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on Latin America



February 13-15, 2003

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The Conference at a Glance

DAY ONE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

5:30–6:00 P.M.

REGISTRATION AND WELCOME

Location: Santa Rita Room 3.502*

6:00–6:45 P.M.

OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION

NICOLAS SHUMWAY, Director, LLILAS

Location: Santa Rita Room 3.502

OPENING ADDRESS

LUIGI MANZETTI

Dept. of Political Science

Southern Methodist University

6:45–7:30 P.M.

RECEPTION

Location: Santa Rita Room 3.502



DAY TWO: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:30–9:00 A.M.

CONTINUED REGISTRATION

Location: African American Culture Room 4.110**

9:00–10:45 A.M.

SESSION ONE

Panel 1. Upward and Outward? The Fruits of Social and Student Activism

Panel 2. I Will Survive: Economic Development and Identity of
Marginalized Groups

Panel 3. Who Are You? Reflections on Identity

11:00–12:45 P.M.

SESSION TWO

Panel 1. One Step Forward, Two Steps Back?

Panel 2. Fruits of Our Labor?

Panel 3. The State of Gender/ Gender and the State

1:00–2:30 P.M.

LUNCH BREAK

Brown Bag with Luigi Manzetti

Location: Chicano Culture Room 4.206

Brown Bag with Carlos Monsiváis

Location: Asian Culture Room 4.224

2:30–4:15 P.M.

SESSION THREE

Panel 1. Land, People, State

Panel 2. Privatizing the Public

Panel 3. Engaging Culture: Traditional and Modern

7:30 P.M.

DINNER

Location: The Clay Pit Restaurant,
1601 Guadalupe***



DAY THREE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:00–10:45 A.M. SESSION FOUR

Panel 1. Explorations in the Written Word

Panel 2. We're Not in Kansas Anymore

Panel 3. Invisible Hand, Iron Fist

11:00–12:15 P.M. SESSION FIVE

Panel 1. Representing Mesoamerica

Panel 2. Military Regimes, Human Rights, and Economic Policies

2:00–2:45 P.M.

CLOSING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION

JOSÉ LIMÓN

Director of Center for Mexican American Studies

Location: Quadrangle Room 3.304

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

CARLOS MONSIVÁIS

Prominent Mexican essayist, satirist, and novelist

2:45–3:30 P.M. Reception

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4:00 P.M.

LIBRARY TOUR

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8:00 P.M.

FIESTA DE DESPEDIDA

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Southern Methodist University

Some of Dr. Manzetti's publications are *Privatization South American Style; Institutions, Parties, and Distributional Coalitions in Argentine Politics*; and *Political Forces in Argentina*

6:45–7:30 P.M.

RECEPTION

Location: Santa Rita Room 3.502



Day Two: Friday, February 14

Session One: 9:00–10:45 A.M.

PANEL 1. UPWARD AND OUTWARD? THE FRUITS OF SOCIAL AND STUDENT ACTIVISM

Location: Lone Star Room 3.208

Moderator: Charles R. Hale, Dept. of Anthropology

Is the Latin American Revolution Dead?

Wes Johnson, Baylor University

The Afro-Brazilian Identity and the Idea of Africa in the Afro-Brazilian Museum of Bahia

D. Ryan Lynch, Emory University

Advocacy beyond Classes and the Creation of Advocacy Networks in an Urban Setting: The Case of Rio

Rodrigo Nunes, University of Texas at Austin

The Role of Porros in the Latest Manifestation of the Mexican Student Movement: The Strike of 1999–2000

Jaime Pensado, University of Chicago

Spanish-Language Press: Prelude to the Cuban-Spanish-American War

Carol Wilcox, University of North Carolina

PANEL 2. I WILL SURVIVE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IDENTITY OF MARGINALIZED GROUPS

Location: Asian Culture Room 4.224


Moderator: Greg Knapp, Dept. of Geography

Bolivia's War on Drugs: Toward a More Participatory Development Strategy

Eric Jacobstein, Georgetown University

Medición del impacto del uso de los comedores populares en Perú: Estudio del caso

Pablo Lavado, Universidad del Pacífico



Peruvian Women Speak Out about Micro Credit
Jennifer Smith, Clark University

Agencias indígenas: Conflicto e identidad en Los Andes
Mauro Vega Bendezu, Universidad del Valle

Co-opted and Condemned: 10 Years of Constitutional Clientelism in Colombia
Tanner Neidhardt, University of Texas at Austin

PANEL 3. WHO ARE YOU? REFLECTIONS ON IDENTITY

Location: Chicano Culture Room 4.206

Moderator: Joe Straubhaar, Dept. of Radio-Television-Film

The Construction of Meaning of Espacios Lesbicos among Lesbian and Bisexual Women in Mexico City
Constance McGuire, University of Texas at Austin

Paulistas y Gaúchas
Alessandra Oliveira Ribeiro, Emory University

Mexican Rock: Political Expressions of Marginalized Youth
Magdalena Red, University of Texas at Austin

Myth of the Mask: Imagery and Aesthetic Symbolism of Subcomandante Marcos
Doug Starnes, Baylor University

Watching Miramar from Cameroon: Telenovelas and “Parallel Modernity”
Olivier Tchouaffe, University of Texas at Austin



Session Two 11:00 A.M.–12:45 P.M.

PANEL 1. ONE STEP FORWARD, TWO STEPS BACK?

Location: Lone Star Room 3.208

Moderator: Kurt Weyland, Dept. of Government

Una Nueva reforma fiscal en México

Carlos Juárez Cruz, Octavio Méndez Castro, and Jorge Raúl Muñoz Delgado, Universidad Tecnológica de México

Judicial Reform and Foreign Investment in Latin America

Michael Menendez, University of St. Thomas

Descentralización e implicancias fiscales: Perú 2003

Fabrizio Orrego, Universidad del Pacífico

Intra-State/Inter-National Relations: Pachakutik and State Construction in Ecuador

Thomas Roberts, University of Massachusetts–Amherst

Reproductive Capital, Fertility, and the Changing Face of Religion in Mexico

Jennifer Tovar, University of Texas at Austin

PANEL 2. FRUITS OF OUR LABOR?

Location: Asian Culture Room 4.224

Moderator: Jonathan Brown, Dept. of History

Native Railroad Workers and Foreign Business in Argentina


Byron Crites, University of Texas at Austin

Maintaining Their Dignity: Mineworkers, Companies, and the Avilacamachista State (Mexico: 1940–1946)

Meredith Glueck, University of Texas at Austin

The Golden Years Tarnished: Unequal Pension Distribution and Women's Retirement in Brazil

Maren Jiménez, University of Texas at Austin



The New Unemployment Insurance Scheme in Chile
Kirsten Schnbruch, University of Cambridge

Juárez and Cancún, Mexico
Christopher Tamborini, University of Texas at Austin

Yerba mala nunca muere
Roberta Villalón, University of Texas at Austin

PANEL 3. THE STATE OF GENDER / GENDER AND THE STATE

Location: Chicano Culture Room 3.208

Moderator: Shannon Speed, Dept. of Anthropology

Young Women in Santiago and the State: A Story of Disconnects?
Jael Goldsmith, University of Texas at Austin

Gender, Democracy, and Politics: A Costa Rican Case Study
Jennifer M. Piscopo, University of Cambridge

Life in Bolivian Wataywasi
Chloe Schwabe, University of Texas at Austin

El Concubinato and the Common Law Marriage
Ann Skowronski, University of Texas Law School

Women's Political Participation in Latin America: Colombian Women as Individual Actors
Edme Pernia, Florida International University

1:00–2:30 P.M.

LUNCH BREAK

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Session Three: 2:30–4:15 P.M.

PANEL 1. LAND, PEOPLE, STATE

Location: Lone Star Room 3.208

Moderator: Bryan Roberts, Dept. of Sociology

Is It the Land? The Impact of Changing Land Tenure on the Opportunities of Guarani in Southern Bolivia

Matthew Fry, University of Texas at Austin

Increased Levels of Education: A Positive Externality of Coffee Farming?

Seth Gitter, University of Wisconsin

The Catholic Church and the Presidency of Jacobo Arbenz Guzmán

Bonar Hernandez, University of Texas at Austin

Ecotourism and Sustainability: The Costa Rican Experience

Lynn Horton, University of Texas at Austin

Imágenes y contraimágenes del Urabá: Un encuentro de regiones

Mauricio Moscoso, Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Land-Allocation Decisions within Ejidos after the 1992 Mexican Agrarian Reform

Eulália Puig Abril, University of Wisconsin at Madison

PANEL 2. PRIVATIZING THE PUBLIC

Location: Asian Culture Room 4.224

Moderator: Raúl Madrid, Dept. of Government

Deconcentration versus Devolution of Water Management in Mexico: Inferences from the Río Bravo (Rio Grande) Basin

Howard Donnell, University of Texas at Austin



Water Privatization in Bolivia

Alicia Gottfried, Trinity University

Aportes e límites da perspectiva de redes de políticas públicas: O caso da política nacional de recursos hídricos

Adriana Luchini, Fundação Getúlio Vargas

The Restructuring and Privatization of Electricity Distribution and Supply in Brazil: A Social Cost-Benefit Analysis

Rafaella Mota, University of Cambridge

PANEL 3. ENGAGING CULTURE: TRADITIONAL AND MODERN

Location: Chicano Culture Room 3.208

Moderator: T.B.A.

Lowrider Customization: Storytellers of the Unique Chicano Experience

William Calvo, Arizona State University

The Mormon Movement in Latin America

Gayle Lasater, Florida International University

Transatlantic Cultural Forms: Gilberto Gil's Musical Representation of the Culto dos Eguns

Megwen Loveless, Harvard University

La Medicina y las Nahuas de Milpa Alta

Manuel Enrique Morales Santiago, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana

Un Brindis con la etiqueta del enemigo

Dylon Robbins, Rice University

Puerto Rican Folk Healing as Somatic Practice

Fanny Santiago-Saavedra, Ohio State University



Day Three: Saturday, February 15

Session Four: 9:00–10:45 A.M.

PANEL 1. EXPLORATIONS IN THE WRITTEN WORD

Location: Eastwoods Room 2.102

Moderator: Naomi Lindstrom, Dept. of Spanish and Portuguese

Caribbean Literature, Popular Music, and Gender: The Case of Pedro Antonio Valdez's Bachata del Ángel Caído

Kathleen Costello, University of Iowa

Acerca de la filosofía de Arthur Danto

Juan Carlos Lozano Mahecha, Universidad Distrital Francisco José de Caldas

Intensities through Octavio Paz: Eroticism, Culture, and the Debate about Modernity

José Saúl Martínez and Eduardo Santana, University of Texas at Austin

Why Biography Matters

Andrew Paxman, University of Texas at Austin

La Representación del “Judío Errante” en la literatura Judeo-Latinoamericana: “La Vida a Plazos de Don Jacobo Lerner” por Isaac Goldenberg y “Claper” por Alicia Freilich

Andrew Stevenson, Georgetown University

PANEL 2. WE'RE NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE

Location: Lone Star Room 3.208

Moderator: Martha Menchaca, Dept. of Anthropology

El Pueblo Mapuche—“Gente de la Tierra”—en Santiago

Diana Carreon, University of California, Santa Cruz

Causas de la migración estacional rural al sureste de México, de la comunidad Xoconilaj

Elsa Henández Méndez, Universidad San Carlos de Guatemala



Canto del bracero

Paul Kasper, Rice University

Changing Destinations and New Impacts: The Mexican Migrant Community in Dalton, Georgia

Jordan Alexandra McDuff, Florida International University

The Haitian Diaspora in the Bahamas

Ria Treco, Florida International University

PANEL 3. INVISIBLE HAND, IRON FIST

Location: Chicano Culture Room 4.206

Moderator: Anne Golla, Ph.D. candidate, Dept. of Economics

Education Reform in Post-Revolutionary Nicaragua: The Case of Bluefields and Pearl Lagoon

Patrick Bouchez, University of Texas at Austin

Capital Unleashed: Capital Flows under NAFTA and the Proposed FTAA

Richard Brame, Cambridge University

Institutions and Transformations in the Current Trends of the Mexico–European Union Relationship

Roberto Dominguez, University of Miami

Campo sin campesinos: The Transformation of the Mexican Agricultural Sector

Donn Gladish, University of St. Thomas

The Effect of the Andean Trade Preferences Act on U.S.–Colombian Relations: 1991–2001

Helen O'Reilly, Georgetown University

From Tragedy to Disaster? Argentina and the International Monetary Fund 1976–1990

Klaus Veigel, Princeton University



Session Five: 11:00 A.M.–12:15 P.M.

PANEL 1. REPRESENTING MESOAMERICA

Location: Eastwoods Room 2.102

Moderator: Ken Ward, Ph.D. candidate, Dept. of History

Signing in the Black Speared Earth Cave: Emic Conceptions of Caves among the Classic Maya as Recorded on Kerr Vessel 1440

Michael Carrasco, University of Texas at Austin

Mexico's Accidental Saint, San Felipe de Jesús

Cornelius Conover, University of Texas at Austin

Análisis interpretativo del concepto Chichimeca: Torquemada y el debate sobre presencia de humanidad

Mónica Pérez Navarro, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas

Analysis of the Representation of Spaniards in the Mexican Manuscript Paintings

Margarita Vargas-Betancourt, Tulane University

PANEL 2. MILITARY REGIMES, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ECONOMIC POLICIES

Location: Chicano Culture Room 4.206

Moderator: Lawrence Graham, Dept. of Government

Repression, Human Rights, and Economic Policies

Galia Benitez, Indiana University

The U.S. Invasion of Panama (1989)

Majorie Bernard, University of Texas at Austin

A New Drug Dependency: The Mexican Military after NAFTA

Veronica Chapa, University of Texas at Austin

State Terror and Masculinity in Argentina and Chile

R. Matthew Gildner, University of Texas at Austin



Evangelista López Grijalba

Ana Catalina Varela, Florida International University

Political Odd Couple: Military Brazil's Recognition of Socialist Angola

Jackie Zahn, University of Texas at Austin

1:00–2:00 P.M. LUNCH BREAK

2:00–2:45 P.M. CLOSING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION

José Limón,

Director of Center for Mexican American Studies

Location: Quadrangle Room 3.304

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Carlos Monsiváis

A prominent essayist, satirist, and novelist living in Mexico City, Monsiváis has contributed to Mexican journals such as *Excelsior*, *Siempre*, and *Nexos* and currently writes for *La Jornada* as well as *El Financiero*. He is the author of more than a dozen books in Spanish, both fiction and nonfiction, including *Amor perdido*; *Días de guardar*; *A Ustedes les consta*; *Nuevo catecismo para indios remisos*; and *Escenas de pudor y liviandad*.

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