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## CALL FOR PAPERS

Caribbean Studies Association  
30th Annual Conference  
May 30 - June 4, 2005  
Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

### *CARIBBEAN COOPERATION IN THE AGE OF INFORMATION SOCIETY*

- The HIV/AIDS pandemic
- Education and the Internet
- Cultural Identities / gender / race / class
- The Caribbean Diasporas and Transnational Cultural Contexts
- The Literatures of the Caribbean and its Diasporas
- Environmental Challenges to Caribbean Cooperation
- Free Trade Agreements
- Tourism, Cooperation or Competition?
- Drug Trafficking
- U.S. Caribbean Relations
- Security in the Age of Terror
- European-Caribbean Relations

Proposals should include the name, institutional affiliation, and email address of presenter, and an abstract of no more than 250 words. Submissions should be sent to the program coordinators: José Seguinot (Spanish and English), [csa2005sd@hotmail.com](mailto:csa2005sd@hotmail.com), or Justin Daniel (French and English), [csa2005@martinique.univ-ag.fr](mailto:csa2005@martinique.univ-ag.fr).

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We invite you to join us in Santo Domingo!

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Asociación De Estudios del Caribe  
30ma Conferencia Anual  
30 de mayo - 4 de junio de 2005  
Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

### *COOPERACIÓN CARIBEÑA EN LA ERA DE LA SOCIEDAD DE LA INFORMACIÓN*

- La Pandemia del VIH/SIDA
- La Educación y la Internet
- Identidades Culturales / género / raza / clase
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- Retos Ambientales a la Cooperación Caribeña
- Tratados de Libre Comercio
- Turismo, Competencia o Cooperación
- Tráfico de Drogas
- Relaciones entre el Caribe y Estados Unidos
- La Seguridad en la Era del Terror
- Relaciones entre el Caribe y Europa

Las propuestas deben incluir el nombre del proponente, afiliación institucional, correo electrónico y un resumen de no más de 250 palabras. Estas deben enviarse a los coordinadores de programa José Seguinot (español e inglés), [csa2005sd@hotmail.com](mailto:csa2005sd@hotmail.com), or Justin Daniel (francés e inglés) [csa2005@martinique.univ-ag.fr](mailto:csa2005@martinique.univ-ag.fr)

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Le invitamos a que se una a nosotros en  
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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

## Emilio Pantojas-García, University of Puerto Rico

### CSA 2005 IN SANTO DOMINGO CARIBBEAN COOPERATION IN THE AGE OF INFORMATION SOCIETY

In 2005 we will celebrate the 30th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association. It is my pleasure to invite you to come to Santo Domingo and join us in celebrating this special occasion in the life of our Association.

It is said that we live in the age of information society. Information technologies have revolutionized the way we live. Businesses are conducted globally without direct contact between buyers and sellers and without cash exchanging hands. Electronic transactions have become the way of the times. Even services such as medicine can now be offered via telecommunications. What is the impact for this revolution of knowledge and technology for the small economies of the Caribbean? Can the island economies of the Caribbean use these technologies to foster regional cooperation? Will the free flow of information make possible the ideal of pan Caribbean cooperation in a meaningful sense, or will our countries look for new alliances in telecommunications and information with the traditional metropolitan centers-the United States, the United Kingdom, France, Spain, Holland? Will our cultural divides be bridged or widened?

These are some of the questions that we invite you to examine for CSA's 30th Annual Conference in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic May 30 to June 4, 2005. The papers presented at the conference need not be limited to the central theme, other topics and subjects are welcome. We invite scholars, practitioners, students and interested persons and organizations to join us to discuss far-reaching issues and themes on culture, history, economy, society, politics, technology, and others. For further information please visit our Conference website:

<http://csa2005.fiu.edu>

We look forward to meeting you and sharing ideas with you in Santo Domingo!

### AEC 2005 EN SANTO DOMINGO COOPERACIÓN CARIBEÑA EN LA ERA DE LA SOCIEDAD DE LA INFORMACIÓN

En el 2005 celebraremos la 30ma Conferencia Anual de la Asociación de Estudios del Caribe (AEC). Para mí es un placer invitarles a que se unan a nosotros en Santo Domingo para celebrar esta ocasión tan especial en la vida de AEC.

Se dice que vivimos en la era de la sociedad de la información. Las tecnologías informáticas han revolucionado la manera en que vivimos. Los negocios se conducen de manera global sin contactos directos entre vendedores y compradores y sin que dinero en efectivo cambie de manos. Las transacciones electrónicas se han convertido en la modo principal de intercambio de esta época. Aún servicios como la medicina pueden ofrecerse hoy mediante las telecomunicaciones. ¿Cuál será impacto de esta revolución del conocimiento y la tecnología en las economías del Caribe? ¿Podrán las economías isleñas del Caribe utilizar estas tecnologías para adelantar la cooperación regional? ¿Hará posible el libre flujo de información por medios electrónicos el ideal de la cooperación pan-caribeña de forma significativa, o mirarán nuestros países hacia sus antiguos centros metropolitanos (EEUU, el Reino Unido, Francia, España y Holanda) para forjar alianzas en las áreas de telecomunicaciones e informática? ¿Se ensancharán o se reducirán las diferencias culturales que dividen al Caribe?

Estas son algunas de las preguntas que les invitamos a examinar en la 30ma Conferencia Anual de la AEC en Santo Domingo, Republica Dominicana, del 30 de Mayo 30 al 4 de Junio de 2005. Los trabajos que se presenten pueden tratar otros temas de interés para la región. Invitamos a académicos, estudiantes, activistas y otras personas interesadas, así como a otras organizaciones a unirse a nosotros para discutir una variedad de temas sobre cultura, historia, economía, sociedad, política, tecnología y otros. Para mayor información, por favor visite la página web: <http://csa2005.fiu.edu>

Esperamos con entusiasmo encontrarnos y compartir ideas con ustedes en Santo Domingo.

### CSA 2005 À SAINT-DOMINGUE LA COOPÉRATION CARAÏBE À L'ÈRE DE LA SOCIÉTÉ DE L'INFORMATION

En 2005, nous allons fêter le 30ème anniversaire de l'Association d'Etudes des Caraïbes. C'est un plaisir pour moi de vous inviter à Saint-Domingue et à nous rejoindre pour commémorer cet évènement spécial dans la vie de l'Association d'Etudes des Caraïbes.

Il est admis que nous vivons à l'ère de la société de l'information. Les technologies de l'information ont révolutionné notre mode de vie. Les affaires se font à l'échelle mondiale sans contact direct entre vendeurs et acheteurs et sans

que les e s p è c e s s o i e n t échangées entre les mains. Les t r a n s a c t i o n s é l e c t r o n i q u e s s o n t d e v e n u e s l e m o d e n o r m a l d' é c h a n g e à n o t r e é p o q u e .

Même des prestations comme la médecine peuvent être servies à partir des télécommunications. Quel est l'impact de cette révolution de la connaissance et de la technologie sur les petites économies des Caraïbes. Les économies insulaires des Caraïbes peuvent-elles utiliser ces technologies pour encourager la coopération? La libre circulation de l'information va-t-elle permettre de réaliser de manière significative l'idéal de la coopération pan caraïbe, ou nos pays rechercheront-ils de nouvelles alliances dans le domaine des télécommunications et de l'information avec les centres métropolitains traditionnels - les Etats-Unis, le Royaume Uni, la France, l'Espagne, la Hollande? Nos fossés culturels seront-ils comblés ou élargis?

Ce sont quelques une des questions que nous vous invitons à examiner à la 30ème conférence annuelle de la CSA à Saint-Domingue, en République Dominicaine du 30 mai au 4 juin 2005. Les



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

contributions à la conférence n'ont pas besoin d'être limités au thème central. D'autres sujets et thèmes sont les bienvenus. Nous invitons les universitaires, les praticiens, les étudiants, les personnes et les organisations intéressées à nous rejoindre pour discuter de questions et de thèmes d'une grande portée sur la culture, l'histoire, l'économie, la société, la politique, les technologies ou d'autres questions. Pour de plus amples informations, veuillez visiter le site web: <http://csa2005.fiu.edu>

Nous attendons de vous rencontrer et de partager des idées avec vous à Saint-Domingue.

## PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

### 29TH CONFERENCE, ST. KITTS, MAY 26, 2004

#### Frank L. Mills

I seem to recall that during my very early years as a member of CSA, one of the most rewarding features of the Association was to listen to either dynamic discourses on current themes by invited keynote speakers or to substantive presidential addresses. As I pondered during the early part of my presidential year about a meaningful topic that was worthy of attention, none seemed more compelling to me in the ambit of my current area of focus than to address the matter of the potential impact of the migrant streams that will soon be unleashed in the Caribbean Basin; hence the title, Implications of the Free Movement of Labor under Caricom's Single Market and Economy (SME).

In the face of economic globalization, the SME holds out for Caricom member states what the Treaty of Rome promises members of the European Union. In the address, it was pointed out that SME has the potential to transform the economies of the Community and thereby elevate the quality of life of the people of the region through the unrestricted movement across national borders of goods, capital and human resources.

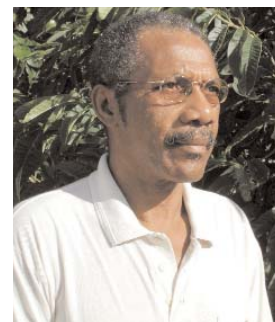
Despite the vocal enthusiasm of member governments for the concept of the free movement of labor and the recognized advantages therefrom, no Caricom state has succeeded in a full implementation of the instruments to effectuate the spirit of the free movement. A singular challenge for Caricom's states is their attempt to create a single economy with several currencies, and the maintenance of their national frontiers with maximum national sovereignty. These positions are inherently contradictory to the easy movement of capital and services.

The ideologies of sovereignty and citizenship must necessarily be revisited in the face of the impending transnational migratory flows. As the number of immigrant settlers increases in Caricom states, the basket of human rights that any resident can claim will tend to erode the legitimacy of the state. Jurists in the developed countries increasingly turn to international human rights law to manage foreign populations that they could not readily deal with in the usual citizen-foreigner distinction. These processes cumulatively serve to undermine the exclusive authority of the state, and thus the salience of national sovereignty and citizenship.

It was argued the term Caribbean diaspora may soon become a misnomer, largely because the term implies a common people with a common homeland and traditions. But with today's ease of communication and transportation that facilitates frequent return trips, it is more appropriate to conceptualize the borderless, deterritorialized state: that is, a Caribbean native may live anywhere in the world outside his or her homeland but still effectively live in the state. Transnationalism thus captures the essence of the immersion of moun deyò-o-a borrowed Haitian term for Haitians abroad-in their host societies and in their country of origin. Transnational practices and the increasing incidence of dual citizenship give rise to questions about the way that immigrants perceive their identities and about their loyalty to their adopted homelands.

While at the individual level one tends to think of remittances as relatively small sums sent to kinfolk in the sending country, on a collective national scale this may translate into hundreds of millions of dollars annually for some Caribbean countries. So important has this stream of income from the moun deyò-o become that for some states their creditworthiness is adjusted on the basis of expected monetary remittances.

In the final analysis, the implications of the free movement of labor in Caricom states under SME promise a great deal to uplift the quality of life in the region. But there are several other attendant consequences that impact on sovereignty, citizenship, transnational practices and migrant incorporation to which regional political leaders should begin to sensitize their constituents.



## REPÚBLICA DOMINICANA EN LA PERSPECTIVA CARIBEÑA

Embajador Pablo A. Maríñez

Finales de la década de 1990 tiene un significado especial en la política exterior dominicana. En esa fecha, el Presidente de la República, Dr. Leonel Fernández, lanza una Alianza Estratégica

## THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC IN THE CARIBBEAN PERSPECTIVE

Ambassador Pablo A. Maríñez

The late 1990s have a special significance in Dominican foreign policy. During this period, Dominican President Dr. Leonel Fernández, launched a Strategic Alliance among the countries of

entre los países de Centroamérica y del Caribe, con el objetivo de hacer realidad y fortalecer el trabajo que venía realizando la Asociación de Estados del Caribe, con miras a lograr una mayor integración en lo que vendría a denominarse el Gran Caribe. Con tal propósito se realizaron una serie de cumbres regionales; posteriormente República Dominicana firmó un tratado de libre comercio con los países centroamericanos; más tarde firmó otro tratado de libre comercio con los países del Caribe. De esta manera el puente entre Centroamérica y el Caribe había sido establecido, a la vez que República Dominicana expresaba su vocación caribeña, al estrechar sus relaciones políticas, económicas y comerciales tanto con los países de CARICOM, como con los del SICA, Sistema de Integración Centroamericano.

Existen diversos antecedentes de la vocación caribeña de la elite intelectual y política dominicana, aunque los mismos no se habían traducido en una política de Estado. Por ello República Dominicana seguía siendo un "país ausente de la región del Caribe", como lo titulaba en primera plana el primer número del periódico Panorama Caribe (marzo de 1983), una publicación de Estudios y Documentación del Caribe, justamente uno de los muchos esfuerzos realizados por la elite intelectual dominicana por estudiar la región del Caribe. Un esfuerzo de no menor importancia, durante muchos años, ha sido el del Centro de Investigación Económica, CIECA, así como el de la Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, FLACSO, a través de diversas publicaciones y eventos, incluyendo el desarrollo de estudios de postgrado en "Relaciones Internacionales en la Cuenca del Caribe". Dentro de esta misma vocación no podemos dejar de mencionar la ya clásica obra de Juan Bosch, publicada en 1970, *De Cristóbal Colón a Fidel Castro. El Caribe, frontera imperial*, la que por coincidencia lleva el mismo título de la que también publicara en esa fecha Eric Williams, primer ministro de Trinidad Tobago. Nos referimos a *From Columbus to Castro. The History of the Caribbean, 1492-1969*.

Dentro de estas inquietudes por estrechar las relaciones de República Dominicana con el Caribe, la Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo, FUNGLODE, presidida por el Dr. Leonel Fernández, en coordinación con The American Assembly, organizó a finales de enero de 2004 el evento "El Caribe en el Siglo XXI". Fue en este encuentro donde se hizo realidad, en conversación sostenida con el Dr. Leonel Fernández, el Dr. Emilio Pantojas, y quien suscribe, la idea de organizar en República Dominicana la 30ª Conferencia Anual de Caribbean Studies Association. El entusiasmo manifestado y el apoyo ofrecido de inmediato por el Dr. Leonel Fernández, fue total.

Por ello, después de 21 años de la celebración de la 8ª Conferencia Anual de CSA en nuestro país, en 1983, periodo en el que se han producido importantes cambios internacionales, República Dominicana siente un gran honor en recibir y acoger fraternalmente a tan distinguidos estudiosos del Caribe, en la seguridad de que el debate que se producirá en esta 30ª Conferencia Anual de CSA contribuirá a fortalecer la unidad, y esclarecer el papel que debe jugar la región ante los múltiples retos surgidos en esta etapa de la globalización.

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the Caribbean and Central America, aimed at strengthening and making a reality the work of the Association of Caribbean States towards greater integration of what will become know as the Greater Caribbean. As part of these initiatives the Dominican government organized a series of regional summits and signed free trade agreements with Central American and Caribbean countries. Thus a bridge between Central America and the Caribbean was established, while the Dominican Republic affirmed its Caribbean allegiance by tightening its political, economic and commercial relations with both CARICOM (Caribbean Community) and SICA (Central American Integration System).

There are precedents of the Caribbean allegiance of the Dominican intellectual and political elite, although this affinity was never instituted into the state's policy. Hence, until the 1990s the Dominican Republic was "an absent country in the [Caribbean] region", as the headline of the first number of Panorama del Caribe proclaimed on March 1983. Panorama del Caribe was precisely a publication dedicated to the study and documentation of the Caribbean, one of the many efforts of the Dominican intellectual elite to learn about the Caribbean region. Of no less importance during many years have been the work of the Centro de Investigación Económica (CIECA, Economic Research Center), and the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences), that have developed various publications on the Caribbean, organized many events and created a graduate program in "International Relations of the Caribbean Basin". This "Caribbean call" is also exemplified by the classic book of Juan Bosch, *De Cristóbal Colón a Fidel Castro. El Caribe, frontera imperial*, published in 1970-which bears a title similar to the book published on that same year by Trinidad and Tobago's Prime Minister Eric Williams, *From Columbus to Castro. The History of the Caribbean, 1492-1969*.

In the context of this search for ways to strengthen relations between the Dominican Republic and the countries of the Caribbean, the Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo, (FUNGLODE, Global Foundation Democracy and Development), headed by Dominican President Dr. Leonel Fernández, and The American Assembly, organized the meeting "The Caribbean in the XXI Century" on January 2004. Out of the exchanges on that meeting between Dr. Leonel Fernández, Dr. Emilio Pantojas (CSA President), and myself came the idea of hosting the 30th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association in Santo Domingo. Dr. Fernández expressed immediately FUNGLODE's full and enthusiastic support of the idea.

Thus, 21 years after the 8th Annual Conference was held in Santo Domingo, in 1983, and after many important international changes, CSA returns. The Dominican Republic feels honored to welcome and host the distinguished scholars, practitioners and students of the Caribbean gathered in the CSA, knowing that the debates produced at the 30th Annual Conference will contribute to strengthen Caribbean unity and the role of the region in confronting the challenges raised by this stage of the process of globalization.

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## THE CSA SECRETARIAT

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**Emilio Pantojas García**

**T**he CSA Secretary Treasurer, Dr. E. Valerie Smith resigned effective October 30, 2004. Council accepted her resignation unanimously formalizing it in a letter sent to her on November 30, 2004. The problems that have besieged the secretariat pre-date the tenure of Dr. Smith. They concern three main areas: (1) keeping updated membership lists; (2) sending regular communications, including ballots for the election of the Executive Council; (3) providing up to date financial statements and filing audited financial reports. These problems have not been solved and continue to besiege CSA. We are in the process of getting an updated financial report of the CSA Secretariat with the assistance of the Office of Internal Audit of Florida Gulf Coast University.

The informal motto of my presidency has been "Getting everyone rowing in the same direction". It is my aim to try to deal with the most urgent problems confronted by the organization. We have already collected and began work on the membership lists. All of those that are or have been members of CSA will be getting the newsletter. We are hoping that all of you will see that we are serious in our effort to restore the flow of communication and that you are provided access to CSA information and material in return for the dues you pay.

We will be dealing with organizing the election process in the January meeting of Council. In the past two years there were issues of timeliness in distributing the ballots, ensuring the secrecy of the votes and achieving substantial participation. We shall also deal with the relocation of the secretariat and will report to the membership in the next newsletter.

CSA has survived through thick and thin thanks to the loyalty and commitment of its members. In 2005 we shall celebrate our 30th anniversary in Santo Domingo feeling proud of this milestone.

## EL SECRETARIADO DE LA AEC

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**Emilio Pantojas García**

**L**a Secretaria-Tesorera de la AEC, Dra. E. Valerie Smith renunció a su puesto con vigencia el 30 de octubre de 2004. El Consejo Ejecutivo aceptó unánimemente la renuncia y formalizó dicha decisión en carta enviada el 30 de noviembre de 2004. Los problemas que aquejan al secretariado anteceden la gestión de la Dra. Smith. Estos se concentran en tres áreas: (1) mantenimiento al día de las listas de membresía; (2) el flujo regular de comunicaciones, incluyendo los envíos de papeletas para las elecciones del Consejo Ejecutivo; (3) la radicación de informes financieros al día y de informes financieros auditados. Estos problemas no han sido resueltos y continúan aquejando a la AEC. Nos encontramos en el proceso de obtener un informe financiero al día del Secretariado de la AEC con la asistencia de la Oficina de Auditoría Interna de la Universidad del Golfo de la Costa de la Florida.

El lema informal de mi presidencia ha sido "rememos en la misma dirección". Me propongo intentar resolver algunos de los problemas más urgentes que confronta la organización. Ya hemos comenzado a trabajar para poner al día las listas de miembros. Aquellos que son o han sido miembros de la AEC recibirán este número de nuestro boletín. Deseamos con ello demostrarles la seriedad de nuestro esfuerzo para restaurar el flujo de comunicación con la membresía y de que en el futuro recibirán información y materiales a cambio de la cuota de membresía que ustedes pagan.

En nuestra próxima reunión de enero estaremos diseñando una estrategia para el proceso de elección de miembros del Consejo Ejecutivo. En los últimos dos años ha habido quejas sobre la distribución tardía de papeletas, la falta de secretividad y el número de personas que votan. También estaremos discutiendo el procedimiento para relocalizar el secretariado e informaremos a nuestros miembros en el próximo boletín.

La Asociación de Estudios del Caribe ha sobrevivido tiempos difíciles gracias a la lealtad y compromiso de sus miembros. En el 2005 celebraremos nuestro 30mo aniversario en Santo Domingo sintiéndonos orgullosos de este logro.

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## ADVISORY TO CSA CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

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**I**n addition to actively participating in the panels and events that have been organized for the XXX annual meeting of the CSA, the members of the Executive Council want to advise conference participants and their guests of the following: In case of an emergency of a medical or legal nature the CSA cannot assume responsibility for the welfare and well being of its members or their guests. The CSA does not have the resources or ability to provide legal or medical assistance. Furthermore, we cannot assume responsibility or liability for the conduct of the members of our Association. To the extent possible, the CSA will provide referrals to medical and legal services to individuals in need, and members of the Council will endeavor to provide any and all reasonable forms of assistance to individuals experiencing difficulties. However, the willingness of members of the Council or individual CSA members to provide assistance should not be interpreted as an assumption of accountability or liability. We encourage our members to use good judgment and to take the appropriate precautions when traveling in a foreign country. We also encourage our members to travel with the names and contact information of family members or friends who can be contacted in case of an emergency. Members with particular concerns can notify their embassy or consulate shortly after their arrival in the host country. In case of an emergency, the CSA Secretariat will endeavor to provide assistance in making such contacts for members in need.

The CSA affirms the rights of its members to participate in the meetings and activities of the association without fear of harassment, discrimination or mistreatment of any kind. The CSA does not condone or tolerate behavior that discriminates on the basis of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, physical disability, or language. Though the CSA does not have the means to enforce its commitment to maintaining a discrimination-free environment during our meetings, the members of the Council encourage participants to notify an officer or member of the Council if they believe their rights have been infringed upon during the course of our meetings.

# THE BARBARA T. CHRISTIAN LITERARY AWARD

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*"What I write and how I write is done in order to save my life. Literature is a way of knowing that I am not hallucinating, that whatever I feel/know is. It is an affirmation that sensuality is intelligence, that sensual language is language that makes sense."*

-Barbara Christian

**T**he Barbara T. Christian Literary Award was established in 2001 to celebrate Dr. Christian's intellectual legacy in black feminist literary criticism. A \$500.00 cash award and certificate will go to the best undergraduate or graduate paper in literature on any topic submitted for presentation to the CSA conference. The awardee must attend the CSA conference.

Submissions (not to exceed 30 pages total) should be sent electronically not later than three weeks prior to the CSA conference to the Award Chair, Dr. Irma McClaurin at [imcclaurin@att.net](mailto:imcclaurin@att.net). The author's name should appear on the title page only. Authors must include a separate abstract and indicate the paper's title on each numbered page. A committee will select the winner, who will be announced at the CSA Author's Night Program.

## WINNER OF THE CSA GORDON K. & SYBIL LEWIS AWARD ANNOUNCED

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**Professor Jean Stubbs, Professor Ivelaw L. Griffith, and Dr. Cora Christian**

**T**he Caribbean Studies Association is pleased to announce the 2004 Gordon K. & Sybil Lewis Award, the first to be named as such. The Award now honours not one but two distinguished Caribbeanists, in commemoration of the sad physical loss but continuing memory and legacy of Sybil Lewis as well as Gordon K. Lewis. It is a particular honour to announce this year's award in the presence of their son, David Lewis. It is also an occasion to announce the launch at the Conference the reprint of three Gordon K. Lewis classics: The Growth of the Modern West Indies and Puerto Rico: Economic Freedom and Power in the Caribbean (Ian Randle Press) and Main Currents in Caribbean Thought: The Historical Evolution of Caribbean Society in its Ideological Aspects, 1492-1900 (University of Nebraska Press); the establishment of the Gordon K. & Sybil Lewis Collection at the University of Puerto Rico; and most specially the Lewis family donation of US\$5,000 for a monetary award in successive years. This amount is to be matched by CSA in a fund-raising drive.

According to established criteria, the nominated book Gordon K. & Sybil Lewis Award should approach the chosen subject or aspect of Caribbean life, conditions and situations from an interdisciplinary perspective; should clearly be shown to have regional impact; and may be written in any of the four major languages of the Caribbean - Dutch, English, French, or Spanish. Monographs encompassing all disciplines and fields of Caribbean scholarship are considered, and preference given to books written by one or more authors as opposed to edited volumes. Books are judged on originality, depth of research, advance of methodology or theory, and extent to which a Pan-Caribbean problem or issue is addressed (a case study that affects Caribbean people in general is acceptable).

The Selection Committee of three Past Presidents, comprising Jean Stubbs, Ivelaw Griffith and Cora Christian, received a record number of 53 submissions of books published in 2001, 2002 and 2003. The submissions came from a total of 24 publishers, several sending multiple submissions. The breakdown of titles by language was English 42, Spanish 8, French 1, Dutch 1, and a bilingual Papiamentu/English 1. The Selection Committee concur that the quality and scope of the submissions testify to the vitality of Caribbean publishing, and also made ours no easy task, albeit stimulating and rewarding for the excellence of the scholarship contained therein. In their entirety, the submissions offer reason to be confident about the future of Caribbean Studies with demonstrable theoretical innovation, methodological rigour, and empirical creativity across the generational and disciplinary spectra, by both senior and junior scholars.

It is with great pleasure that, on behalf of the Selection Committee, I announce that the prize for this year's Gordon K. & Sybil Lewis Award is shared between: **Maureen Warner-Lewis** and **Humberto García Muñiz and Gloria Vega Rodríguez**.

- **Maureen Warner-Lewis**, Central Africa in the Caribbean: Transcending Time, Transforming Culture (UWI Press, 2003)

*This work is a copious examination of elements of the cultural and historical nexus between societies in Central Africa and the Caribbean Basin. The result of obviously prodigious primary- and secondary-source research over several years, this work falls squarely in the Lewis tradition in its geographic scope and disciplinary amplitude. As regards the former, while, understandably, there is variability in the extent to which it deals with specific Caribbean societies, the research landscape is pan-Caribbean. The discourse is even extended in places to sections of Brazil. In relation to disciplinary scope, this work is not just a treatise in cultural studies, but also a work that would resonate with the fields of cultural anthropology, history, and linguistics, among other areas. Moreover, the author has an engaging writing style, which should make the book both interesting to and comprehensible to those who are not expert in the relevant fields.*

- **Humberto García Muñiz and Gloria Vega Rodríguez**, La ayuda militar como negocio: Estados Unidos y el Caribe (Ediciones Callejón, 2002)

*This impressive study reflects a breath and scope of research that places a high premium on originality of sources and diver-*

city of sources in terms of language and origin. While primarily a work in security studies, it also is a study that makes an invaluable contribution to the areas of foreign policy, international relations, and history (in relation to US-Caribbean relations). The authors employ a methodology that combines broad thematic analysis with country case studies, notably in relation to Cuba, the Dominican Republic, and Jamaica, and they make valuable use of quantitative data, in the form of tables and figures, to amplify the narrative analysis. In so doing, they stand firmly in the Lewis tradition. They are also to be credited for avoiding jargonese, which is a tendency of writers in security and foreign policy studies.

Honorable Mentions also go to **Robert Carr** and **Stephanie Palmié**.

- **Robert Carr**, Black Nationalism in the New World: Reading the African-American and West Indian Experience (Duke University Press, 2002)

*This book provides an insightful approach to Black Nationalism in the vein and style of the Lewis pan-Caribbean thematic framework. It relocates the region in the conceptual design of nationalism in a global space. The book adopts themes from various works and ties them into a Caribbean perspective. There is a connectivity and sensitivity in the work, which provides an innovative cultural critique of nationalism and the national identity in the Caribbean.*

- **Stephan Palmié**, Wizards and Scientists: Explorations in Afro-Cuban Modernity and Tradition (Duke University Press, 2002)

*This is a conceptually innovative work, which, through the very specific exploration of Afro-Cuban oracle and historical divination, interrogates the narrative path from tradition to modernity, passion to reason. Afro-Cuban religious thinking is no more 'irrational' than Western rationality and as 'modern' as the Caribbean itself. While it is Afro-Cuban at its center, it nevertheless transcends the narrow focus of a one-nation and one theme, very much in the Lewis tradition.*

## CONVOCATORIA: PREMIO CARMEN GAUTIER MAYORAL

### MEJOR LIBRO EN CASTELLANO SOBRE EL CARIBE EN CIENCIAS SOCIALES E HISTORIA

La Asociación de Estudios del Caribe invita a publicadores y autores a someter libros publicados entre 2001 y 2004 para consideración del premio Carmen Gautier Mayoral. Los libros presentados deberán pertenecer al campo de las ciencias sociales e historia, tratar temas del Caribe como región o de un país o población caribeña (incluyendo las diásporas) estudiadas en un contexto caribeño. El premio consistirá de \$1,000 y será presentado en la 30ma conferencia anual de la AEC el 3 de junio de 2005, en los actos de clausura. No se considerarán antologías, ni números especiales de revistas. Los libros pueden tener más de un autor pero deben constituir una pieza monográfica.

Los criterios principales de evaluación serán:

- Aportación a los estudios caribeños
- Calidad de la investigación
- Pertinencia del tema
- Calidad de la escritura

La Dra. Carmen Gautier Mayoral fue Profesora de Ciencias Políticas de la Universidad de Puerto Rico, Directora del Centro de Investigaciones Sociales de esa institución y Coordinadora del Grupo de Relaciones Internacionales del Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO). Estimuló y practicó el trabajo interdisciplinario en las ciencias sociales y la cooperación e intercambio académico entre los diversos grupos lingüísticos del Caribe. La familia Bhatia Gautier y la AEC honran con este premio su memoria y pretenden estimular la continuación de su obra.

## CALL: CARMEN GAUTIER MAYORAL AWARD

### BEST BOOK WRITTEN IN SPANISH ON THE CARIBBEAN IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HISTORY

The Caribbean Studies Association invites submissions from publishers and authors of books published between 2001 and 2004 to be considered for the Carmen Gautier Mayoral Award. The books submitted shall be from the social sciences and history and their subject shall deal with the Caribbean as a region, specific Caribbean countries or issues affecting the Caribbean populations (including the diasporas). The prize will consist of \$1,000 and will be presented at the 30th Annual Conference of CSA on June 3, 2005 during CSA Night. The Committee will not consider anthologies or readers or special issues of journals. The books may have more than one author but should be monographic.

The core evaluation criteria will be:

- Contribution to the field of Caribbean Studies
- Quality of research
- Relevance of the subject
- Quality of writing

Dr. Carmen Gautier Mayoral was Professor of Political Science at the University of Puerto Rico, Director of the Centro de Investigaciones Sociales in that institution and Coordinator of the Caribbean International Relations Group of the Latin American Council on Social Sciences (CLACSO). She promoted and practiced interdisciplinary research in the social sciences as well as academic cooperation and exchanges by the different linguistic areas of the Caribbean. The Bhatia Gautier family and the CSA wish to honor her memory and promote the continuation of her work.

# MEMBERSHIP AND PRE-REGISTRATION

## MEMBRESÍA Y PRE-INSCRIPCIÓN

All presenters, chairs, and discussants must be CSA members. Membership must be paid with pre-registration.

*Todos los panelistas, moderadores y comentaristas tienen que ser miembros de la AEC. La membresía debe ser pagada junto con la pre-inscripción.*

All checks must be in US Dollars, drawn on a US bank, made payable to either Caribbean Studies Association or CSA. Please send checks, and properly filled membership and pre-registration forms to the following address:

*Los cheques enviados deben ser en Dólares EEUU, de un banco estadounidense, pagadero a Caribbean Studies Association o CSA. Favor de mandar cheques a la siguiente dirección :*

Les cheques devront être en Dollars \$US, (tirer d'une banque Américaine), mandat postal, ou mandat international. Ecrivez votre cheque a l'ordre de CSA. Veuillez envoyer cette fiche d'adhésion accompagnée du mandat, adressez-les au:

Dr. Emilio Pantojas García, President  
Caribbean Studies Association  
PO Box 21606  
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00931

## CARIBBEAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

\_\_\_Subscription/Subscripción/Abonnement      \_\_\_Renewal/Renovación/Renouvellement      Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Name/Nombre/Nom \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Dirección/Adresse \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/Telefono (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX/Telecopia/Telecopie \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address/Dirección Electrónica/Adresse Electronique:\_\_\_\_\_

Institutional Affiliation/Afiliación del Instituto/Affiliation Institutionnelle:\_\_\_\_\_

Address/Dirección Profesional/Adresse Professionnelle:\_\_\_\_\_

Field or Discipline/Disciplina/Specialite:\_\_\_\_\_

Highest Degree Obtained/Titulo Mayor/Diplome:\_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace/Lugar de Nacimiento/Lieu de Naissance:\_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship/Ciudadanía/Citoyennete:\_\_\_\_\_

Specific Interest in Caribbean/Interés Específico en el Caribe/Interets Specifiques aux Caraibes:  
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Membership fees, Individuals - includes subscription to CSA Newsletter

*Asociación incluye una subscripción para el boletín de CSA*

*La tariff d'adhésion inclut un abonment au bulletin du CSA.*

1-Year Membership (Asociación de 1 año/abonnement au bulletin an)

Residing in the Caribbean Basin/Con residencia en el Caribe/Avec residence aux Caribes..... US \$50

Non-Caribbean Basin residents/Sin Residencia en el Caribe/Sans Residence aux Caribes..... US \$65

Student Membership (only with enclosed copy of student ID) ..... US \$25

*Asociación de Estudiante (con carné de identificación)/Adhesion d'etudiant (avec une copie de carte d'etudiant)*

Personal Donation for travel grants/Donación para becas de viaje ..... US \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed/ Cantidad incluida/Montant inclus US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# CONFERENCE PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

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## THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONFERENCE HOTEL HILTON SANTO DOMINGO MAY 30 - JUNE 4 , 2005

### RATES FOR THE 2005 CONFERENCE

**Pre-Registration deadline: April 30th, 2005**

**Pre-Registration Rates,**  
*Effective until April 30th, 2005*

Student Member	US \$50
Student Non-Member	US \$75
Regular Member	US \$100
Non Member	US \$125

**On-Site Registration Rates**

Student Member	US \$70
Student Non-Member	US \$100
Regular Member	US \$120
Non-Member	US \$140
Local Participants Students	EC\$ 25
Local Participants Regular	EC \$50

**All Checks must be drawn on a US Bank, made payable to either the Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) and sent to the Secretariat at the following address:**

Dr. Emilio Pantojas García, President  
Caribbean Studies Association  
PO Box 21606  
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00931

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I would like to pre-register for the 2005 conference. Enclosed is a check (drawn on a US bank), a postal money order, or an international money order for:

US\$100 Regular Member                       US\$50 Student Member (enclose copy of student ID)  
 US\$125 Non-member                               US\$75 Student Non-Member (enclose copy of student ID)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution/University/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

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## Christine Ho

A meeting of the CSA Executive Council was held August 20-21, 2004 in Miami, Florida, thanks to the generous hospitality of Dr. Eduardo Gamarra, Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Center at Florida International University. LACC graciously provided the space for us to meet in the Green Library, and lunches to allow us to maximize our time together. Present were Immediate Past President, Frank Mills; current President Emilio Pantojas; President-Elect Pedro Noguera; 2004 Program Chair, June Soomer; current Council members Percy Hintzen and Brian Meeks, as well as newly-elected members Dwaine Plaza and Christine Ho. Unfortunately, Council members Anton Allahar, Patricia Mohammed and Secretary Treasurer Valerie Smith were unable to attend.

On the first day, Emilio welcomed everyone to Miami and declared that the theme for his presidency will be "Getting the boat rowing in one direction". In short, his aim will be to be a caretaker and to resolve problems that date back to the year 2000.

## THE CSA SECRETARIAT

The first order of business was the problems in the structure of the CSA organization, a problem dating back to the year 2000 that has crippled the organization's forward progress. The main difficulty has been obtaining a report on the state of CSA finances as well as CSA membership lists from the Secretary-Treasurer. The Immediate Past President noted that under his Presidency, he had waited for twelve months for the same reports from the Belize conference and they were never delivered. Up to the time of the Council meeting in Miami, although assurances were made that a financial report and certified financial statements were in the mail, they did not arrive and were never received by any members of the executive in time for the meeting.

The Secretariat's inability to produce the financial report presented two problems: (1) It was in violation of the agreement between CSA and the Florida Gulf Coast University; (2) it was in violation of a Council resolution requesting a financial report with certified bank statements. With regard to the question of how to get the membership lists, the concern was that communication with the membership had been irregular and there were abundant complaints about not getting information. The record shows clearly that support and encouragement were given by the Executive Council to the Secretary-Treasurer and that offers to assist were made.

A series of motions were passed requesting the filing of financial reports and the sharing of the lists with members of the Executive Council to work on updating them. Moreover, the CSA Executive Council authorized CSA President, Emilio Pantojas, to assume all responsibilities of the CSA Secretary-Treasurer, on a pro-tempore basis. The President and the Executive Council requested that the Immediate Past CSA Program Chair, June Soomer, assume the financial responsibility of the CSA, on a pro-tempore basis, until the current financial issues related to the CSA Secretary-Treasurer are resolved. Ms. Soomer is managing the CSA finances and will open an account with Immediate Past President, Frank Mill as co-signer.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

The Past Program Chair, June Soomer presented the Council with a comprehensive financial report from the St Kitts Conference. She brought with her two checks from the Marriott Hotel for \$19,349.70; from the Bank of St. Kitts \$13,464.28; \$2,000 in cash and checks for \$900 and \$207.84 from the USVI. The sum total she had in cash and checks from the St Kitts conference was \$37,788. 78. In addition, June said that the local committee raised funds from the conference, which amounted to \$10,000. This money was to be used as a donation to a children's home in St Kitts. This did not include pre-registration monies sent by the membership directly to the Secretary-Treasurer at FGCU.

## THE CONSTITUTION

The CSA Constitution and the last CSA election were discussed. It was noted that a constitutional amendment of 1994 setting staggered terms for Executive Council members was not being followed. According to the 1994 Constitution elections shall be held every year, but in any given year, half the Council members would stand down, vacating positions for new members, while the other half would be serving the final year of their two-year terms. This would permit continuity and institutional memory within the association.

To comply with the 1994 Constitution a resolution was passed stating that: "In view of the fact that during the transition of the Secretariat [in 2002-2003] a misunderstanding of the Constitution arose regarding elections, those members serving their second year of their term would stand down, allowing new members to be elected to ensure the restoration of staggered terms." The result will be that in 2005, Brian Meeks, Percy Hintzen and Anton Allahar will step down from Council, while Dwaine Plaza, Christine Ho and Patricia Mohammad will complete the last year of their two-year terms. This motion was passed unanimously.

## MEMBERS DIRECTORY

There was a discussion on the preparation of a Directory of the Membership, which had been assembled by Michael Campbell and Silvia Potter before the Secretariat was transferred to FGCU but was not yet complete. Dwaine Plaza and Christine Ho offered to complete the directory in electronic form.

## EMERGENCIES AND CONTINGENCIES

There were discussions on the need for protocols for emergencies and contingencies. After the experience of the arrest of a conference

participant on false allegations the majority feeling of the CSA Executive was that the CSA was unprepared for what happened, although many of our members individually went beyond the call of duty to help. It was decided that a letter will be included in the CSA conference package, reminding members that while CSA will honor its ethical responsibilities to its members, it cannot be legally responsible or liable for the incidents outside the conference venue. A list of embassies and their phone numbers, as well as numbers for medical emergencies and other contingencies will be provided to members.

## **STUDENT PARTICIPATION**

A report on student participation was submitted by Kristen Ghodsee and Dwaine Plaza. The 2004 CSA conference saw a dramatic increase in the number of graduate and undergraduate student delegates attending and presenting at the conference. Credit was given to Immediate Past President Frank Mills for setting this as one of the goals of his tenure. The major issues for students at the St Kitts Conference and suggestions for improving future student participation are: cheaper accommodations and cheaper food options; the need to integrate students into the "regular" panels; the need to keep student registration significantly lower; the need to continue proactive recruitment of students.

## **AWARDS**

On the second day of the meeting, the following awards were reported on. (1) The Gordon K. and Sybil Lewis Award. This award gives \$1,000 per year to the author of the best scholarly book on the Caribbean. The Lewis family has set up a \$5,000 fund to be matched by \$5,000 from the CSA to carry the award further to 2015. David Lewis (son) would like to create a more flexible awards committee to deal with the diversity of submissions. (2) The Barbara T. Christian Award grants \$500 to the best undergraduate/graduate paper on Literature. The award is languishing with virtually no submissions, perhaps because the exclusive focus on Literature is too narrow and limiting. (3) The Ransford Palmer Award, proposing to provide \$1,000 to scholars under 40 who produce distinguished work on the Caribbean and/or its diaspora, was discussed but needs further discussion. (4) The Carmen Gautier Award. The Gautier family has created a \$1000 endowment for the best book in the Human Sciences published from 2001-2004. There will be a call for books from Spanish publishers throughout the region. There will be a 3-member committee made up of those who are familiar with Carmen Gautier's work.

## **CSA 2005**

The 2005 CSA conference will be held in Santo Domingo, and will be co-sponsored by FUNGLODE (Fundación Global para el Desarrollo). FUNGLODE was founded by the President of the Dominican Republic, Dr. Leonel Fernández. It was suggested that the CSA President get local university sponsorship and encourage local academics to attend. Local university sponsorship might also get Dominican scholars to rejoin the CSA. There were suggestions to encourage Haitian scholars to participate and that a cultural excursion should be organized for CSA members to become acquainted with the history and culture of the D.R. Another proposal was to invite a world known Caribbean intellectual, such as Derek Walcott, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, etc, to be the keynote speaker to draw more people to CSA. Because the 2005 CSA conference will coincide with the 30th anniversary of CSA, the President would like to pay tribute to all past CSA presidents who are still alive. They would all be invited, at their own expense. Some of them are now in high positions, such as Jorge Heine who is now Chilean Ambassador to India and Ambassador Simon Hendricks Jones. They would be honored with a plaque expressing gratitude for their service to CSA.

## **NEWSLETTER**

The report on the CSA newsletter highlighted that it was delivered for the first time in a completely electronic format. It took a long time for the newsletter to be linked to the CSA web site at FGCU but this was finally accomplished. The editors will work on securing more support to newsletter. Future editions of the newsletter shall include such items as a full accounting of the CSA books which includes conference revenues; a call for papers; awards notices; announcements of past CSA award winners. We might also consider conducting a survey of our membership about the effectiveness of the newsletter and its mode of delivery to members.

# **REPORT ON STUDENT PARTICIPATION AT THE ST. KITTS CSA MEETING 2004**

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**Kristen Ghodsee and Dwaine Plaza**

**T**he 2004 CSA meetings in St Kitts saw a dramatic increase in the number of graduate and undergraduate student delegates attending and presenting at the conference. Credit for this increased participation in student delegates has to be given to the outgoing President Frank Mills who set as a goal 50 new student members for 2004. By the time the conference got underway that mark was reached and surpassed. President Mills gave the task of increasing student membership to Kristen Ghodsee and Dwaine Plaza in the fall of 2003. Working together Kristen and Dwaine went about contacting relevant organizations, schools and NGOs across the United

States, Great Britain, the Caribbean and Canada. They sent each identified organization a generic email letter detailing the goals of the association, the theme of the 2004 conference, and the desire to increase student participation. Also attached to the email letter was the CSA St Kitts poster with a call for papers and a revised deadline for submission.

Prior to the conference, there were considerable efforts made by Kristen to make upgrades and additions to the official CSA website with information relevant for students. This included information on how to present papers at academic conferences, tips on networking and information about academic job searches. This addition to the CSA web site is still a work in progress and we encourage all CSA members to send Valerie Smith (CSA secretariat) any new materials pertinent to students.

From the very first day of the St Kitts conference the students had a program set up for them. This included a series of relevant activities designed to make them feel more comfortable and welcome. The student activities included: a welcome panel, a panel on how to get an academic job, a series of student paper panels, a senior scholar mentorship program (aunties/ uncles), and encouragement by the local committee to participate in the CSA nightly social events. In addition, Lindsey Herbert an advisor from the University of California Berkeley was available to students to talk about graduate programs and academic job searches in North America. There was also a great deal of informal mentoring taking place which involved CSA members meeting up with students to discuss dissertation topics, theoretical ideas and publishing their work.

If you attended last year's conference you will agree that the undergraduate and graduate student members who participated in the meetings brought fresh ideas and perspectives to study of the Caribbean. As an association we need to continue to cultivate and mentor these new young scholars because they represent the future life blood of our association.

We have set as this year's goal to attract an additional 50 new student members to the conference in the Dominican Republic. We would like to call on all members of the CSA to help spread the word about the conference and to encourage graduate and undergraduate students you might be currently working with or mentoring to attend next years meetings. We would also like to encourage any current CSA member to volunteer to be an "aunty or uncle" mentor at the 2005 conference. Last years mentors included Jean Stubbs, Anton Allahar, Pedro Noguera, Percy Hintzen, and Brian Meeks. If you are interested in playing such a role next year, please contact Dwaine Plaza (dplaza@oregonstate.edu). He will be coordinating the 2005 CSA student program to match up the new scholars with some of the senior scholars who can show them the ropes.

Despite our best efforts to be successful at welcoming and inclusive to the new crop of CSA student members in 2004 we still have room for improvement for the 2005 Conference in the Dominican Republic. Below the CSA executive has identified a number of areas we will continue to try and improve upon for next year's meetings.

- There is a need to find cheaper accommodation options for students.
- There is a need for the CSA executive to do an advance scouting report on where to find cheaper food options. This could be listed in a welcome letter that goes into the CSA conference bags.
- There is a need to integrate the student participants into the regular program. When the students are segregated into "student only panels" this results in the students not getting a very big audience to hear their papers or critique their ideas.
- There is a need to continue to keep student registration subsidized (significantly lower) than a regular membership.
- There is a need for the 2005 conference to continue the effort of proactive recruitment of students. This will need to include an early email sent out announcing the conference and our special efforts to accommodate students.
- There is a need to continue the workshop on how to get an academic job. Diana Thorburn from UWI in Jamaica has agreed to organize it with new people next year. Related to that we might also try and organize a panel on teaching Caribbean studies.
- There is a need to expand the CSA "aunty and uncle" mentoring program with the addition of volunteer senior mentors.

## **STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR PROGRAMME COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JULY 2004**

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**T**he following is the statement of income and expenditure for the Programme Committee for the 29th annual conference of the Caribbean Studies Association. For the period ending 30th July 2004 total revenue allocated was US\$63,687.43, while total expenditure was US\$25,336.48. Therefore total income stood at US\$38,350.95).

### **STATEMENT OF REVENUE (US\$)**

As part of the Programme Committee's bid to ensure sufficient funding for the conference, fund raising efforts were undertaken in the private sector within the region. The result was a total US\$11,304.93, which gave the contributors a chance to advertise within the programme booklet. The Programme Committee is thankful for this overwhelming support.

The primary source of revenue for the Programme Committee continues to be registration and membership fees. This year the onsite registration process netted US\$13,129.00. Other sources of revenue included the rental of exhibition table to the publication institutions that support the CSA (US\$900.00); sponsorship of the debriefing meeting held by President Frank Mills with the Local Committee, as well as student orientation, which will become a permanent part of the conference (US\$2074.80). Sponsorship was also received from Professor Jones Hendrickson for the Cultural Night organised with the Ministry of Tourism.

One of the challenges, which the CSA continues to face is the ability to secure hotel room space especially in locations

where this is limited. For this reason a deposit was made to the Marriott Hotel in order to ensure accommodation during the conference. This deposit of US\$33,438.00 was refunded although we did not meet the room quota originally negotiated.

## STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE (US\$)

Expenditure for the period reflect all the costs incurred by the Programme Committee. All bills have been settled and the Bank Statement is available on request. The largest costs incurred were related to the coffee breaks for which the sponsorship from the private sector was sought, rental of equipment from the hotel and other sources and the cultural night for which sponsorship was also received. Please note that while Professor Jones Hendrickson sponsored the food for the cocktail, the equipment used was paid for by the CSA.

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR PROGRAMME COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JULY 2004

### STATEMENT OF REVENUE (US\$)

ITEM OF INCOME (US\$)	AMOUNT
Total Local Sponsorship (See Appendix I for list)	11,304.93
Registration Fees	13,129.00
Rental of Exhibition Tables (See Appendix III for list of cheques)	900.00
USVI Funding of Debriefing Meeting and Student Orientation (See Appendix IV for list of cheques)	2,074.80
Payment from Professor Simon Jones Hendrickson for Cultural Night	3,100.00
Refund from the Marriott Hotel	33,438.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>63,687.43</b>

### STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE (US\$)

ITEM OF EXPENDITURE (US\$)	AMOUNT
Payments for Debriefing Meetings (See Appendix V)	1,341.91
Payments for Student Orientation (See Appendix VI)	449.80
Equipment Rental (See Appendix VII)	4,946.74
Lunch for Volunteers (See Appendix VIII)	1,002.63
Payments for Plenary Speakers (See Appendix IX)	485.78
Payments for Coffee Breaks and Book Launch (See Appendix X)	6,813.50
Payments for Overseeing Exhibition Tables (See Appendix XI)	150.00
Payments for Conference Bags (See Appendix XII)	4,261.08
Payments for Stationery (See Appendix XIII)	1,264.04
Banquet Payment (Cultural Night) (See Appendix XIV)	4,400.00
Miscellaneous (See Appendix XVI)	221.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>25,336.48</b>

Total Income= \$38,350.95

### APPENDIX I: LIST OF SPONSORS

NAME OF SPONSOR	AMOUNT (\$EC)		
Caines Auto	3,000.00		
Eastern Caribbean Central Bank	4,500.00		
First Caribbean International Bank	5,000.00		
Francisco Depusoir	800.00		
Jeff Export Trade	1,789.91		
Maurice Widdowson- Island Hopper	1,000.00		
Ministry of Tourism	2,500.00		
St Kitts Nevis Anguilla National Bank	9,000.00		
Sports Zone	1,800.00		
Rams Group of Companies	1,000.00		
<b>EC\$ TOTAL</b>	<b>30,389.91</b>	<b>US \$ TOTAL</b>	<b>11,304.93</b>

### APPENDIX III: RENTAL OF EXHIBITION TABLES

NAME OF EXHIBITOR	CHEQUE NO	AMOUNT (\$US)
Mc Gill University Press	40017276	50.00
USVI	01097114	150.00
UWI Centre	003908	350.00
IRD INC	63-964	350.00
TOTAL		900.00

### APPENDIX IV: USVI FUNDING FOR DEBRIEFING MEETING AND STUDENT ORIENTATION

CHEQUE NO	AMOUNT (\$US)
01099003	499.80
01099004	1,575.00
TOTAL	2,074.80

### APPENDIX II: REGISTRATION FEES

DATE	AMOUNT (\$US)
Monday 31 May	5,105.00
Tuesday 01 June	5,250.00
Wednesday 02 June	2,382.00
Thursday 03 June	392.00
TOTAL	13,129.00

## **CSA DOMINICAN REPUBLIC STUDENT BOOK DRIVE 2005**

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### **Dwaine Plaza**

Over the past few years the CSA membership has been encouraged by the executive to bring academic books to donate to the local schools in the country where the meetings are taking place. In 2005 we would like to continue this tradition and make this book drive a bigger success than in the past. The CSA executive would like to encourage each member to bring to the next conference at least two textbooks from their discipline to be donated to local Dominican schools. These books can be current or slightly older editions of textbooks used in your classroom teaching.

In my case, I teach an Introduction to Sociology class which means that I receive a slew of complementary textbooks to review each semester. If you are not in a similar situation, may I suggest that you go down the hall in your department and talk to the person(s) who are teaching the introductory classes in your discipline. I am sure once they hear about the cause they will be glad to give you some books to donate.

When you arrive in the Dominican Republic in 2005, there will be an area set up for you to drop off the books that you bring for donation. At the end of the conference the executive will announce at the business meeting just how many books we were able to turn over in 2005.

In the past, CSA members have complained that our presence in the host country is not very "giving" since we normally stay in a foreign-owned hotel chain, and we don't interact with many locals outside of the local organizing committee members, taxi drivers and hotel staff. Here now is an opportunity to help in the future intellectual development of the next generation of scholars in the Dominican Republic. You are also encouraged to bring more books if you can (two is certainly not set as a limit or requirement).

The members of the CSA Executive thank you in advance for helping to make the 2005 book drive a success.

## **WADABAGEI: NEW GUEST-EDITED ISSUE ON RACIAL ORDER IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN**

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*Wadabagei, A Journal of the Caribbean and its Diaspora*, is pleased to announce the forthcoming publication of its eighth volume. Vol.8 No.1, titled "Challenges to Latin American and Caribbean Racial Order" has been guest-edited by Dr. George Priestley and Dr. Carlos Russell. The issue, which will be the second since the journal signed a publication & distribution agreement with Lexington Books, will focus on the following topics:

- Afro-descendants in Costa Rica
- The Struggle for Human Rights in Afro-Latin America: The Case of Black Colombia
- *Somos una Liga*: Afro-Dominicanidad and The Articulation of New Racial Identities in the Dominican Republic

- Looking at that Middle Ground: Racial Mixing as Panacea?
- Triple Consciousness? Afro-Latinos on the Color Line.
- Los Jóvenes frente a los acuerdos de Durban.
- Interview with Jesus "Chucho" García

*Wadabagei* continues to welcome year-round submissions of manuscripts pertinent to the scope of the journal's mission. For further information, please see the journal's website at <[www.lexingtonbooks.com/Journals/wadabagei/Index.shtml](http://www.lexingtonbooks.com/Journals/wadabagei/Index.shtml)>. Submissions should be made via virus-scanned email attachment to the editor, Holger Henke, [hhenke@igc.org](mailto:hhenke@igc.org), or:

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## CARIBBEAN REASONINGS IN HONOUR OF STUART HALL

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The University of the West Indies' Centre for Caribbean Thought held the 3rd Caribbean Reasonings on June 17-19, 2004 under the theme "Culture, Politics, Race and Diaspora: The Thought of Stuart Hall." The honouree, Professor Stuart Hall, is a Jamaican that migrated to Britain as a young boy and is today a renowned cultural scholar and icon best known for his contribution to cultural studies, political thought, film and media studies and critical theory. For his tremendous contribution to political thought and cultural theory generally, the University of the West Indies conferred on him the honorary Doctor of Litt. degree in 1999, adding to numerous others he received during the period 1986 to present. Prof. Hall has held positions at London University, University of Birmingham and The Open University among others. He has published several books, co-edited collections, working papers and journal articles, and has edited journals including the *New Left Review*. The conference was a 'homecoming' in many respects, as it was the first time that a conference at the UWI focused entirely on Hall's work.

The official opening of the conference was held at the UWI's Undercroft and the guest speaker Prof. the Hon. Rex Nettleford, Vice Chancellor and convenor of the Cultural Studies Initiative at the University placed Hall's contribution in an international perspective. Throughout the two-day conference panel and plenary sessions featured some 25 scholars from Africa, the Caribbean, United States of America and Europe that focused on Hall's political writings, issues of race, diaspora, globalization and the politics of identity, representation(s), popular culture, and gender. The conference featured three plenary sessions in which Lawrence Grossberg (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill), David Scott (Columbia University), and Anthony Bogues (Centre for Caribbean Thought & Brown University) spoke to Stuart Hall's ethics, Cultural Studies, and the politics of representation. Five panel sessions featured scholars including Charles Mills (University of Illinois, Chicago), Sherene Razack (Ontario Institute for Studies in Education), Michael Rustin and Barnor Hesse (University of East London), Percy Hintzen (University of California, Berkeley), Joseph Jordan (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill), Nicole Castor (University of Chicago), Julian Henriques and Denise Noble (Goldsmiths College), Sonjah Stanley Niaah, Cecil Gutzmore and Susan Mains (UWI, Mona). As part of the conference proceedings, two publications were officially launched - George Lamming's *Sovereignty of the Imagination*, the first publication from the Centre for Caribbean Thought, and Dennis Benn's *The Caribbean: An Intellectual History*.

A highlight of the conference was the closing ceremony which featured Hall's response. Presentations to both Stuart and his wife Catherine Hall were made by the Centre for Caribbean Thought, and presentations from the Institute of Jamaica and the Jamaica College Old Boys Association were made to Stuart. The event was attended by cultural practitioners, artists, cultural scholars and students of culture. Based on responses from those who were inspired, the quality of the papers, and general intellectual stimulation, the conference was a tremendous success and the Centre for Caribbean Thought is looking forward to the 4th Caribbean Reasonings in 2005!

# SEEING ST. KITTS THROUGH ERIC WILLIAMS

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Patricia Mohammed

In an unpublished draft of *Inward Hunger*, Chapter two, Eric Williams, Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago from 1956 to 1981 wrote the following comment: “Today the Caribbean area is a museum of noble recommendations and political platitudes, hopes denied and promises reneged. The optimism inherent in western democracy has here been interred amid this frustration of colonial realities. Architecturally the symbol is Brimstone Hill in the British Island of St. Kitts, a huge fortress built by slave labour symbolic of the days when Britain and France shared and squabbled over this tiny island, today a monotonous trinity of sea, mountain and sugar, whose entire life revolves around the sugar factory which pays huge dividends to absentee shareholders at the expense of a population....”

Patricia Mohammed, “A Very Public Private Man: Trinidad’s Eric Eustace Williams (1911-83),” in: Anton Allahar (ed.), *Caribbean Charisma: Reflections on Leadership, Legitimacy and Populist Politics*, Ian Randle Publishers: Kingston and Lynne Rienner Publishers: Boulder and London 2001. The original manuscript is in the Eric Williams Collection, West Indiana Division, UWI Library, St. Augustine.

This observation of Williams drew me to Brimstone Hill at the last CSA in St. Kitts to envisage the site through his eyes and capture this idea through the following photographs.



Photo by Patricia Mohammed.

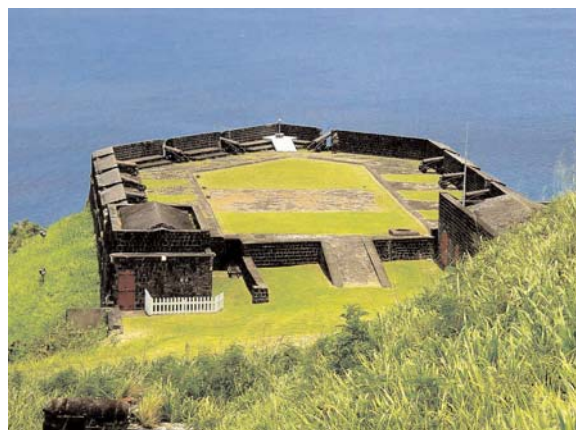
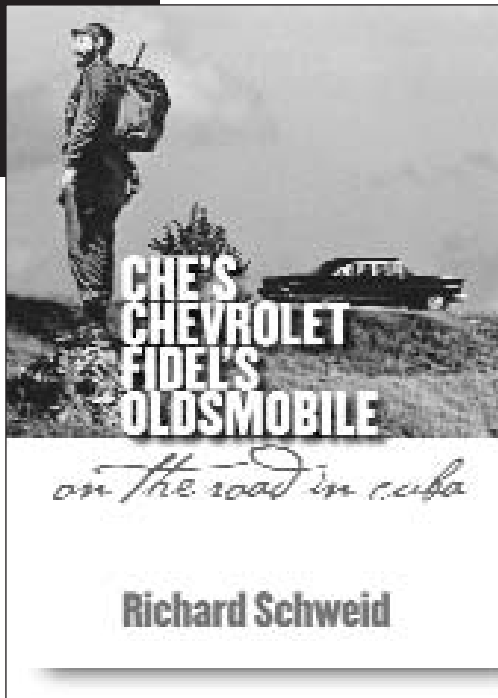


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