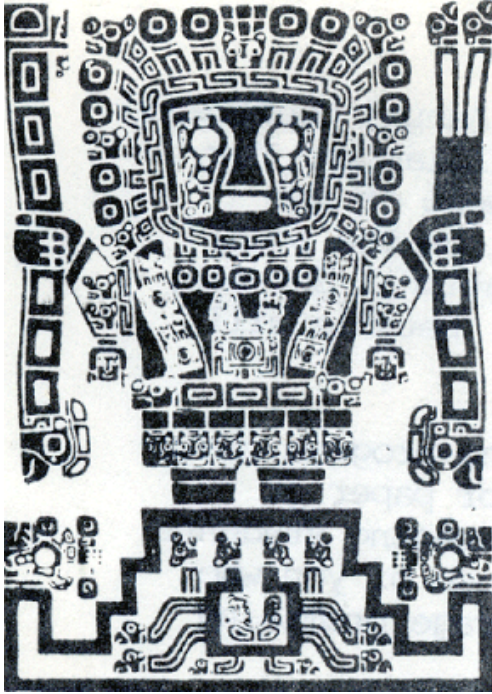


# MACLAS NEWS



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And be sure to check [www.maclas.org](http://www.maclas.org) regularly for important updates on our activities!  
You can also visit us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/41442771820/>  
and Twitter: [@maclasorg](https://twitter.com/maclasorg).

## Mark your calendars!

MACLAS 2016 ♦ **March 4-5**  
Fox School of Business at Temple  
University, Philadelphia PA



## Message from the President



It is an exciting time to serve as the 2015-2016 president of MACLAS! I am thrilled to take on this role during the transition of the journal to an online format.

Aside from promoting the revolutionary change to the structure of the MACLAS journal, I hope to continue with the efforts established in the past years to further develop our social media presence. I am pleased to announce that **Kathy Cunniffe**, along with her social media subcommittee, has now taken our presence to the Twitterverse. You can follow us on Twitter with this address: [@maclasorg](https://twitter.com/maclasorg). Our facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/groups/41442271820/>) has continued to grow with multiple postings by our members on their recent research, travels, job listings, and more! I also want to announce our newly-added resources page on the MACLAS website (<http://www.maclas.org/resources>). Thanks to **Jeff Pugh** and **Gloria Clark** for creating this page where educators and

scholars of Latin American Studies can find important resources to further their work. Read below for more details.

A special thanks as well to **Diane Johnson** who finished her term as president of MACLAS with the very successful conference in Ithaca, NY. Please read about the highlights of the conference below! I would also like to welcome our vice president, **Michael Schroeder**, and our two new Executive Committee members, **Mirna Trauger** and **Luis Roniger**.

I look forward to working with this group and our other Executive Committee members, **Bridget Chesterton**, **Louise Detwiler**, **Brian Turner**, **Maria Roof**, and **Gloria Clark**, on the preparations for our 2016 conference at the Fox School of Business at Temple University. More details to follow in the fall newsletter! For the time being, I encourage you to send me any comments or suggestions to [mmd@udel.edu](mailto:mmd@udel.edu). I hope you all have a productive summer!  
– Meghan McInnis-Domínguez

## Update on the MACLAS Journal



Jeff Pugh

At the last Executive Council Meeting during the conference in Ithaca, the board voted to accept the proposal prepared by **Jeff Pugh** and the subcommittee charged with addressing the new journal format. Moving forward, the journal hopes to partner with a host university institution to create an online open access journal on Latin American Studies that may include articles in English, Spanish, Portuguese, or French stemming from research conducted for the MACLAS conferences as well as other research in the field of Latin American Studies. The journal editorial staff will be comprised of approximately four lead editors including an outreach and publicity editor and an editorial board of fifteen members. It will also have an advisory board of high-profile Latin Americanists who will lend their advice and suggestions to the journal and occasionally edit an article. All articles will be subject to a double-blind peer review by the editorial board and external reviewers. We will publish special issues on a given topic with guest editors on a periodic basis at the discretion of the editorial board. For the time being, the current editor, **Brian Turner**, will be accepting articles for spring 2016 until September 4, 2015. We congratulate him and associate editors **John Stolle-McAllister**, **Regina Root**, and **Ivani Vassoler** for their continued efforts during the transition. We hope to be on schedule for the publication of the next volume next spring. Once the online platform is in place, we will accept articles on a continuous basis and will move to

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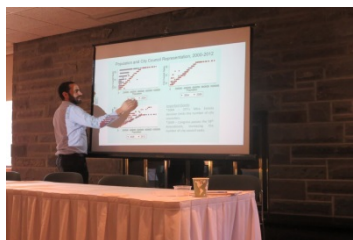
publication as soon as the article itself has been reviewed, accepted, and revised as needed. Submissions should be sent by e-mail attachment to Brian at [bturner@rmc.edu](mailto:bturner@rmc.edu) in a Word File (.doc)

When submitting your article for consideration, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Double-space the entire article.
- Use footnotes rather than endnotes; parenthetical citation is welcome.
- On a separate page, put the title of the article, centered and in caps. On the next two lines, put your name and the name of your institution. These also should be centered, but with only first letters capitalized. Do not use headers other than to place page numbers.
- Put titles of books and journals in italics. Do not use boldface type or different font sizes.

## Highlights from MACLAS 2015

The 2015 conference was held at Ithaca College April 17-18, 2015. The theme was "Altered States: Cross-disciplinary explorations of tradition and the emergent in Latin America." Participants were invited to discuss ideas and patterns that challenge tradition, and the interplay between old and new, seeking to examine alterations



from a wide variety of perspectives and academic disciplines.

Panels ranged from New Latino Identities in the Pennsylvania

Dutch Country to Histories of Latin American Commodities: Mexican Beer, Paraguayan Ka'a He'e (Stevia) and South American Yerba Mate. The Friday session concluded with the stimulating Whitaker lecture

by Luis Roniger on his book *Destierro y exilio en América Latina*, co-authored with Mario Sznajder and published by the Fondo de Cultura Económica in Mexico, 2013. If you missed his lecture, you can view a YouTube video of the event at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rzsJTA607HK>.



Luis Roniger

Saturday's lunch was highlighted by the presentation of all of the 2015 award winners:

ARTHUR P. WHITAKER PRIZE for best book published by a member, 2013–2014: **Maria Roof**: *Flame in the Air: Bilingual Poetry Edition*. Vidaluz Meneses. Casasola Editores, 2013.



Maria Roof and Michael Schroeder

HAROLD EUGENE DAVIS PRIZE for best article published by a member 2013–2014: **John Stolle-McAllister**: "Producing and Circulating Kichwa Community in Intercultural Ecuador." *The Latin Americanist* 57.3 (Sept. 2013): 29-50.

JAMES STREET PRIZE for best article published by a member in *Latin American Essays*: **Brooke Severe**, for her "Gender and Authority in Sara Yorke Stevenson's *Maximilian in Mexico*."

WŁADYSŁAW MARYAN FROELICH RESEARCH AWARD: **Kia M.Q. Hall** for the "Ereba Irióna Photography Project"

CHRISTINA TURNER GRADUATE STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS: **Liz Geitman** and **Jennifer Calles**



## Conference Photo Gallery

Images courtesy of Diane Johnson and María Roof



Geneseo Students



Mike Schroeder, John Hinshaw, Diane Johnson, Ivette Guzmán-Zavala, and Thafany Luna Miquez



Pre-Columbian Art Exhibition Reception & Tour, Dr. Jennifer Jolly, Ithaca College



Executive Committee members enjoying the Keynote Dinner



MACLAS members at the Friday reception



Students from Ithaca College and Cornell University performing at the Teatro Campesino event after the conference on Saturday

## Deadline for student paper prizes

Students who presented at the 2015 MACLAS conference at Ithaca College are encouraged to submit their papers for consideration for the following prizes. *Each prize offers a cash award of \$300 to the winner!* Papers should be sent as an attachment in a .doc, .docx or .pdf format. **Deadline: Sept. 15, 2015.**

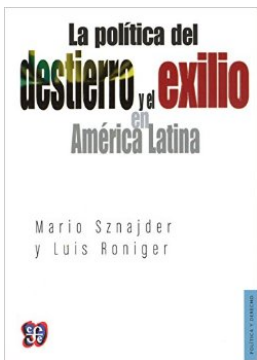
JOHN D. MARTZ III PRIZE for the best paper presented by a graduate student. Send to committee chair Louise Detwiler at [ladetwiler@salisbury.edu](mailto:ladetwiler@salisbury.edu).

JUAN ESPADAS PRIZE for the best paper presented by an undergraduate student. Send to committee chair Kathy Cunniffe at [kcunniffe@hotmail.com](mailto:kcunniffe@hotmail.com).

## Featured Articles: The Recent Work of our MACLAS prize winners

Below you will find the descriptions of the work of two of our members, **Luis Roniger** and **Kia M.Q. Hall**, who were recently awarded MACLAS prizes for their stellar research.

### Luis Roniger



Luis Roniger was awarded the 2014 Whitaker prize for his book, *Destierro y exilio en América Latina*, co-authored with Mario Sznajder and published by the Fondo de Cultura Económica in Mexico, 2013. His investigation addresses exile as a major

mechanism of institutional exclusion used by all types of governments in the region against their own citizens, while at the same time these governments often provided asylum to aliens fleeing persecution. It is a systematic analysis of Latin American exile on a continental and transnational basis and from a long-term perspective. It traces variations in the saliency of exile among different expelling and receiving countries; across different periods; with different paths of exile, both elite and massive; and under authoritarian and democratic regimes. The study integrates theoretical hindsight and empirical findings, also addressing presidential exile, the formation of Latin American communities of exiles worldwide, and the role exiles played in shaping the collective identities of these countries. The book expands on an English version entitled *The Politics of Exile in Latin America*, published by Cambridge University

Press in 2009, and builds upon the bibliographical essay on the study of Latin American exile that Roniger prepared for Oxford Bibliographies Online in 2014:

<http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199766581/obo-9780199766581-0147.xml?rskey=xvFuMm&result=66&q=>

Roniger has continued his work on exile and has published two more books as part of this research program: *Tres estudios sobre el exilio: Condición humana, experiencia histórica y significación política*, co-authored with Arturo Aguirre and Antolín Sánchez Cuervo (Madrid and Puebla: EDAF and Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, 2014) and *Destierro y exilio en América Latina. Nuevos estudios y avances teóricos* (Buenos Aires: EUDEBA, 2014). An interview on the latter can be found in *Revista Ñ*, a cultural magazine in Argentina: [http://www.clarin.com/rn/ideas/Luis-Roniger-Destierro-exilio-America-Latina\\_0\\_1324667934.html](http://www.clarin.com/rn/ideas/Luis-Roniger-Destierro-exilio-America-Latina_0_1324667934.html) and in <http://eljineteinsomne2.blogspot.com/2015/03/luis-roniger-una-verdadera-democracia.html>, 25 March 2015.

His most recent publication is "Displacement and Testimony: Recent History and the Study of Exile and Post-Exile." *International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society*, online March, 2015 as DOI: 10.1007/s10767-015-9201-7

Currently Roniger is working with Leonardo Senkman, Saul Sosnowski, and Mario Sznajder to complete the book *Exile, Transnational Migration and the Transformation of Public Culture*, an analysis of the impact of exiles, returnees and migrants on the process of democratization in Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay.

### Kia M.Q. Hall

In 2014, Kia M. Q. Hall was awarded the Christina Turner Graduate Student Travel Grant to attend the MACLAS conference, and present about "Poverty & Social Justice in the Rural, Garifuna Villages of Honduras." The presentation developed from her desire to extend her research engagement with the Garifuna community of Honduras into the realm of social justice engagement. Since graduating in May 2014 from American University's School of International Service, she has continued to collaborate with research and community development partners in Honduras. She last visited the Garifuna ancestral villages of Iriona, where her research was based, in January 2015. Shortly after, Kia received the Wladyslaw Maryan Froelich Research Grant in support of her work in the region.



*Kia Hall (front row, far right) with members of the Lucha y Esperanza Ereba cooperative of Punta Piedra, Iriona and community development partners from Wabagari food distributors (squatting) including founder Lina Hortensia Martinez (front row, center)*

Throughout the Americas, the images of impoverished Black communities often tell a story of destitution and marginalization. The book of photographs to be printed and distributed to research participants with the support of the Froelich Research Grant aims to tell a different story. The book of photographs will show the hard-working women (and men) who produce and sell cassava bread, or *ereba* in the Garifuna language, to advance community development. In both image selection and book design and layout, Kia M. Q. Hall will be mentored by renowned photographer Roland L. Freeman, who has been documenting Black culture throughout the African Diaspora for over fifty years. The "Ereba Iriona Photography Project" will be presented at the 2016 MACLAS conference.

## Other news and announcements

- **Share what you're doing this summer!**

For all of you who are doing research projects, travel or service in (or related to) Latin America this summer, we'd love to hear about it. Please post your news and photos yourself on the MACLAS Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/41442771820/>, via Twitter [@maclas.org](https://twitter.com/maclas.org), or send it to [Kathy Cunniffe](mailto:Kathy Cunniffe) to post for you, at [kcunniffe@hotmail.com](mailto:kcunniffe@hotmail.com).

- **MACLAS Resources Collection Update**

Thanks to [Jeff Pugh](#) and [Gloria Clark](#), the MACLAS Resources collection is live! By visiting the MACLAS web site: <http://www.maclas.org/resources>, members can find grant and fellowship opportunities, teaching and research tools, a guide to Latin American Studies journals, professional development advice, and sample syllabi shared by colleagues. Please check out the site and share your own ideas! We would especially like to invite you to share innovative syllabi for classes that you have taught in any field related to Latin America. Resources can be linked here on Facebook, or you can send them to Jeff Pugh by e-mail ([jpugh00@hotmail.com](mailto:jpugh00@hotmail.com)). If anyone is interested in taking over as coordinator/ curator of the resources collection, please let Jeff know!

- **Opportunities**

**Call for papers:** The *Journal of Latin American Geography* is seeking contributions from scholars who examine issues dealing with the USA / México border, South-North immigration, emigration, and migration as well as “Latino/a” cultures, labor, and politics in the United States and beyond. The \*JLAG\* editorial board, headed by Christopher Gaffney (University of Zurich), seeks to publish critical and socially engaged scholarship on Latin America and Latino/a America from the fields of geography, anthropology, political science, sociology, and related disciplines. Manuscripts are guaranteed timely evaluation and can be published in Spanish or English. Please visit the home page of *JLAG*: <http://utpress.utexas.edu/index.php/journals/journal-of-latin-american-geography> for details on submission guidelines.

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