Symposium Welcome Remarks
3:00 pm - 3:05 pm (EST) / 12:00 pm - 12:05 pm (PST)

Omaris Z. Zamora, Miriam Jiménez Román Fellow and Assistant Professor, Departments of Latino and Caribbean Studies and Africana Studies

PANEL 1: (Re)Defining Blackness Through Writing and Visual Arts
3:05 pm - 3:50 pm (EST) / 12:05 pm - 12:50 pm (PST)

Moderator: Lorgia García-Peña, Latinx Studies Scholar and Writer

1) Presentation: "The Trickster Figure Migrates North: An Examination of 21st Century Afro-Mexican Literature in the United States"
Nancy Vera, Ph.D. Candidate, Comparative Literature, University of Maryland

2) Presentation: “Ancestral Kinships: Finding Freedom from La Hispaniola's enslaved past in Danticat's Farming of Bones”
María Elizabeth Rodríguez Beltrán, Ph.D. Candidate, Comparative Literature, Rutgers University

3) Presentation: "Visualizing Afro-Latinx Appetites: Decolonizing 'Eating the Other'"
Tashima Thomas, Visiting Assistant Professor, Latin American & Caribbean Art, Pratt Institute

PANEL 2: The Spaces of Afro-Latinx Identity
3:50 pm - 4:45 pm (EST) / 12:50 pm - 1:45 pm (PST)

Moderator: Zaire Z. Dinzey-Flores, Associate Professor, Departments of Sociology and Latino & Caribbean Studies, Rutgers University

1) Presentation: “Black Boricua Beauty Worlds Online and on the Island”
Miari Taina Stephens, Ph.D. Student, African & African American Studies, Harvard University

2) Presentation: “Miami’s Forgotten Brazilians: Racialization and the Politics of Exclusion of AfroBrazilians in South Florida”
Carolyn Silva, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Education, University of Florida

Andrea del Carmen, Ph.D. Student, Department of Education, University of California

4) Presentation: “Black Panamanian Hoop Dreams & The Realities of Basketball Trafficking”
Javier Wallace, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Texas at Austin

PANEL 3: Feminism, Intersectionality, and Afro-Latinx Womxnhood
4:45 pm - 5:30 pm (EST) / 1:45 pm - 2:30 pm (PST)

Moderator: Amarilys Estrella, ACLS Emerging Voices Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, Johns Hopkins University

1) Presentation: “Mi Cuerpo y Mi Pajón: Afro-Latinx Caribbean Women's Body Image”
Narolyn Mendez, Counseling Psychology at Teachers College, Columbia University

2) Presentation: “Tarot, Reiki, and Bombazos: Community Healing in Chicago”

Michaela Machicote, PhD candidate, Department of African and African Diaspora Studies, University of Texas at Austin

3) Presentation: “Racialized Violence, Sexualized Bodies: Understanding the Transnational Intimate Partner Violence Dominican Women Experience”
Cruz Caridad Bueno, Assistant Professor, Department of Black Studies, State University of New York-New Paltz

Symposium Adjournment: 5:30 pm - 5:35 pm (EST) / 2:30 pm - 2:35 pm (PST)

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