

Center for Puerto Rican Studies

Hunter College, CUNY

2009 Spring Events

FEBRUARY

BARRIO SERIES: LOISAIDA

"On and Off the Avenue"

Loisaida N.Y.C. 1976-2009

An exhibition by Marlis Momber

Pedro J. Hernández and Mario H. Ramírez, Curators
Opening Reception: Thursday, February 5, 6:00 PM
Centro Gallery East Bldg. 3rd Floor, Main Library Entrance

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
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

LEGACY SERIES: TEATRO

The Show Still Goes On!

Conversation with Anita Vélez-Mitchell, Miriam Colón and Eva Vásquez joined by Virginia Sánchez-Korrol
Thursday, February 19, 6:00 PM
Centro Library East Bldg. 3rd Floor, Main Library Entrance

RESEARCH SEMINAR

Preserving Identity: Puerto Rican Shift from Catholicism to Pentecostalism

Presenter: Ramón Ortiz, New York Theological Seminary
Wednesday, February 25, 6:00 PM
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

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
Centro Library East Bldg. 3rd Floor, Main Library Entrance

MARCH

RESEARCH SEMINAR

Time to Revive Puerto Rican Voting Rights

Presenter: Katherine Culliton-González, Esq.
Thursday, March 12, 6:00 PM
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

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, Isabel González Whitaker, senior editor, InStyle magazine
Convener: Esperanza Urbaz, Hunter College
Wednesday, March 18, 6:30 PM
Faculty Dining Room 8th Floor West Bldg.

RESEARCH SEMINAR

Welfare Reform in NYC: From Slums to the Projects

Presenters: Cordelia Reimers and Howard Chernick, Hunter College with Marygrace Tyrell, Northwestern University
Thursday, March 26, 6:00 PM
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

APRIL

RESEARCH SEMINAR

Oral Histories of Bilingual Education Teachers from the Puerto Rican Diaspora in St. Croix

Presenters: Mirerza González and Nadjah Rios, University of Puerto Rico
Thursday, April 2, 6:00 PM
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

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
Ida K. Lang Theater, North Bldg. 4th Floor

STUDENT INITIATIVES

Diálogos Inquietos: Conversatorio sobre escritores puertorriqueños de los últimos 20 años

Presenters: Melanie Pérez Ortiz-Stanford University, Urayoan Noel- Kook Logic /La Logica and Marissel 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
Faculty Dining Room 8th Floor West Bldg.

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
Centro Conference Room 1437 East Bldg.

MEET THE AUTHORS

Jesús María Sanromá: An American 20th Century Pianist

Discussion of an international career: Cherín Sanromá, Edgardo Díaz Díaz, and Alberto Bird (CUNY), José Ramos Santana, Kean University with author Alberto Hernández.
Thursday, April 30, 6:30 PM
Centro Library East Bldg. 3rd Floor, Main Library Entrance

MAY

MEET THE AUTHOR: BOOK PARTY

Reggaeton

An Anthology by Raquel Z. Rivera, Wayne Marshall and Deborah Pacini Hernández

Featured Speaker: Juan Flores, NYU

Presenters: Miguel Luciano, Visual Artist, Alexandra T. Vazquez, Princeton University and Frances Negrón Muntaner, Columbia University.
Music by DJ Mellow G.
Thursday, May 7, 6:30 PM
Faculty Dining Room 8th Floor West Bldg.

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 Ramírez at 5:30 pm followed by a reception at 6:15 pm.
Opening Reception & Legacy Series Talk: Thursday, May 14, 5:30 pm
Centro Gallery East Bldg. 3rd Floor Main Library Entrance

Events are subject to change.

For updated information visit us at www.centrop.org or call 212-772-5714.

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.