). Please note that funds are limited and that SLAS can only offer a contribution towards expenses. Send an original and one copy of each of the following: an abstract of the paper; a breakdown of estimated costs and a statement of any financial support already available; a letter of support from your supervisor.

These documents should be submitted to the Secretary of SLAS and will be considered at a meeting of the SLAS Committee or an appropriate sub-committee. There are two deadlines for applications every year: the 28th of February and the 30th of September. A maximum of £250 will be allocated to applications after each deadline. The SLAS Committee is pleased to inform postgraduate members that around £500 has been made available to assist them to attend conferences in those cases where all other possibilities of having their expenses paid have been exhausted.

To be eligible you must be: a member of SLAS; a current graduate student at a UK university; and giving a paper at the conference. Please note that funds are limited and SLAS can offer only a *contribution* to expenses. Send an original and one copy of each of the following: an abstract of the paper; a breakdown on the

estimated costs; a letter of reference from your supervisor; a statement of any financial support already available.

The deadline for applications to be submitted to the Secretary, for due consideration by a sub-committee that will include the President, the Vice President and the Treasurer, for conferences taking place between April 2002 and March 2003, will be *Friday 28 February 2002*.

### **3. SLAS GRANTS: POSTGRADS TRAVELLING TO LATIN AMERICA IN 2003**

SLAS is to make between five and eight annual awards to postgraduate students in Latin American Studies to encourage and assist in overseas fieldwork. It is aimed at those preparing for a Ph.D in topics related to Latin American Studies. Applicants should be based at a UK institution of higher education, but may be of any nationality. The criteria for the award are: quality of project design; potential significance of the research; support from referees; and financial need.

There is no application form, but an outline of the proposed research (max. 500 words); a contact address and telephone numbers; details of qualifications and affiliations; and full details of existing or expected financial support, must be included, with three copies of each submission. Applicants must also ensure that two academic referees (one would normally be from the supervisor) arrive by the Friday 15 March 2002 deadline. Please note that incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Completed applications will be judged by a panel composed of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the society and the result notified during the Annual SLAS Conference. Faxed applications will not be accepted. The Award must be spent on travel costs. The successful candidate is required to provide a short report for the SLAS Newsletter. The awards for the year 2003 are expected to be £600 each. Applications and references must be received by 28 February 2003 by the SLAS Secretary.

#### **4. SLAS GRANTS FOR LATIN AMERICAN SCHOLARS**

The SLAS Committee is pleased to inform members considering convening symposia at the forthcoming SLAS Conference in Manchester, that £2000 has been made available to assist Latin American scholars intending on attending and participating at the event. The aim of this SLAS Grant is to enable *Latin American scholars in the early stages of their career and who have been invited to give a paper at the SLAS Annual Conference to attend the event once all other possibilities of having their expenses paid have been exhausted.*

This grant may involve covering the travel expenses and conference fee. It may limit itself to simply covering the Conference fee, depending on circumstances. It will be the Convenors' responsibility to decide whether there are any Latin American scholars who need a SLAS Grant in order to give a paper at their sessions. And it will be the Convenors' responsibility to prepare an application for a "SLAS Grant for Latin American Scholars" to be submitted to the Secretary who, together with the President, the Vice President and the Treasurer will decide whether each particular case merits the award of the grant or not.

To be eligible the Latin American scholar must be a member of SLAS; in the early stages of his/her career; giving an invited paper at the SLAS Conference; and in financial need. The Convenors must ensure that the applications for a SLAS Grant for Latin American Scholars reach the Secretary by *28 January 2003*.

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### **SIXTH ANNUAL PILAS CONFERENCE, 25-26 January 2003**

**Department of Politics & International Studies**

**University of Warwick**

We welcome proposals for papers and ideas for panels from all postgraduate students working on *Latin America and the Caribbean*. All subjects and disciplines welcome. This is a unique opportunity and an ideal venue for

postgraduate students to present their ongoing research in a well informed and supporting environment and to meet other students in similar areas of research.

Please send title and a short abstract to Sean Burges at:

[pilasuk2002@yahoo.com](mailto:pilasuk2002@yahoo.com). The deadline for submission is Friday 20 December 2002. (If you miss the deadline, submit just in case there is still space). The deadline for payment of the conference fee will be announced when costs are confirmed. Venue: The conference will be held at the University of Warwick with the assistance of the Department of Politics and International Studies. Please note that the University of Warwick is in COVENTRY, not Warwick.

Cost: Registration fees have yet to be confirmed, but at present the hope is that the conference fee for SLAS members will be £15.00, which will include lunch and tea/coffee on both days. Non SLAS members who wish to attend will have to join the Society, which costs £11.00 if you live in the UK (More details on membership can be found on the Blackwell Publishing web page.) With luck we will be able to find Warwick postgrads willing to provide a couch/floor for conference attendees. For more information on SLAS go to:

<http://www.slas.org.uk>. and on PILAS and updates on the conference, go to:

<http://www.warwick.ac.uk/society/PILAS/top.htm>

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### **INFORMATION ABOUT BLAR UNTIL 2007**

I have just signed the addendum to our contract with Blackwell Publishing. Our agreement with them will be extended for a further two years, to cover the publication of BLAR Volumes 25 and 26 in 2006 and 2007. Blackwell agree to

make a financial contribution to SLAS of £3,000 in 2003, which shall be increased annually from 2004, to assist us with our editorial expenses, giving BLAR a permanent home at the Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Liverpool. A cheque for £3,000 will be reaching our Treasurer shortly who will then liaise with the Director of ILAS, Liverpool, over the amounts that need to be paid into the respective University account. This may include any additional costs that may arise from the part-time clerical officer's salary having increased since 1 August 2002, and the £1500 - £2000 the Committee agreed to offer the Institute to cover the start-up costs.

**Will Fowler, SLAS President.**

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### **CALL FOR REVIEWERS FOR BLAR:**

If anyone is interested in writing book reviews for BLAR, please could they let the Reviews Editor know, specifying discipline/countries/particular areas of interest. Email: [Nicola.Miller@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:Nicola.Miller@ucl.ac.uk). Also, if anyone has a particular expertise on web-sites relating to Latin America, we would welcome a regular feature reviewing those. Again, if interested, please contact Nicola Miller.

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### **CONFERENCE NEWS AND REPORTS**

#### **(1) 1V WISPS Conference, Liverpool, 13th & 14th June 2003**

The fourth annual conference of WISPS (Women in Spanish, Portuguese & Latin American Studies) will take place at the University of Liverpool on 13th & 14th June 2003. Speakers will include Dr. Rikki Morgan-Tamosunas (Film Studies)

and Dr. Hilary Owen (Portuguese Studies). Likely panels will include: stars of film and music, masculinities and cross-cultural studies. For further details contact either Jill Ingham, University of Wolverhampton, email: [jillingham@wlv.ac.uk](mailto:jillingham@wlv.ac.uk) or Dr. Claire Williams, University of Liverpool, email: [cleliwil@liv.ac.uk](mailto:cleliwil@liv.ac.uk)

**(2) 51 ICA: RE-THINKING THE AMERICAS AT THE THRESHOLD OF THE TWENTIFIRST CENTURY, Universidade de Chile, official website: <http://www.uchile.cl/vaa/americanista> (see also last issue of the SLAS NEWSLETTER)**

**(3) Call For Papers: Democracy in Latin America Thirty Years After Chile's 9/11. State University of New York at Albany, October 10-12, 2003**

Deadline for receipt of proposals is January 20, 2003. The Department of Latin American and Caribbean Studies at the State University of New York at Albany will host a conference *titled Democracy in Latin America Thirty Years After Chile's 9/11* dedicated to exploring the contradictions of official discourses on the process of democratization not only in Chile, but also in the rest of Latin America. Its aim is to inquire how contestatory voices from the realms of culture (media), literature, address human rights issues (broadly conceived), and the economy evidencing the incoherencies in the official story. Possible topics include: Democracy and Public Policy; The Effects of Global-ization; Neoliberal Economics and the Post-Washington Consensus; Human Rights Violations in the 70's and Now; Participation of Women in the Democratic Process; Literary Representations of Post-dictatorship Southern Cone; Politics and Pop-Culture; The Role of the Media; and Cinematic Representation of Political Changes. The

conference will be held at the University at Albany (SUNY) October 10-12, 2003. Please send one-page proposals in English or Spanish to: Prof. Fernando Leiva ([fleiva@albany.edu](mailto:fleiva@albany.edu)) or Prof. Silvia Nagy-Zekmi ([sng@albany.edu](mailto:sng@albany.edu)) Department of Latin American and Caribbean Studies Social Sciences 250, State University of New York, Albany, NY 12222, Phone: (518) 442-4890, Fax: 518-442-4790.

**(4) Conference : Encontro sobre memoria e historia dos afro-brasileiros e afro-americanos**

The Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, together with the American Consulate of Rio de Janeiro and the Library of Congress, Rio de Janeiro, is hosting the seminar Resistencia e Inclusao: Encontro sobre Memoria e Historia dos Afro-Brasileiros e Afro-Americanos. Please see the site at <http://www.puc-rio.br/resistenciaeinclusao>. Elda Mulholland, Diretora da DBD, PUC-Rio, [elda@dbd.puc-rio.br](mailto:elda@dbd.puc-rio.br), Tel : 3114-1090, Fax : 3114-1091

**(5) UNDECIMO CONGRESO INTERNACIONAL DE LITERATURA**

**CENTROAMERICANA CILCA XI, San José, Costa Rica, 5 7 marzo, 2003**

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E-mail [roman@calumet.purdue.edu](mailto:roman@calumet.purdue.edu) Incluir los siguientes datos: estado/país de procedencia, institución, dirección postal y electrónica así como otra información

relevante. SEDE DE ACTIVIDADES, Instalaciones del Centro Nacional de la Cultura (CENAC), Ministerio de Cultura, Juventud y Deportes.

ACTIVIDADES. Como es habitual, las sesiones de trabajo se llevarán a cabo del 5 al 7 de marzo 2003 de 8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. Después de estas horas serán los recitales de poetas, narradores y dramaturgos, los eventos culturales, entregas de libros, etc. La exposición y venta de libros funcionará durante los tres días del Congreso. El cóctel de bienvenida será la noche del martes 4 y la inauración se llevará a cabo el miércoles 5 por la mañana. Contacto : Erendira Ayala [ayala@calumet.purdue.edu](mailto:ayala@calumet.purdue.edu)

#### **(6) IV Congreso Europeo CEISAL de Latinoamericanistas**

##### **Desafíos Sociales en América Latina en el Siglo XXI, Bratislava Julio 2004**

Fecha límite para presentar propuestas de simposios : 31 de marzo de 2003

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CONGRESO A comienzos del siglo XXI, pasado apenas un par de años desde el momento en que atravesamos sus simbólicos umbrales, el tema del IV Congreso Europeo CEISAL de Latinoamericanistas que versa sobre los desafíos sociales en América Latina se nos presenta dentro de un escenario menos optimista que el del período anterior. La vía hacia la deseada equidad y justicia social parece estar más erizada de obstáculos y los endémicos problemas sociales latino-americanos - pobreza, exclusión social, brecha entre los segmentos ricos y pobres- distan todavía mucho de ser eliminados. Más aún: están proliferando previsiones pesimistas según las cuales el descontento y desilusión sociales pueden amenazar seriamente los procesos de modernización económica y

democratización política transcurridos en el subcontinente en las décadas de los 80 y 90 del siglo pasado. Europa tampoco está exenta de tensiones y desequilibrios de distinta índole los cuales -lo mismo aquí que allá- constituyen focos potenciales de inestabilidad y conflicto. La búsqueda de las causas y efectos de las cuestiones sociales planteadas conduce necesariamente al estudio del complejo entramado de fenómenos y procesos sociales, económicos, políticos y culturales.

Así, los imaginarios límites del tema del congreso se dilatan hacia una acepción más amplia de la voz "social", a la de desafíos de la sociedad . Desde luego, éstos se prestan al estudio, examen y análisis tanto desde el punto de vista interno de los distintos países o regiones, como en sus múltiples relaciones externas. En otros casos puede resultar revelador el estudio de las raíces pasadas, o, en cambio, de los posibles efectos futuros de los fenómenos examinados. Los desafíos planteados por la sociedad son, a la vez, desafíos planteados ante la sociedad como tareas a resolver.

Una fuente inagotadora, rica y prometedora que puede echar luz sobre los diferentes "problemas sociales" y "problemas de la sociedad" en general, que puede ayudar en la búsqueda de soluciones -tanto en América Latina como en Europa- es un mayor conocimiento mutuo, intercambio de experiencias entre ambas partes, en fin, un diálogo multifacético y una cooperación "real" en todos los ámbitos de la vida y "leal", es decir, basada en los valores tales como solidaridad y cooperación.

Por esta razón, el congreso pretende convertirse en un foro que también contribuya con su grano de arena al designio de fortalecer las relaciones mutuas expresado en las cumbres de Europa, América Latina y el Caribe en Rio de Janeiro y Madrid. El IV Congreso Europeo CEISAL de Latinoamericanistas va a facilitar una plataforma para el análisis, reflexión y debate sobre los más diversos aspectos e implicaciones del temario arriba expresado desde el punto de vista de las distintas áreas de las ciencias sociales, económicas y de las humanidades. Serán bienvenidas ponencias e intervenciones enfocadas desde disciplinas específicas, así como enfoques multi- e inter-disciplinarios.

Huelga decir que los trabajos comparativos pueden traer ideas de especial interés de cara al proceso de fortalecimiento de las relaciones entre América Latina y Europa. Una preocupación constante manifestada en los Congresos Europeos CEISAL de Latinoamericanistas es también la promoción de los estudios latinoamericanos entre la joven generación. Por lo mismo, formará parte del Congreso el Concurso de Jóvenes Latinoamericanistas cuyos reglamentos serán publicados en la próxima circular y en la página web del congreso.

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## **La RED AGUILA EN LINEA - AGRICULTURA URBANA**

AGUILA es una red de instituciones, investigadores y promotores que trabajan en el campo de la Agricultura Urbana en América Latina y el Caribe. La RED fue fundada en abril de 1995 a partir de un Seminario Internacional realizado en La Paz, Bolivia, en el cual participaron 44 invitados de diferentes disciplinas e instituciones representando instituciones de desarrollo, universidades y organizaciones de cooperación internacional de 18 países de la Región. No es hasta enero de 1997 que se inicio el funcionamiento de la Red con el patrocinio de ETC-Andes y el financiamiento para la Secretaría Ejecutiva del Centro Internacional de Investigaciones para el Desarrollo (CIID) (International Development Research Centre (IDRC)) de Canadá.

Misión de la Red AGUILA: Unir y articular esfuerzos de las entidades que fomentan la Agricultura Urbana en América Latina y el caribe, a través de acciones de investigación, comunicación, capacitación, gestión, intercambio y cooperación. Líneas de trabajo fundamentales de la Red son: Información y comunicación; Investigación interinstitucional; Capacitación y educación; Fortalecimiento institucional; Políticas y estrategias; Relaciones inter-redes Movilización de recursos.

¿Agricultura Urbana? Conceptos de Agricultura Urbana: La Agricultura Urbana (AU) está ubicada dentro (intra-urbana) o en la periferia (peri-urbana) de un pueblo, una ciudad o una metrópoli, y cultiva o cría, procesa y distribuye una diversidad de productos alimentarios y no alimentarios, (re)utilizando en gran medida recursos humanos y materiales, productos y servicios que se encuentran

en y alrededor de dicha zona urbana, y a su vez provee recursos humanos y materiales, productos y servicios en gran parte a esa misma zona urbana. (Luc Mougeot, IDRC, 1999) Llamamos Agricultura Urbana a la practica agrícola y pecuaria en las ciudades, que por iniciativa de los productores/as afincados muchas veces en los barrios marginales, villorios, favelas, rancherías, barriadas y/o pueblos jóvenes y periurbanos, colindantes a las ciudades; utilizan los mismos recursos locales, como mano de obra, espacios, agua y desechos sólidos orgánicos y químicos, así como servicios, con el fin de generar productos de autocosumo y también destinados a la venta en el mercado. (Marco Conceptual de la AU, Red Aguila, 1999)

Dentro del concepto de Agricultura Urbana, se consideran varias modalidades de intervención: de reciclaje, producción, transformación y comercialización

Modalidades de Intervención: De Reciclaje y Re-uso El manejo, reciclaje y uso de residuos sólidos y líquidos con fines productivos

De producción: La producción agrícola (cereales, horticultura, aromáticas y medicinales, y fruticultura) La producción de árboles, para la provisión de alimentos, madera y combustibles La producción de flores y plantas ornamentales La hidroponía y piscicultura La producción pecuaria (crianza de animales menores y mayores) y la apicultura

De transformación y comercialización: La transformación de cosechas en diversos productos terminados La comercialización y distribución de los productos en mercados locales o regionales. La Agricultura Urbana puede contribuir al desarrollo sustentable de las ciudades en los siguientes aspectos:

**ELIMINAR LA POBREZA URBANA** Producir (parte de) sus propios alimentos y reducir sus gastos en comprar alimentos, Mejorar la seguridad alimentaria (disponibilidad y acceso a productos , agrícolas de suficiente calidad y cantidad), Generar ingreso y empleo en actividades agrícolas Disminuir el riesgo de conflictos, desastres naturales, guerras y aumento de precios (alimentos, combustible), para que los hogares mas pobres sean mas independientes

**MEJORAR EL AMBIENTE URBANO** y crear un ambiente más saludable, diverso y agradable, Incrementar, recuperar y conservar las áreas verdes, Manejar adecuadamente y reciclar los desechos orgánicos y aguas residuales, Ahorrar uso de recursos no-renovables (energía) estimulando la producción local, gastando menos en transporte, almacenamiento y enfriamiento Promoción del uso de suelo multifuncional y la estética del paisaje urbanístico

**PROMOVER UNA GOBERNABILIDAD PARTICIPATIVA**, Fomentar una nueva dinámica de trabajo inter-institucional, donde la acción municipal tradicionalmente paternalista se convierta en una gestión urbana descentralizada, donde actividades de producción y comercialización están incorporadas en planes de uso de suelo y legislación urbana. Incrementar la identidad y responsabilidad individual y comunitaria con respecto al entorno y su gestión Rescatar la cultura tradicional y el contacto social Reinsertar al trabajo productivo a las mujeres, las personas de tercera edad, jóvenes y niños discapacitados (inclusión social).

<http://www.ipes.org/aguilaintroduccion.htm>. **Mario Gonzalez Novo**,

**Secretario Ejecutivo Red AGUILA - email : [aguila@ipes.org.pe](mailto:aguila@ipes.org.pe)**

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### **Guía de Archivos de los Ministerios de Relaciones Exteriores de los Países Ibero-americanos.**

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LEZALDE PÉREZ-GRUESO, M<sup>a</sup> Dolores; Economía e Historia en las Filipinas Españolas: Memorias y Bibliografía. Siglos XVI-XX. Madrid: Fundación MAPFRE TAVERA, 2002. ISBN: 84-8479-026-6.

MONTIEL, Edgar; El Nuevo Orden Simbólico / A Nova Ordem Simbólica. Madrid: Fundación MAPFRE TAVERA; Secretaría de Cooperación Iberoamericana, 2002. ISBN: 84-8479-032-0.

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## **THE COFFEE CRISIS IN CONTEXT [Eldis Feature Article]**

**3 October 2002** [eldisnews@lyris.ids.ac.uk](mailto:eldisnews@lyris.ids.ac.uk)

ELDIS have produced a special feature on the coffee crisis and Oxfam's recent report, 'Mugged: poverty in your coffee cup'. The Oxfam report has raised the profile of the debate concerning the crisis and has generated a substantial media and industry response in recent weeks. Oxfam reports on the negative impact on farming families, coffee traders and national economies as a result of the 50% decline in coffee prices over the last three years. They call on roasters to:

\*pay a decent price to farmers

\*reduce the coffee supply on the market through minimum quality standards and destruction of stock

\*provide a fund to help farmers shift to alternative livelihoods

increase their commitment to fair trade

The feature includes an ELDIS interview with one of the big four coffee roasters, Proctor and Gamble, as well as links to relevant documents, organisations, news stories and other resources to put Oxfam's arguments and the coffee crisis in context. To access the ELDIS Coffee Crisis Feature and resources, go to:

<http://www.eldis.org/csr/coffee.htm>

TO RECEIVE COFFEE CRISIS DOCUMENTS BY EMAIL To help those of you with limited or no access to the Internet, we are testing an automated service to deliver documents by email via a web-to-email service. To request the coffee crisis documents to be sent to you as an email message send an email to:

[www4mail@ftp.uni-stuttgart.de](mailto:www4mail@ftp.uni-stuttgart.de) For the Oxfam report, 'Mugged: Poverty in your coffee cup' leave the subject field blank and the only text of your message should be: get <http://www.maketradefair.com/assets/english/mugged.pdf>

For the Eldis interview with Proctor and Gamble leave the subject field blank and the only text of your message should be: get

<http://www.eldis.org/csr/P&Ginterview.htm>

If Eldis receives enough requests we will be happy to compile a list of all the coffee crisis feature documents so that they can be requested by email message.

Please contact Anna Marriott at [a.marriott@ids.ac.uk](mailto:a.marriott@ids.ac.uk) for more information.

ELDIS currently includes descriptions and links to over 3500 organisations and over 6000 full-text online documents covering development and environmental

issues. It can be searched or browsed free over the Internet. ELDIS is funded by Danida, Norad and Sida, and hosted by the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK. If you would like to receive one of our other 30 subject-focussed bulletins regularly (for free), you can register from our web page, or just email to this address. Contact details: Anna Marriott ELDIS Programme at the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, Brighton BN1 9RE, UK. Email:

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## CALLS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAPERS

1. **GUARAGUAO** wishes to announce the publication of its latest issue, which has been coordinated by its Editorial Group at the Centre of Latin American Research, University of Glasgow. You can also visit Guaraguao's recently redesigned website at [www.guaraguao.org](http://www.guaraguao.org) for more information on the journal. **NÚMERO 15 MONOGRÁFICO SOBRE MÚSICA POPULAR LATINO-AMERICANA.** Se incluyendo ensayos sobre: La música en la vida cotidiana. Simon Frith; Surrealismo y son. Timothy Brennan La música popular de Brasil: La experiencia negra y la samba. David Treece Jugándose la feminidad en los clubes de tango de Buenos Aires. Marta Savigliano. Entrevista con Horacio Salinas.
2. **FEMINIST REVIEW:** Special issue on ' Rethinking Gender and National Independence: Latin America' (2005). Guest editor: Catherine Davies. Feminist Review is soliciting critical essays for the above special issue, due to be

published in early 2005. Deadline for submission of essays is December 2003. Each essay will be read by two external referees and a decision regarding publication based on their reports. About 10 essays are needed, including some contemporary pieces. Dialogue pieces and book reviews are also welcome. Although *Feminist Review* has been in print for some 20 years this is the first issue dedicated entirely to Latin America (a previous issue, 59, 1998, focused on the Caribbean), so it's a great opportunity to bring Latin America (nationalism/ gender/history /texts) to the forefront of contemporary feminist debate. The essays need not centre on the nineteenth-century but could just as well engage with twentieth-century authoritarian regimes, globalization, representations of gender in contemporary public culture, and so on. If you would like to discuss your ideas further or if you need further information please contact Catherine (catherine.davies@man.ac.uk; 0161 275 3026/3040).

### **3. BLACK RENAISSANCE/RENAISSANCE NOIRE**

"Black Renaissance/Renaissance Noire" is a journal edited at New York University by Manthia Diawara. We are publishing a special issue devoted to studies of "Afro-Brazilian Politics in the Age of Lula." Articles may be written, in Portuguese or English, on any number of issues, organizations, or personalities involved in the relationship between The Workers Party and/or its competitors and the Afro-Brazilian people. Although we are interested in articles about these relationships in Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, it is important that other cities and regions, especially Salvador and the Northeast, be addressed. Please send two-page, double-spaced proposal, or electronic equivalent, to the guest editor at the addresses below. Contact information must include an eMail address. NO

TELEPHONE CALLS. Proposals must be received by Friday, 14 March 2003.

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#### 4. PEDIDO ARTICULOS PARA REVISTA ISTMO

Pedido de artículos sobre el Caribe para la revista Istmo. El mar Caribe cubre una vasta extensión geográfica y cultural que está enmarcada por grandes y pequeñas islas al norte y al este, por Centroamérica y Panamá al oeste y por la costa norte de América del Sur. Su nombre se deriva de sus primeros habitantes. Pese a esta limitada definición geográfica la influencia del Caribe se extiende a lo largo de la costa este de México y el sur de los Estados Unidos. Las producciones culturales que emergen de la mezcla resultante de los habitantes originarios de la región, los franceses, ingleses, holandeses y españoles evidencian la riqueza cultural de la región. Riqueza manifiesta en las prácticas culturales como son la literatura, el arte, la música y la cultura popular.

El próximo número de ISTMO Revista virtual de estudios literarios y culturales centroamericanos <http://www.denison.edu/istmo> queremos dedicarlo a estudiar la problemática del Caribe como punto de encuentro multirracial y multicultural. De esta forma convocamos a los estudiosos del Caribe a participar en este número que saldrá al ciberespacio en el mes de enero. Los interesados deben enviar el título de su artículo con un resumen de 10-30 líneas, así como una síntesis curricular antes del 30 de setiembre y enviar la versión final para el 15 de noviembre del 2002 a Patricia Fumero, ed.

[pfumero@ku.edu](mailto:pfumero@ku.edu) Los artículos pueden presentarse en cualquier idioma. Las normas de publicación pueden consultarse en la siguiente dirección

<http://www.denison.edu/istmo/publicacion.html>

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## TRANSLATORS WANTED - AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

I am trying to form a small team of translators to translate letters to be sent to Latin America relating to prisoners of conscience and human rights abuse. Volunteers do not have to sign their names and do not have to attend meetings, unless they want to and are able to do so (meetings are held once a month in St Albans). The work-load is small - just the occasional letter per translator. We, the translators, would communicate by e-mail but letters are sent by the normal post by other members of Amnesty, unless, of course, a translator wishes to be involved at that stage. I would be most grateful if you could send this to your network of contacts in Britain and abroad. Volunteers do not have to be living in this country. **Dr Robert Gurney, Honorary Lecturer, Department of Hispanic Studies, University of Wales, Swansea. Or contact: [m.zabaleta@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:m.zabaleta@mdx.ac.uk),**

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## WEBSITES AND IT NEWS

**1. WEBSITE: DOSSIER CRISIS ARGENTINA EN LINEA EL PAIS LA ECONOMICA ARGENTINA (1991-2002) Graficos Actualizados**

<http://www.elpais.es/multimedia/internacional/crisis.html>

## 2. WEBSITES ON VENEZUELA

LALA-listas: Here are a few good pages on Venezuela

[www.aporrea.com](http://www.aporrea.com) [www.redbolivariana.com](http://www.redbolivariana.com) [www.antiescualido.com](http://www.antiescualido.com)

Publisher: E-Resources for Latin American Studies

<http://home.earthlink.net/~rhondaneu/eresources/eresources1.html>

## 3. WEBSITE: Latin American Election Statistics

I am pleased to announce that the volume on the Dominican Republic is now available on my website, "Latin American Election Statistics: a Guide to Sources" ( <http://dodgson.ucsd.edu/las/index.html> ). There is a good deal of information available on the political and electoral history of the D.R., this volume is over 200 pages long and covers the period from 1791-2002. The other countries available on the website are Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, and Panama. I am currently working on Guatemala and Nicaragua. I still have eight countries in South America to complete, I am also anticipating updating the volumes on El Salvador and Mexico. Everything at UCSD that appears in the various country volumes is available on interlibrary loan. Contact: Karen Lindvall-Larson, Latin American Studies, SSH Library 0175R, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093-0175, (858) 534-1264/534-7548 (fax), [klindval@ucsd.edu](mailto:klindval@ucsd.edu), <http://sshl.ucsd.edu/las/>

## 4. WEBSITE: New online union catalogue of company reports

This message below, forwarded from LIS-LINK, announces a new online union catalogue of company reports in British collections, but not confined to British companies. You can browse companies by Country or FT sector. You can select

multiple items from Collections and Report Types. The URL is <http://www.score.ac.uk/html/index.html>. This RSLP-funded project was completed in July 2002, with the following highly successful outcomes: SCoRe (Search Company Reports): A national union catalogue of company report holdings in 5 key library research collections, and collection descriptions for a further 17 annual report collections. A national collection strategy document, highlighting the crisis facing the availability of historical annual report literature, and setting out steps taken by the project towards a solution to this crisis, together with recommendations for further strategies to assure the future of annual report archives.

Company reports toolkit: a practical manual for managers of company report collections which details recommended procedures for managing and cataloguing company report collections, with the aim of making collections more relevant and accessible to researchers. These outcomes, together with the final report for the project, are available at <http://www.score.ac.uk> Next steps: A SCoRe User Group has been formed, consisting of representatives of the original project institutions, to oversee the maintenance and development of the SCoRe union catalogue and to work to raise the profile of historical, printed company reports as key academic research sources and campaign for their preservation. Further information at <http://www.score.ac.uk>. If you can assist in taking forward the recommendations in our national collection strategy document contact: Lindsay Jones, London Business School Library, Regent's Park, London NW1 4SA. Tel: 020 7262 5050 x4241. Email: [linjones@london.edu](mailto:linjones@london.edu)

## **INSTITUTIONAL NEWS & SEMINARS**

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### **SEMINAR NEWS**

CLAR recently hosted a seminar on: "Los Dilemas Del Multiculturalismo En America Latina : El Caso De Las Poblaciones Negras Del Pacifico Colombiano", speaker: Carlos Efren Agudelo, Institut des Hautes Etudes d'Amérique Latine, Paris. The black population of Colombia represents about 18% of the national total. This population is a majority in the Pacific region of the country. This seminar presents an analysis of the mechanisms of integration of the Pacific region in the national society and of the historical construction of the forms of participation and black political leadership that have developed in the region to the present day. At the beginning of the 1990s, a "point of rupture" occurred within a global context in which questions of multiculturalism and environment have achieved new levels of significance.

In 1991, a new constitution was adopted in Colombia which was presented as the consolidation of a process of decentralisation and as the recognition of the country's ethnic and cultural diversity. In this context, "black communities" have become one of the social actors which are constituted as distinct political subjects, and the Pacific region has become a territory recognised for its biodiversity. In a process of both continuity and rupture, the role played by the

Pacific region in the nation and the forms of political participation of black populations both reflect the historically ambiguous character of their inclusion in society.

This ambiguity is caused by the oscillation between integration and exclusion, between recognition and marginalisation. Violence appears to be the only way in which the integration of the Pacific and its inhabitants does not now display any such ambiguity. The Pacific region has become a strategic scene for the armed conflict which Colombia is suffering, and the black populations of the region are one of the sectors most badly affected by this scourge.

## **RESEARCH NEWS**

### **Forest regeneration in the floodplain of the High Paraná River, Brazil**

In November and December 2002, work began on the analysis of forest regeneration in the floodplain of the High Paraná River, Paraná State in southeastern Brazil. The research is being undertaken by Gordon Dickinson (Geography and Topographic Science, University of Glasgow) and Dr João Batista Campos (I.A.P., Paraná State). We are investigating the re-growth of temperate rain forests on an island in the middle section of the High Paraná River, and area of high conservation importance, and one that has been less affected by dam building than other parts of this major river system.

As well as providing habitats for a wide range of species the rain forest is also important in preventing accelerated erosion of the flood plain and its islands. Since I.A.P (the state conservation and environmental protection agency) was

able to secure the removal of cattle from some parts of this area, there has been rapid forest regeneration. Our aims are to investigate how the forest re-grow and to what extent the new forest will provide good habitats for important biota. We have completed the first part of the programme, and will extend the scope of this work during August of 2003.

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### **SEMINAR NEWS**

The next **Caribbean Research Seminar in the North** will be held at the School of English, University of Leeds, on Friday 24th January 2003, 1pm-5pm. Details of speakers and times are listed below.

The research seminars constitute an interdisciplinary series on the Caribbean and its diaspora, initially co-organised by researchers at the universities of Edinburgh, Newcastle and Lancaster in association with the Society for Caribbean Studies. The series of half-day meetings brings together Caribbeanists in Scotland and the north of England to discuss current research and provides a mutually helpful network of contacts. Speakers include: Tracey Skelton (Loughborough): 'Home, belonging and a sense of place in the face of natural disaster: the case of Montserrat'. Gemma Robinson (Newcastle): ' "Me-riddle, me-riddle". Martin Carter and the manuscripts of Poems of Affinity'. Claire Taylor (Leeds): 'Vallenato: from folk to mass media'. Further details may be found at

:<http://www.sconline.freemove.co.uk/carib.htm> or by emailing David Howard, [djh@geo.ed.ac.uk](mailto:djh@geo.ed.ac.uk) or Mimi Sheller, [.sheller@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:.sheller@lancaster.ac.uk) There will be an evening meal after the seminar. If you would like to attend, please contact the organisers-John McLeod ([j.m.mcleod@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:j.m.mcleod@leeds.ac.uk)) or Stuart Murray ([s.f.murray@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:s.f.murray@leeds.ac.uk)).

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- 23 Jan Peter Wade (University of Manchester)  
*Racism, Nationalism, and Multiculturalism in Latin America: the Colombian Case*
- 6 Feb Chris Harris (University of Liverpool)  
*Mexican Writers' Responses to the Tlatelolco Massacre*
- 27 Feb Ken Shadlen (LSE)  
*Democratization without Representation: the Politics of Small Industry in Mexico*
- 6 Mar Kevin Middlebrook (ILAS, London)  
*Dilemmas of Political Change in Mexico*
- 13 Mar Tristan Platt (University of St Andrews)  
*The Aggressive Foetus: Childbirth, Person Formation, and Mythohistory in the Andes*
- 20 Mar Alan Rice (University of Central Lancashire)  
*Black Atlantic Studies and Visual Culture*

- 27 Mar Seminar of Latin American Centre for Health Studies  
(details to be confirmed by Professor A Kroeger)
- 3 Apr Research Student(s) Presentations (details to be confirmed by Dr  
R Howard)

## **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

### ***Gaining Ground: Social, Cultural and Political Processes of Latin America's Indigenous Peoples. Friday and Saturday, 21- 22 February 2003***

The conference will examine the means by which Latin American indigenous peoples are gaining ground within the neo-liberal state in the context of globalisation. Papers will examine the processes of struggle, dialogue or 'entanglement' (Radcliffe et al 2002) between indigenous peoples and the state over the definition and control of political-institutional, cultural, social, and environmental territories. To what extent have indigenous peoples been able to influence the definition of the ground? Or, up to what point has the state been able to subvert their claims and preclude meaningful change?

**Themes of the Conference include:** intersections between identity, territoriality and legal rights; Indigenous peoples and constitutional reform; Indigenous peoples and human rights; The culturalisation and/or ethnicisation of politics; Indigenous peoples and biodiversity; Indigenous languages, culture, and intercultural education programmes; Deterritorialisation and transnational networks; Different levels of interaction with the global: local, national, and international

**Importance of the Conference:** Many Latin American states are now signatories to the International Labour Organization Convention 169 on indigenous rights. Against this background, identity-based rights become both a weapon and a subject of dispute. The Conference will aim to assess the situation so far. An important feature of the Conference will be that in addition to academic papers, it will provide a platform for high profile indigenous leaders, who will complement the academic papers by speaking from first-hand experience of cultural and political struggle in their countries. There will be papers that address broad issues, as well as country specific ones on Mexico, Nicaragua, Colombia, Ecuador, Brazil, Bolivia, and Chile.

**Speakers include:**

Willem Assies, Colegio de Michoacán: *From pluri-multi to interculturalidad: some decades of indigenous struggles in Latin America.*

Rachel Sieder, ILAS, University of London: *Indigenous rights and rule of law in Latin America.*

Neil Harvey, New Mexico State University: *Indigenous rights and biodiversity policy in Chiapas, Mexico.*

Adolfo de Oliveira, University of St Andrews: *Authoritarian dialogue in the absence of dialog: indigenous lands and neo-liberal government in Brazil during the 1990s*

Jesús Avirama, Pueblo Kokonuco, former CRIC delegate, Colombia: *Indigenous political experience in the Cauca.*

Jean Jackson, MIT: *The crisis in Colombia: consequences for indigenous peoples*

Jane Freeland, University of Southampton: *Política lingüística and Nicaragua's Caribbean Coast region.*

Juan Carlos Godenzzi, University of Montreal: *Indigenous languages and education in Peru.*

Denise Arnold and Juan de Dios Yapita, ILCA, Bolivia: *Language planning from the bottom-up: the case of the Chipaya alphabet.*

Pedro Plaza, PROEIBANDES, Bolivia: *Education for indigenous peoples: a function of discourse and ideology.*

Aída Hernández, CIESAS, Mexico: *The Zapatistas' demands and the national indigenous women's movement: re-thinking multiculturalism from a gender perspective.*

Gunther Dietz, University of Granada: *Citizenship and new ethnic actors in rural Mexico: political participation, regional ethnogenesis, and cultural hybridity in Michoacán*

Nina Pacari, Member of the National Congress of Ecuador: *El movimiento indígena en el Ecuador*

Sarah Radcliffe, University of Cambridge: *Local development and international policy: transnational indigenous politics making development.*

Reynaldo Mariqueo, Mapuche International Link: *La causa mapuche.*

Janet Lloyd, Amazonwatch: *South American indigenous organisations and international solidarity networks*

Roundtable Discussants: Teófilo Altamirano, Catholic University of Peru; Andrew Canessa, University of Essex; Rosaleen Howard, University of Liverpool

Please contact The Secretary, Institute of Latin American Studies, University of

Liverpool, 86/88 Bedford St South, Liverpool 3BX 7WW, UK for a registration form and further details. Enquiries: [ilas@liv.ac.uk](mailto:ilas@liv.ac.uk) ; tel. 0151-794-3079

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| 17 May    | Workshop   | South American Archaeology   |
| June      | Workshop   | Christianity in Latin America (tbc)                                |
| October   | Workshop   | Historicizing Recent Troubles: Memory in Argentina, Chile and Peru |
| 30-31 Oct | Conference | Fútbol, Futebol, Soccer? Football in the Americas                  |
| Feb 2004  | Workshop   | Gender Rules: Law and Gender in Contemporary Mexico                |
| Mar 2004  | Conference | Judicialisation of Politics  |

Full details of the Institute's programme of Conferences, Workshops and Seminars is published on the Institute's website, which is updated regularly with new information and any amendments. A copy of the programme will be sent on request. Please note that advance registration for conferences and workshops is required. For further information contact the Seminar Secretary, Olga Jiménez (tel. 020 7862 8871; e-mail [Olga.Jimenez@sas.ac.uk](mailto:Olga.Jimenez@sas.ac.uk)).

**NEWS:** The Institute has introduced a new online newsletter, *ILAS enlace*, which we aim to publish in October, January and May. The first issue looks at the careers of a selection of ILAS alumni, as well as recording the impressions of students who undertook dissertation fieldwork in Latin America over the summer of 2002. Colourful images of Latin America were provided by master's students, and various social events at the Institute were recorded on camera as well. The first issue of *ILAS enlace* is accessible at [www.sas.ac.uk/ilas/enlace/oct02newsletter\\_home.html](http://www.sas.ac.uk/ilas/enlace/oct02newsletter_home.html).

### **STAFF CHANGES**

The Institute is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr **Caterina Pizzigoni** as Postdoctoral Research Fellow. Caterina is working on the everyday lives of Nahua women in colonial Mexico.

**Line Schjolden** will take up a Research Fellowship in Law and Politics in January 2003. The post is funded by a grant from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation held jointly with ILAS and the Latin American Centre at Oxford. Line will be involved in the organised of the Judicialisation of Politics conference planned for spring 2004 in association with Dr Rachel Sieder and Alan Angell.

Drs **Christian Brannstrom**, **Ann Bartholomew** and **Paulo Drinot** have left the Institute – Christian to return to his native California, Ann to work in the private sector and Paulo a lectureship at Oxford.

**VISITING RESEARCH FELLOWS, 2002- 03** : **Helga Baitenmann**, USA (Gender and the State); **Germán Carrera Damas**, Venezuela (History); **Richard Gott**, UK (Modern History); **John Hillman**, Canada (Britain, Bolivia and the reconstruction of the international tin market, 1945-1952); **Edda Samudio**, Colombia (Venezuela in the British Consular Records of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century); **Antonella Mori**, Italy (economics of the Southern Cone)

### **PUBLICATIONS – new and forthcoming**

**1. Palgrave/ILAS series:** *Multiculturalism in Latin America: Indigenous Rights, Diversity and Democracy*, Rachel Sieder (ed.) 2002

#### **2. ILAS Series**

- *Development Prospects in Cuba: Issues of an Agenda in the Making*, Pedro Monreal (ed.) 2002
- *Studies in the Formation of the Nation-State in Latin America*, James Dunkerley (ed.) 2002
- *Social Exclusion and Engagement: Social Policy in Latin America*, Chris Abel and Colin M. Lewis (eds.) 2002
- *The Pinochet Case: Origins, Progress and Implications*, Madeleine Davis (ed.). Forthcoming spring 2003.
- *Brazil under Democracy: Economy, Polity and Society since 1985*, Maria D'Alva Kinzo (ed.) Forthcoming spring 2003.
- *Brazil and South Korea: Economic Crisis and Restructuring*, Edmund Amann and Ha-Joon Chang (eds.) Forthcoming spring 2003.

- *The Bolivian Revolution at Fifty*, Pilar Domingo and Merilee S. Grindle (eds.)  
Forthcoming spring 2003.
- *Mexico: Dilemmas of Change*, Kevin Middlebrook (ed.) published with Center  
for U.S.-Mexican Studies, University of California, San Diego. Forthcoming  
2003

### **3. Nineteenth-Century Latin America series**

- *The European Revolutions of 1848 and the Americas*, Guy Thomson (ed.)
- *The Political Power of the Word: Press and Oratory in Nineteenth-Century  
Latin America*, Iván Jaksic (ed.) November 2002
- *Blacks and National Identity in Latin America*, Nancy Naro (ed.) Forthcoming  
2003

### **4. Occasional Papers**

- A Footnote to Borges Studies: A study of the footnotes, *Evelyn Fishburn*,  
2002.
- The Return of the Native: The Indigenous Challenge in Latin America, *Rodolfo  
Stavenhagen*, 2002.
- Karl Krause and the Ideological Origins of the Cuban Revolution, *Richard  
Gott*, 2002.

### **5. National Information Handbooks, Biographies and Guides**

- *Latin American and Caribbean Studies in the United Kingdom*, 2003  
Forthcoming
- *Guide to Latin American and Caribbean Library Resources in the British Isles:  
A Directory*, Alan Biggins and Valerie Cooper (comp.) 2002 – published with  
ACLAIIR

**6. Newsletters:** *ILAS enlace* online at [www.sas.ac.uk/ilas](http://www.sas.ac.uk/ilas) (published October, January and May)

**For the full list of titles and ordering details see the ILAS website:**

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**NEWS**

Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of Brazil, received an honorary degree from the University of Oxford on 14 November, marking his outstanding contribution to Brazilian and Latin American intellectual and political life. President Cardoso was awarded the degree of Doctor of Civil Law by Diploma by the Chancellor, Lord Jenkins of Hillhead. On 13 November the President delivered the annual Cyril Foster Lecture on *Towards democratic global governance: a Brazilian perspective* at the Examination Schools.

President Cardoso formally inaugurated Oxford University's Centre for Brazilian Studies at a luncheon in Buckingham Palace during his State Visit to the UK in December 1997. During his stay in Oxford President Cardoso visited the Centre to mark its fifth anniversary and talked to visiting researchers and staff.

**VISITING RESEARCH FELLOWS (Hilary Term 2003)**

- **Dr Simon Schwartzman** (Social Sciences Visiting Fellow) (American Institutes for Research for Brazil) Sociology
- **Dr Ronaldo Fiani** (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro) (BP Visiting Fellow in Economics) Economics
- **Dr Jurandir Malerba** (Federal University of Paraiba)(CNPq Visiting Fellow) Social History
- **Dr Paulo Krischke** (Federal University of Santa Catarina)(CNPq Visiting Fellow) Politics

**VISITING RESEARCH ASSOCIATES:**

- Dr Andre Lara Resende, economics
- Dr Gladis Massini-Cagliari (UNESP-Araraquara) linguistics
- Dr Luiz Carlos Cagliari (University of Campinas) linguistics
- Dr Alexandre Parola (spokesman for the President, Brasilia) international relations
- Dr Milton Tosto: (University of Westminster) politics
- Dr Lucia Nagib (PUC Sao Paulo) cinema

**OTHER NEWS**

The Centre will have a new Research Fellow for the calendar year 2003 - Dr Miguel Carter (Columbia) who will be working on Brazil's landless social movement.

During Hilary and Trinity terms the Centre will co-organise a series of seminars on Education in Brazil. The proceedings will be published in 2004.

In addition, the Centre will run its usual workshop and seminar series, including a workshop on 'Domestic and international constraints on Brazil's export performance' coordinated by Dr Mahrukh Doctor.

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23 Jan Marieke Riethoff, Brazil Centre, Oxford

*Changing Trade Union Strategies in the Context of Economic Reforms:  
Brazil in Comparative Perspective*

30 Jan Paul Gillingham, St Antony's, Oxford

*The Last Emperor's Bones: Archaeology, Fraud and Nationalism in  
Modern Mexico*

6 Feb Tom Rath, St Antony's, Oxford

*"Que el cielo un soldado en cada hijo te dio": Mexican conscription,  
recalcitrance and resistance in the 1940s.*

13 Feb Alan Knight, St Antony's, Oxford

*The Rise and Fall of the Metanarrative of the Mexican Revolution*

20 Feb Raul Acosta, St Cross, Oxford

*The Other Globalisation: How Latin American Political Creativity Shaped  
the World Social Forum*

27 Feb Jelke Boesten, University of Amsterdam

*'Más me pegas, más te quiero': Domestic Violence in Peru*

6 Mar Eduardo Posada

*Parties, Elections and State Formation in Latin America, 1850-1880.*

13 Mar Jurandir Malerba, Centre for Brazilian Studies, Oxford

*The Constitution of the Elites in the Rise of the Brazilian Imperial State*

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Candidates should apply in writing to the director of the Centre, Laurence Whitehead, but the letter should be sent to **Ana Covarrubias**, St. Antony's College, Oxford, OX2 6JF, UK, e-mail: [ana.covarrubias@sant.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ana.covarrubias@sant.ox.ac.uk), no later

than March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Applicants should state the amount of grant requested and give a brief account of the expenses involved, the activities to be carried out in Mexico and how they relate to their graduate research. A letter from the candidate's supervisor supporting the application should also be sent. Successful candidates will be required to write a report on their activities no later than a month after their return from Mexico.

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**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON, SCHOOL OF MODERN LANGUAGES****Tel: 00 44 23 80 592209, Fax: 00 44 23 80 593288****Email: [smlinfo@soton.ac.uk](mailto:smlinfo@soton.ac.uk) Website: [www.lang.soton.ac.uk](http://www.lang.soton.ac.uk)****NEWS**

The School of Modern Languages at the University of Southampton recently expanded its undergraduate programme in Spanish and Latin American Studies. Students follow courses in four fields (Society and Politics, Literary and Cultural Studies, Linguistics, Film Studies) as well as studying the Spanish and Portuguese languages.

Ten full-time members of staff teach on the programme. Courses include: Gender, Race and Class in Modern Latin America; Globalization; Barrios and Borders: Language and Identity Amongst U.S. Latinos; Historical Memory in Modern Latin America; Armed Organisations and Political Violence in the Hispanic World: Spain, Nicaragua, Peru, Uruguay, Mexico and El Salvador; The History and Politics of the Hispanic World; Introduction to Languages of the Spanish Speaking World; Narrative and Cultural Identity in the Hispanic World; High, Popular and Mass Culture in the Hispanic World.

The School of Modern Languages offers an undergraduate programme, The Spanish Speaking World for students with no prior Spanish language study.

In September 2003 the School of Modern Languages is inaugurating a taught PhD programme in **Transnational Studies: Society, Language, Culture**. While

the majority of students will study for the PhD, students may study for an MA or M. Phil. The programme focuses on one of the pre-eminent phenomena of our time: the emergence of transnational patterns in cultures, societies and languages.

The course trains students in transnational approaches shaped by cultural, linguistics and historical debates. While the programme is firmly rooted in the humanities, it will encourage students to cross disciplines, theories, cultures, nationalisms and borders in their research, analysis and practice. The programme is distinctive in that it aims to contribute to the debunking of the traditional humanities model of discrete national cultures and draws on elements of that critique. For more information contact Professor Jo Labanyi (jl7@soton.ac.uk). The School of Modern Languages hosts an annual Latin American film festival to screen recent films by Latin American directors.

## **STAFF NEWS**

**Mark Dinneen**, Lecturer in Latin American Cultural Studies, is completing articles on the Venezuelan dramatists, Roman Chalbaud and Cesar Rengifo, and editing a collection of Brazilian popular poetry (literatura de cordel), written by Jose Soares, to be published by Hedra, in Sao Paulo.

**Elizabeth Dore**, Reader in Latin American history, received US\$ 45,000 jointly from the Ford Foundation and the Swedish International Development Agency for the research project 'Cuban Voices: Histories, Testimonies, Memories.' A workshop in Southampton in October, 2003 will launch the project. Her chapter,

'Understanding Capitalism in the Third World,' was published in *Anti-Capitalism: A Marxist Introduction* (Alfredo Saad-Fihlo, ed, Pluto Press, 2002) and her article, 'Debt Peonage in Granada, Nicaragua, 1870-1930: A Case of Non-Capitalist Development' will appear in the August 2003 issue of the *Hispanic American Historical Review*.

**Jane Freeland**, Visiting Research Fellow, co-organised a colloquium on 'Linguistic rights and wrongs: Exploring the discourses of "language survival", at the Sociolinguistics Symposium held in Ghent in April 2002. Her paper was: 'Writing for legitimacy? Linguistic rights discourse and the Creoles of Nicaragua's Caribbean Coast'. She is co-editing a book based on the colloquium papers to appear in 2003 with St. Jerome Press, *Language Rights and Language 'Survival': A Sociolinguistic Exploration*. In July 2001 she taught at the Universidad de las Regiones Autónomas de la Costa Caribe Nicaragüense, in Bluefields and Bilwi. In June, she was awarded a PhD by publication from Portsmouth University, based on her collected work on Nicaraguan language politics.

**Carrie Hamilton**, Lecturer in Spanish Studies, writes on oral history and women's political activism, in particular women's participation in political violence. Her research-in-progress compares women's involvement in the Basque independence movement ETA and women in armed organisations in Latin America and elsewhere. She is the secretary for WISPS, a professional academic network of women working in Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies in the UK and Ireland. She will participate in the Ford-SIDA project, 'Cuban Voices.'

**Clare Mar-Molinero**, Reader in Spanish and specialist in sociolinguistics, is working on a major project on Spanish as a Global language. Her current focus is the Spanish of U.S. Latinos and for this purpose has a British Academy Small Award. She was a plenary speaker at the First Symposium of Hispanic Linguistics in the UK (Surrey University, April 2002) gave a paper on Spanish as a global language at the conference 'U.S. Spanish' in San Juan (April 2002).

Her publications include, *The Politics of Language in the Spanish Speaking World: from Colonisation to Globalisation* (London/New York: Routledge, 2000) and *The Spanish speaking World: Introduction to Sociolinguistic Issues* (London / New York: Routledge, 1997). She will participate in the Ford-SIDA project, 'Cuban Voices.'

## **POSTGRADS**

PhD candidates in Latin American Studies in the School of Modern Languages include, among others,

**Anthony Campbell** (State Formation, Ethnic Exclusion and Education in Guatemala)

**Karen Leimdorfer** (Cultural Imperialism or Encounter: Protestant Missions in Cuba, 1898-1959. A Study of the Quakers).

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## NEW BOOKS

### FROM DUKE UNIVERSITY PRESS:

**Roldan, Mary, *Blood and fire: La Violencia in Antioquia, Colombia 1946 – 1953*, Duke University Press and Combined Academic Publishers, London, November 2002, pbk £16.95, pp 392, appendices, maps, notes, bibliography, index and b & w photos.**

This book considers both the influences of the State and regionalism as well as the traditional animosities, which lay behind and fired the savagery involved in La Violencia. Sections consider: Medellin and core municipalities; Bajo Cauca, Magdalena Medio, and the Northeast; Uruba and Western Antioquia; Urrao and the Southwest. The photographs included draw harsh comparisons with current violence in these regions. Certainly of interest to those struggling to understand the issues behind the turmoil in Colombia, as well as of relevance to those concerned with State control and local autonomy.

### FROM INDIANA UNIVERSITY PRESS:

**Geggus, David Patrick, *Haitian revolutionary studies*, Indiana University press and combined Academic Publishers, London, November 2002, hbk £37.95, pp 334, maps, chronology, notes, bibliography, index.**

This collection of essays studies the issues behind the Haitian Revolution of 1789-1803, which transformed one of the Caribbean's wealthiest colonies into the first independent state of the region. The six sections consider: the Revolution in general; Historical approaches and sources; the seeds of revolt; slaves and free coloureds; the wider revolution; and the naming of Haiti. Archival research was

carried out in half a dozen countries, and the aim of the essays are to both widen and deepen our understanding of this process. It will appeal to scholars of Latin American, Afro-American, and Caribbean history.

**FROM LATIN AMERICAN NEWSLETTERS:**

***Special Report: Banking in Latin America, 61 Old Street, London EC1V 9HW, 14pp, analysis and tables.***

This annual assessment of banking in Latin America covers the way in which the system has been affected by the overall deceleration of economic growth. In Argentina, it shows that the crisis is not yet over, in Brazil the impact is relatively light, and that in Mexico, there has been no panic over low lending and tight margins. Uruguay has continued the crisis, while Venezuela has been squeezed by devaluation, rising rates, and capital flight. Colombia has seen improvement over the last 18 months and Peru has responded by going along with a general economic upswing. This report is detailed and provides a valuable survey of the financial institutions of the region over the year.

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