



Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies Bulletin Friday, February 29, 2008

NEWS!!!

5th Annual CLACS Undergraduate Conference, 3rd floor International Center, MSU. **Friday, March 14** is the (extended) deadline for submitting proposals for the conference which will take place April 16-17, 2008. Undergraduate students may submit an individual presentation proposal or organize a panel. Please visit the CLACS website for more information: <http://www.isp.msu.edu/clacs>

New CLACS scholarship for undergraduate students - Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) Scholarship for Undergraduate Study Abroad. Deadline for applications is **Friday, March 14** More information is included at the end of this bulletin and on the CLACS website: <http://www.isp.msu.edu/clacs>

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 29 - Romance Languages Spring Film Series: CAUTIVA - An Argentinean teenage girl is told that her parents are not her biological parents; instead, she discovers that she was taken from a revolutionary couple during Videla's dictatorship (in Spanish), 5:00 pm in 206 Old Horticulture, free and open to the public.

March 5 - Spring Break

March 12 - "On the politics of globalizing Latin America cinema, from Like Water for Chocolate to Babel," Dr. Joseba Gabilondo, Assistant Professor, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Michigan State University

March 19 - "The language of Black Magic: Palo Monte and Afro-Cuban ritual tongues," Dr. Armin Schwegler, Professor, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of California-Irvine

March 26 - "Women poets of Portugal and Brazil," Dr. Antonio Ladeira, Assistant Professor, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures, Texas Tech University

April 2 - "The origin(ality) of Latin American transculturation: A carnivalesque r/evolution," Dr. Song No, Assistant Professor, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Purdue University

April 9 - "Democracy and Citizenship in Latin America: Examining the Role of the Media," Dr. Manuel Alejandro Guerrero, Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico

April 16-17 - 5th Annual CLACS Undergraduate Conference, 3rd floor International Center

FELLOWSHIPS

CLACS is pleased to announce a new scholarship for undergraduate students, the **Center**

for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) Scholarship for Undergraduate Study Abroad. The deadline for applications is Friday, March 14. The competition is open to undergraduate students enrolled in the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Undergraduate Specialization and/or the Global and Areas Studies–Latin America and Caribbean major. Applicants must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. The scholarships may be used to defray the costs of an MSU-sponsored study abroad program in Latin America or the Caribbean during summer or fall semester, 2008. Financial need is not a factor in awarding these scholarships. Scholarships for variable amounts ranging from \$200-\$400 will be awarded to recipients.

Please let your students know that this is a new opportunity and we plan for this to be ongoing. More information is attached (pdf) and is available on our website: <http://www.isp.msu.edu/clacs>

Post-Doctoral Fellowships 2008-2009 - The Latin American Studies Center at the University of Maryland, College Park, is pleased to announce the competition for residential fellowships for Fall 2008 and Spring 2009. Deadline is March 15, 2008. For more information, please visit: <http://www.lasc.umd.edu/>

Library Visiting Fellowship Program 2008 - Yale University Library is pleased to invite applications for one short-term library visiting fellowship to promote scholarly use of its collections of Latin Americana. The fellowship includes a stipend of \$10,000 plus modest funds towards the cost of travel and supplies. Deadline for applications is April 4, 2008. For more information contact: <http://www.library.yale.edu/> or jean.silk@yale.edu

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

Fall 2008/Academic Year 2008-2009 Application Open – Deadline: April 15, 2008

The Gilman International Scholarship Program provides awards of up to \$5,000 for U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad for up to one academic year. The program aims to diversify the kinds of student who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go. The Gilman Program is pleased to announce an increase in the amount of awards to be given this academic year. Additionally, an increased number of \$3000 Critical Need Language Supplements are available for students studying a critical need language for a total possible award of \$8000. A list of eligible languages can be found on the Gilman website at <http://www.iie.org/gilman>. The Gilman International Scholarship Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Institute of International Education. For more information, full eligibility criteria and the online application visit: <http://www.iie.org/gilman>

CONFERENCES

InterCambio: 5th Anniversary Conference at Duke University - Raices de Esperanza's fifth anniversary conference - inter(CAMBIO) - will be a transformative experience. Hosted by Duke University's Cuban American Student Association (CASA), this three-day event will unite prominent figures that are active in the realm of Cuban-American affairs, young professionals from prominent enterprises, and students from over 44 universities. Interaction and exchange between special guests and participants will challenge and engage those that seek to immerse themselves in an atmosphere of learning and excitement. Inter(CAMBIO) will offer all who attend the opportunity to network with those who are on the forefront of initiatives supporting positive change in

Cuba as well as the chance to partake in Raices de Esperanza's latest developmental program dedicated to strengthening the bridge between youth inside and outside of Cuba. All are invited to apply. Deadline to apply is March 3. For more information visit: <http://www.dukecubaconference.com/>

Symposium: **"Persistent Divides: Marginalization and Exclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean"** sponsored by Latin American Studies Program at Grand Valley State University, March 14-15, 2008 at the Eberhard and Pew Campuses, Grand Rapids, MI. For more information visit: www.gvsu.edu/las or call 616/331-8109.

"Re-imagining the Nation, Rethinking Citizenship: Indigenous and Popular Movements in Latin America and the Caribbean." We are pleased to announce the 5th Annual Center for Latin American and Caribbean (CLACS) Studies Undergraduate Conference. The conference will take place April 16-17, 2008 in the International Center with a **keynote presentation by Dr. Leon Zamosc**, Associate Professor, University of California – San Diego, and reception on Wednesday (April 16) and student presentations all day Thursday (April 17).

The deadline for our call for presentation proposals has been extended to Friday, March 14. Presentations can be based on course papers, study abroad experiences, research projects and should have an academic focus. Students can submit an individual presentation proposal or a proposal for a panel (this needs to also include information about each panelist and presentation). Presentations can be in English, Spanish and Portuguese. Students from any major/college can participate and do not need to be in the CLACS Specialization program this is open to all. Students from other institutions are encouraged to participate. More details about the conference will be available on the CLACS website: www.isp.msu.edu/clacs

NEW STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Intensive Portuguese in Brazil - Florianópolis, Brazil - May 15 – July 10, 2008. For more information visit: <http://studyabroad.msu.edu/programs/brazilprt.html>

The Transformation of Modern Latin America and the Caribbean - Salvador Bahia, Brazil - June 7 - July 6, 2008. For more information visit: http://ntweb11.ais.msu.edu/osa_db/search.asp?cmd=e&id=102367

To have your event included in our next bulletin, send information to Kristin@msu.edu by Thursday.