2009 Spring Events

FEBRUARY

**BARRIO SERIES: LOISAIDA**

**“On and Off the Avenue”**
An exhibition by Marlys Mombert

Pedro J. Hernández and Mario H. Ramirez, Curators
Opening: Thursday, February 5, 6:00 pm

**RESEARCH SEMINAR**

The Puerto Rican Diaspora to the United States: A Postcolonial Migration?
Presenter: Jorge Duany, University of Puerto Rico
Friday, February 13, 6:00 pm

**LEGACY SERIES: TEATRO**

The Show Still Goes On!
Conversation with Ana Vélez-Mitchell, Minam Colón and Eva Vásquez joined by Virginia Sánchez-Korrol
Thursday, February 19, 6:00 pm

**RESEARCH SEMINAR**

Preserving Identity: Puerto Rican Shift from Catholicism to Pentecostalism
Presenter: Ramón Ortiz, New York Theological Seminary
Wednesday, February 25, 6:00 pm

**MEET THE AUTHORS**

The Diaspora Strikes Back
Presenters: Juan Flores, New York University and Arcadio Díaz Quiñones, Princeton University
Thursday, February 26, 6:00 pm

MARCH

**RESEARCH SEMINAR**

Time to Revive Puerto Rican Voting Rights
Presenter: Katherine Cuilliton-González, Esq.
Thursday, March 12, 6:00 pm

APRIL

**STUDENT INITIATIVES**

Latinas in the Media
Presenters: Catalina Areu, creator, owner, publisher, Catalina Magazine; Luz Plasencia, reporter, NY1 Noticias; Magdalena Reyna, award-winning poet/opinion columnist, The Hartford Courant; Cristal González Whitaker, senior editor, InStyle magazine

Conversation with Anita Vélez-Mitchell, Miriam Colón
Thursday, April 2, 6:00 pm

**RESEARCH SEMINAR**

Welfare Reform in NYC: From Slums to the Projects
Presenters: Cordelia Reimers and Howard Chemick, Hunter College with Marygrace Tyrell, Northwestern University
Thursday, April 2, 6:00 pm

**FILM CORNER**

X Havana Film Festival
@ Centro
Convener: Soledad Romero, stage actress, lecturer on Puerto Rican Studies and Spanish at Queens College CUNY.
Tuesday, April 21, 5:00 pm

**STUDENT INITIATIVES**

Diálogos Inquietos: Conversatorio sobre escritores puertorriqueños de los últimos 20 años
Presenters: Melanie Pérez Ortiz-Stanford University; Urayoán Noel; Kook Logic / La Logica and Marisel Hernández Romero, CUNY Graduate Partners: Dept. of Modern Language and Comparative Literature–Baruch College; AELLA (Graduate Students Organization at CUNY); Ph.D. Program in Hispanic & Luso-Brazilian Language and Literature; The Graduate Center
Thursday, April 23, 6:30 pm

MAY

**RESEARCH SEMINAR**

Culture is More Than Bingo and Salsa: Making Puertorriqueñidad in Central Florida
Patricia Silver, University of Central Florida
Wednesday, April 29, 6:00 pm

**MEET THE AUTHORS**

Jesús María Sanromá: An American 20th Century Pianist
Discussion of an international career: Cherín Sanromá, Edgaró Díaz Díaz, and Alberto Bird (CUNY), José Ramos Santana, Kean University with author Alberto Hernández.
Thursday, April 30, 6:30 pm

**BARRIO SERIES: LOISAIDA**

Blueprints for a Nation, An Installation by Adal
Join Adal, artist; Miriam Basilio, art historian, NYU; and Urayoán Noel, poet, SUNY Albany for a Legacy Series conversation moderated by Yasmin Ramirez at 5:30 pm followed by a reception at 6:15 pm.

Opening Reception & Legacy Series Talk: Thursday, May 7, 6:30 pm

Centro Gallery East Bldg. 3rd Floor Main Library Entrance

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Centro Events are free of charge.

**THE BARRIO SERIES** — Portraits of specific neighborhoods and geographies enriched by the presence of Puerto Ricans, their history, adaptation and important contributions to those communities.

**LEGACY SERIES** — Conversations celebrating individual “pioneers” who broke new grounds in their communities, organizations, public service, arts and the media. Many of the participants have graciously donated their papers to the Centro Archives. The series will take place in the intimate surrounding of the Centro Library and Archives.

**MEET THE AUTHORS** — Events celebrating book releases or recent publications that contribute to the Puerto Rican Studies.

**STUDENT INITIATIVES** — Opportunity for young scholars to present their work and to explore emerging topics in Puerto Rican Studies.

**FILM CORNER** — Forum examining Puerto Rican films while introducing new works, artists and producers.

**RESEARCH SEMINAR** — Allows graduate students and faculty to present research in progress and receive feedback from the public. Working papers will be made available through our website.