V South by Midwest International Conference
on Latin American Cultural Studies

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McMillan Café, October 21, 2016

9:00am Opening Remarks

9:15-10:30 Session 1: Experiments in Citizenship, Modernization, and Memory (Mexico & Colombia)

James Sanders (Utah State University, History)
“Forgetting Democracy: Conrad’s Nostromo and the Erasure of Democratic History in Late Nineteenth-Century Mexico and Colombia”

Carlos Jáuregui (University of Notre Dame, Romance Languages & Literatures)
“Ejercicios de desmemoria colonial III: Gonzalo Guerrero y la invención de la Riviera Maya.”

Rebecca Biron (Dartmouth College, Spanish and Comparative Literature)
“Aiming High: Developing Dependencies at Mexico City’s New International Airport”

Moderated by Stephanie Kirk (Washington University, Romance Languages & Literatures)

10:45-12:00 Session 2: Portraits of Urban Inequality, Race, and Power (Brazil)

Beatriz González-Stephan (Rice University, Hispanic Studies)
“Cuerpos transfigurados: violencias coloniales y el dispositivo fotográfico (s. XIX)”

Brodwyn Fischer (University of Chicago, History)
“Navigating Inequality in the Relational City”

Christopher Dunn (Tulane University, Spanish & Portuguese)
“Spaces of the Carioca Counterculture, 1970s”

Moderated by Diana Montaño (Washington University, History)

12:15-1:30 Lunch, Knight Center Dining Room
1:45-2:45  Plenary Session

José Manuel Valenzuela Arce (Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Sociology; Director of the Dept. of Cultural Studies)

“Necropolítica y juvenicidio en América Latina”

3:00-4:15  Session 3: Urban Imagery, Political Violence, and the Distant Local (Argentina & Ecuador)

Javier Auyero (University of Texas, Austin, Sociology)
“Violence(s) at the Urban Margins: A Political/Relational Ethnography”

Amanda Holmes (McGill University, Languages, Literatures, & Cultures)
“Dangerously Secure: Inside the Gated Communities of Argentina”

Ernesto Capello (Macalester College, History)
“Parisian Obelisks in Quito: The Consumption and Re-Imagination of French Commemorative Architecture and Geodesic Science in the Ecuadorian Andes”

Moderated by Catalina Freixas (Washington University, Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts)

4:30-5:30  Session 4: “Latinos in the U.S., Structures of Invisibility, and Discrimination”

Ariela Schachter (Washington University, Sociology)
“From ‘Different’ to ‘Similar’: An Experimental Approach to Understanding Assimilation”

Debra Castillo (Cornell University, Comparative Literature)
“Mexicans in Manhatitlan”

Moderated by Ignacio Sánchez Prado (Washington University, Romance Languages & Literatures / Latin American Studies Program)

5:45-6:45  Keynote Speaker

Distinguished Visiting Scholar Alejandro de la Fuente (Harvard University, Robert Woods Bliss Professor of Latin American History and Economics; Professor of African and African American Studies; Director, Afro-Latin American Research Institute, Hutchins Center for African and African American Research). Supported in part through funding from the Office of the Provost: Distinguished Visiting Scholar Program

“The New Field of Afro-Latin American Studies”

7:00-9:30  Reception, Women’s Building Formal Lounge

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