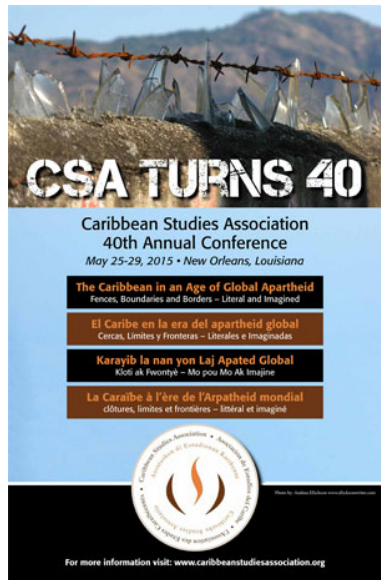




CSA News

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Upcoming Events

Especially for CSA members from the New Orleans Convention & Visitors Bureau:
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CSA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

All participants (attendees, presenters) must register for the conference. The pre-registration rates are at a special, lower rate. These special rates end on April 15, 2015.

» [CLICK HERE to register](#)

Join/Renew Membership

Please join CSA if you are not a member or if you have not paid your dues for 2015. You may also make a donation to CSA - all donations go directly to our programs.

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» [UPDATE MEMBER INFO.](#)

Nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award

Nominations are to be supported by a one-page, typed justification statement detailing the contributions of the candidate and why his/her work over a lifetime is to be considered outstanding (if possible, please attach the candidate's CV). Selection of the award winner will be made on the basis of the candidate's significant, fundamental contributions to Caribbean Studies, the outstanding and/or lasting impact of these contributions on the field; and the demonstration of a

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CSA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND VICE PRESIDENCY - NOMINATIONS NEEDED

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: APRIL 30th

Hello CSA members. Nominations for the executive council for CSA are now open. Voting will take place before and during the conference in New Orleans (May 25-29, 2015), under the presidency of Jan DeCosmo. (For conference information, please visit the [CSA web site](#)).



We will have two vacancies on the executive council, and we also need nominations for Vice President (who would become CSA president in 2016). The Vice President will serve under my presidency 2015-2016. The theme I have chosen for the 2016 conference which will be held in Haiti is: "Caribbean Global Movements: People, Ideas, Culture, Arts and Economic Sustainability".

If you are open for nomination, please send a head-shot of yourself and a short bio (or the same for a colleague you are nominating) to me at ceb278@cornell.edu. Please copy secretariat@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org. You may nominate yourself.

Carole Boyce-Davies,
Vice President, Caribbean Studies Association

MESSAGE FROM PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS



Karen Flynn



Keithley Woolward

Chers membres:

Compte tenu du nombre de demandes individuelles d'accommodations spéciales pour la conférence 2015 de l'AEC le Comité chargé du programme fera notre meilleur (sachant que nous ne pouvons pas offrir aucune garantie) de pouvoir les satisfaire.

- Les décisions finales sur les panneaux ont été envoyées à l'animateur du groupe.
- Les décisions finales sur les propositions de papier individuelles ont été envoyées.
- Inscription et cotisations :

lifetime commitment to Caribbean Studies. Email the required materials by April 15th to Anton Allahaar, Chair of the Selection Committee, at allahar@uwo.ca.

Conference Host Hotel Perks



Besides free WIFI in the guest rooms and a \$10 food coupon each day, CSA members at the Hilton will have free access to the health club, comprised of over 100,000 square feet of world-class workout facilities.

- A newly renovated, comfortable, welcoming environment with trained, certified professionals to serve you
- Extensive variety of Precor Cardio, Weight Machines and Plate Loading Equipment. Mats, Exert balls, Resistance Bands, Kettle Bells are also available.
- Group exercise classes include Spinning, Pilates reformer and Mat, Zumba, Ab-Attack, yoga Mat and Stretch and Tone classes.
- Convenient downtown location
- New Orleans area's only indoor tennis courts
- Racquetball, squash, volleyball and basketball

“Report on the Sexualities Working Group – Four Years at CSA”

- **Angelique V. Nixon**

The Sexualities Working Group was formed and approved at the CSA 2010 conference business meeting in Barbados. This group includes a network for scholars – established and emerging – whose research focuses on sexualities across disciplines and broadly defined. The working group was proposed by CSA members Jafari Sinclair Allen, Natalie Bennett, Rosamond S. King, and Angelique V. Nixon, with the support of over thirty members of the CSA.

» [CLICK HERE to read full report](#)

Share a Room

Interested in Sharing a Room at the CSA Conference?

This year, as in the past, we are offering the opportunity to reduce cost, meet new people, and make it easier to attend our conference. If you are interested in sharing a room for the Annual Conference, we ask you to complete and submit the form below.

secretariat@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org

- Bourses de voyage: Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo: travel.grants@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org
- Renseignement sur la Nouvelle Orléans : Supriya Nair (LOC Chair): supriya@tulane.edu
- Hôtel: www.caribbeanstudiesassociation.org/hotel-information

Estimados miembros:

Dado el número de las solicitudes individuales de alojamiento especial para el Conferencia 2015 de l'AEC el Comité de Programa haremos nuestro mejor esfuerzo (sabiendo que no podemos ofrecer ninguna garantía) para poder satisfacerlos.

- Las decisiones finales sobre los paneles fueron enviadas al moderador del grupo.
- Las decisiones finales sobre las propuestas de papel individual fueron enviadas.
- La inscripción y las cuotas: secretariat@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org
- Subvenciones para viajes: Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo: travel.grants@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org
- Información sobre Nueva Orleans: Supriya Nair (LOC Chair): supriya@tulane.edu
- Hotel: www.caribbeanstudiesassociation.org/hotel-information

Dear Members:

Given the number of individual requests for special accommodations for the CSA 2015 Conference the Program Committee will do our best (understanding that we cannot offer any guarantees) to accommodate them.

- Final Decisions on Individual Paper Proposals have been sent out.
- Final decisions on panels have been sent to the Panel Chair.
- For Membership and Registration questions: secretariat@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org
- For Travel Grants: Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo: travel.grants@caribbeanstudiesassociation.org
- For local (NOLA) information: Supriya Nair (LOC Chair): supriya@tulane.edu
- Conference Hotel: www.caribbeanstudiesassociation.org/hotel-information

NOTE: All presenters should pay membership first on the website, and then conference registration. If these fees are not paid by April 15th, presenters will be deleted from the conference program booklet.

GRADUATE STUDENT CORNER

Graduate Student Breakfast & Other 2015 Mentoring Activities in New Orleans

Students and faculty members are encouraged to participate in our specially-planned events for graduate students during our conference in New Orleans. Graduate students and faculty will be matched in mentor relationships that will allow us to get to know each other. CSA will then host a breakfast meeting for the mentors and their graduate students to allow our new (and most likely young) members to better find their way within the CSA and carry the torch into the future. Throughout the week we will ask the graduate students to check in with their mentors to report how they are doing with networking, attending sessions and feeling like valued members of the association. Graduate students and interested faculty should contact Russell Benjamin at rusbenjamin@yahoo.com to become part of this experience (include research area please). In the past, this has been one of the more memorable events that our graduate students report from the conference.

Please note, that we do not make lodging arrangements. This service only connects people interested in sharing a room.

» [Click Here for more info.](#)

Partagez une chambre d'hôtel

Intéressé dans le partageant une chambre d'hôtel à la Conférence CSA?

Cette année, comme dans le passé, nous offrons l'opportunité de réduire le prix, rencontrer les nouveaux gens et rendre plus facile d'assister à notre conférence. Si vous vous intéressez à partager une chambre d'hôtel à la Conférence Annuelle, nous vous demandons d'accomplir et soumettre la forme ci-dessous.

Notez s'il vous plaît, que nous ne prenons pas de dispositions se logeant. Ce service raccorde seulement les gens intéressés dans le partageant d'une chambre.

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Comparta un Cuarto

¿Interesado en compartir un cuarto en la Conferencia CSA?

Este año, como en el pasado, ofrecemos la oportunidad de reducir el coste, encontrar a la nueva gente, y hacer más fácil para asistir a nuestra conferencia. Si usted está interesado en compartir un cuarto para la Conferencia Anual, le pedimos completar y presentar la forma abajo.

Por favor note, que no hacemos arreglos que se alojan. Este servicio sólo une a la gente interesada en compartir un cuarto.

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In addition, CSA will be presenting two panels designed to assist young CSA scholars. The first concerns how to finish a Ph.D. and get a job. Three junior faculty members who recently completed their doctorates will help graduate students learn the latest strategies for working with their committees, writing their dissertations and ultimately getting into the job market. The second panel will focus on getting tenure and promotion and will include one senior and two recently tenured faculty members. Topics to be covered include how to prepare tenure and promotion dossiers, how to work with department chairs and how to select external reviewers. Check the 2015 conference program for the day and time for these two panels.

Thirdly, all graduate students should consider applying for two awards: the George Priestley Graduate Student Award and the Barbara T. Christian Literary Award. The Caribbean Studies Social Justice Graduate Student Paper Award has been established in honor of Dr. George Priestley in recognition of his lifelong contributions to social justice, anti-racism, HIV/AIDS awareness, the Afro-Latino identity, and international human rights issues. The Barbara T. Christian Literary Award was established in 2001 by past CSA President, Dr. Cora Christian, to celebrate her sister's intellectual legacy in black feminist criticism. Please visit the [web site](#) for more information on these awards.

We look forward to meeting you in New Orleans. Safe travels,

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FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Dear Conference Participants,

The CSA Newsletter Editorial Team is looking to recruit foreign language sub-editors to provide translations from English and from English to French. In addition other tasks will include providing support to the Editor in reaching out to members, to seek and edit submissions originally in other languages. These appointments will be volunteered positions. Please indicate your show of interest by sending an email with the following information to the Newsletter Editor, Ms. Meagan Sylvester at drmasylvester@hotmail.com.



- (i) Name
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- (iii) Institutional Affiliation
- (iv) Preferred language of translation
- (v) Contact information (phone number and email address)

Apreciados miembros y ponentes,

El equipo editorial del Boletín de la AEC busca co-editores en español y francés. Sus tareas incluyen apoyar al editor en las comunicaciones con nuestros miembros y en la solicitud de contribuciones originalmente en sus lenguas, así como proveer traducciones entre el inglés y el español o el francés. Las posiciones serán en calidad de voluntarios. Favor indicar su interés vía correo electrónico enviando la siguiente información a la Editora, Señora Meagan Sylvester a drmasylvester@hotmail.com.

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- (II) Título
- (III) Afiliación institucional
- (IV) Lenguaje preferido de traducción
- (V) Información de contacto (número de teléfono y dirección)

de correo)

Saludos,

Chers participants,

L'équipe éditoriale du bulletin d'informations de l'Association des Etudes Caraïbéennes recrute des correcteurs et des correctrices. Leurs tâches consisteront à :

- apporter leur soutien à l'éditeur lorsqu'il s'agit de contacter les membres ;
- chercher et corriger les articles qui sont rédigés dans d'autres langues ;
- de traduire de l'anglais vers l'espagnol et le français.

Ce sont des postes de bénévoles. Si vous êtes intéressés, veuillez envoyer un email à l'éditrice du bulletin d'informations : Mademoiselle Meagan Sylvester. Adresse électronique : drmasylvester@hotmail.com.

- 1 Nom
- 2) Profession
- 3) Institution
- 4) Langue de traduction (préférée)
- 5) Coordonnées (numéro de téléphone et adresse électronique).

RESERVE YOUR CONFERENCE HOTEL ROOMS NOW!

New Orleans hotel rooms are difficult to come by. Conference participants may make reservations online at https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_gi_new&groupID=33653120, or by calling the in-house reservations office at 504-584-3959, Monday-Sunday, 7 am to 6 pm CST, and providing the group code, CSA. If you find that are not able to book rooms on certain dates online, make your reservation for any of the five nights for which we have contracted (Monday through Friday), and then call the hotel with your confirmation number. At that point, based on hotel availability, you may add any of these nights outside of our block: Friday, Saturday and Sunday May 22nd – 24th, and Saturday and Sunday May 30th – 31st. There are more rooms available the weekend before the conference than afterwards, and our special CSA Whitney Plantation Tours will take place the weekend before.

Haga su reserva ahora en el hotel Hilton, Riverside. Las reservaciones de hotel en la ciudad de Nuevo Orleans ofrecen dificultades. Los participantes a la Conferencia pueden hacer reservaciones en línea https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_gi_new&groupID=33653120 o llamando a la oficina de reservaciones del hotel al 504-584-3959 de lunes a sábado de 7 a.m. a 6 p.m. y dando el código de grupo de la AEC. En caso de no lograr la reservación en línea para determinada fecha, haga su reservación para cualquiera de las cinco noches que hemos contratado (de lunes a viernes) y luego llame al hotel para obtener su número de confirmación. En ese momento, de acuerdo a la disponibilidad hotelera, puede agregar cualquiera de esas noches fuera de nuestro bloque: viernes, sábado y domingo mayo 22 al 24, y sábado y domingo mayo 30 al 31. Hay mayor número de habitaciones disponibles el fin de semana previo a la conferencia que el posterior. El recorrido especial a la Plantación Whitney para los participantes a la Conferencia tendrá lugar el fin de semana previo a la misma.

Réservez maintenant à l'hôtel Hilton, Riverside. Il est difficile de réserver d'effectuer des réservations pour cet hôtel. Cependant, ceux qui participent à la conférence peuvent réserver en ligne au https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_gi_new&groupID=33653120 ou contacter directement l'hôtel au 504-584-3959 du lundi au dimanche de 7.00 heures à 18 heures en précisant le code du groupe : CSA (code de l'Association des Etudes Caraïbéennes). Au cas vous ne réussiriez pas à effectuer une réservation, réservez une des cinq nuits que nous proposons (du lundi au vendredi). Puis, appelez l'hôtel avec votre numéro de confirmation. Tout dépend de la disponibilité des chambres, vous avez la possibilité d'ajouter ces nuits en-dehors de ce que nous proposons : vendredi, samedi et dimanche (du 22 au 24 mai). Samedi et dimanche (du 30 et 31 mai). Il y a plus de chambres disponibles le week-end avant la conférence qu'après. Notre visite spéciale CSA (Association des Etudes de la Caraïbe) de la plantation Whitney se tiendra le week-end précédent.

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