

SYMPOSIA

Educating Haitian Children in Bilingual Education Programs: A problem Solving Symposium
Saturday, April 11, 1992
Somerville High School
Somerville, MA

Dialogue for Development: The Political and Economic Reconstruction of Haiti
Sept. 20-24, 1995
University of Puerto-Rico
Mayaguez, Puerto-Rico

Haitian Studies Series in Collaboration with DRCLAS at Harvard University
February 2000 – December 2001

Haitian Education, Economic Political and Social System: An Historical Perspective
February 16, 2001
DRCLAS
Harvard University

Education and Development
April, 20, 2001
DRCLAS
Harvard University

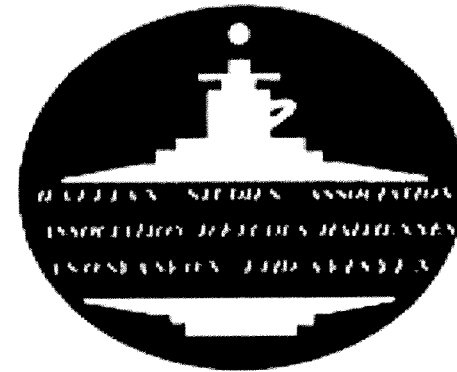
Immigration and Transnationalism
Oct. 26, 2001
DRCLAS
Harvard University

Health and Development
December 7, 2001
DRCLAS
Harvard University

Emergency Conference on the Future of Democracy and Economic Development in Haiti
May 11-12, 2001
University of Massachusetts
Boston, MA

Keynote Speakers

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1990	Franketienne
1991	Edouart Glissant
1992	Katherine Dunham & Michel-Rolph Trouillot
1993	Jean Metellus
1994	Vève Clark
1995	Felix Morisseau-Leroi
1996	Sidney Mintz
1997	Leslie Desmangles
1998	Yves Dejean
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2000	Frantz Leconte
2001	Paul Farmer
2003	Rosemarie Toussaint



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RE-DISCOVERING HAITIAN HISTORY:
ARCHIVING MEMORY TO CONSTRUCT OUR FUTURE

16TH ANNUAL
HAITIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 6-8, 2004
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

AND
KOSANBA's
VI INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM
2004 ONWARD
THE GEDE FAMILY: LIFE AND DEATH STRUGGLES

Re-discovering Haitian History: Archiving Memory to Construct our Future

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co-chair, Kathleen Balutansky, Marc Prou, Patrick
Bellegarde-Smith with
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A Message from the President of HSA October 2004

Welcome to the Sixteenth Annual Conference of HSA. On behalf of our Board of Directors, I want to thank the University of Puerto Rico and the Centro de Estudios Avanzados the Puerto Rico y el Caribe for hosting our conference this year. HSA is also delighted that KOSANBA is joining us this year for its sixth International Colloquium.

I offer my deepest thanks to on-site Co-Chairs, Dr. Paul Latortue and Prof. Sara Benitez. I also extend my sincere thanks to all the members of the local committee for all their hard work.

The theme of this year's conference, Re-Discovering Haitian History: Archiving Memory to Construct our Future, was chosen with Haiti's bicentennial in mind. Events in Haiti earlier this year have dashed our hopes of meeting in Haiti to celebrate Haiti's bicentennial, but they served as a reminder that we can never lose sight of our history, both glorious and horrific, if we are to understand our past, our present and, most importantly, if we are to contribute to Haiti's future.

This is a year in which we might be tempted to turn to pessimism and even cynicism as we contemplate Haiti's history. And yet, recent events make it all the more important for us to come together to share the many ways in which Haitians at home and abroad have nurtured a nation in crisis. In fact, if members of HSA are to participate in the construction of Haiti's future, we will have to be relentless in our determination to continue to create a space where an open conversation about Haiti can take place.

We are extremely grateful to be able to engage in dialogue in this a historically rich and beautiful environment, but we know that we must also continue this dialogue in Haiti. To this effect we plan to hold HSA's Seventeenth Annual Conference in Haiti in 2005. Josiane Hudicourt-Barnes, the co-chair of this year's Conference Planning Committee, will chair the conference next year. I hope that you will give her your support in the organization of the conference and in becoming actively involved in HSA's attempt to create a safe space for dialogue in Haiti.

In spite of the delay in sending our call for papers this year, we received many paper and panel proposals and we are pleased to offer a rich program for the next two days. This year, as last year, we have scheduled several concurrent panels in order to give each panel enough time for a meaningful discussion at the end of the panelists' presentations.

This year at our Annual Business Meeting, at 4:15 p.m. on Friday, October 8, we will elect new members for the Board of Directors of the Association. And, as my three-year term comes to an end, the Board of Directors will select a new president. I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Board of Directors who served HSA during my term. I want to give special thanks to Dr. Marc Prou, HSA's Executive Director, for his patience and good humor in conducting HSA's business with fewer resources every year, and to Dr. Leara Rhodes for her generous offer to organize the conference for two consecutive years. In chairing HSA's fifteenth and sixteenth annual conferences, she took over many of the tasks that had previously fallen to the Executive Director and the President. For this unprecedented commitment of time and energy, my personal debt to Leara is enormous.

Finally, I hope that you will fully enjoy the wonderful space that our hosts have made available to us for our exchange of ideas and reflections.

Kathleen M. Balutansky
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Saint Michael's College

PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 6, 2004

Morning

9:30 HSABoard of Directors' Meeting – Centro de Estudios Avanzados of Puerto Rico y el Caribe (CEA)

Evening

7:30 Welcome Reception / CEA
Sponsored by the Univ. of Puerto Rico-Atlantea Caribbean Exchange

Program

Thursday, October 7, 2004

8:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Haitian Studies Association

Kathleen Balutansky, HSAPresident, St. Michaels College
Marc Prou, HSAExecutive Director, Univ. of Mass.-Boston

Puerto Rican Hosts

Paul Latortue, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration,
Univ. of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras
Sara Benitez, Department of Social Science, Univ. of Puerto
Rico- Humacao
Miguel Rodriguez López, Rector, Centro de Estudios Avanzados
de Puerto Rico y el Caribe
Ignacio Olazagasti Colon, Decano Académico Asociado, Centro
de Estudios Avanzados de Puerto Rico y el Caribe

KOSANBA

Patrick Bellegarde-Smith, Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Announcements / Marc Prou, HSAExecutive Director

PANELS

10:15-11:45

Panel 1 / KOSANBAPanel / Gedé Turns and Returns

Chair: Florence Bellande-Robertson, Independent Scholar

Patrick Bellegarde-Smith, Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Vignettes of life, death and rebirth

Lois Wilcken, La Troupe Makandal, New York
Gedé's drama of death and rebirth in Brooklyn, New York

LeGrace Benson, Haiti Art Project and emerita of Cornell Univ.
Transmogrifications: Sex, death and resurrection on grand rue

Panel 2 / Leaving Home: The Influence of Acculturation for Haitians
Graduate Student Panel

Chair: Guerda Nicolas, Boston College

Diana Gonzalez-Eastep, Boston College

Acculturation: Good or bad for haitians living in the U.S.?

Angela Desilva, Boston College

*God as the protector?: Religion and mental health among
haitians*

Martsyl Joseph, Boston College

Family ties: The function of family for haitians in the U.S.

11:45 – 12:45 Lunch

**Lunch will be served at CEA for registered participants in the conference.
Name badges must be worn for admittance. Additional lunches may be
offered at \$15.00 per person. Please check at the registration desk prior to
lunch for additional tickets to check availability.**

1:00 – 2:30

Panel 3 / Media's Role as Public Memory

Chair: Leara Rhodes, University of Georgia

*Media's Role as Public Memory: Haitian newspapers in the
United States and in Haiti*

Jésus Dávila, Journalist, Puerto Rico

Media's Role as Public Memory: Micro to Macro

Ignacio Rivera, News Analyst, Puerto Rico

*Media's Role as Public Memory: Globalization and
Interpretation*

Panel 4 / Documenting Haitian Women's History

Chair: Barbara Nesin, Spelman College

Amy Cornish, Independent Scholar and Artist

The credibility of the unreal: Surrealism and haitian art

Taronda Spencer, Archivist, Spelman College

Cooperative HBCU archival survey project

Marlene Racine Toussaint, New York Theological Seminary
The first ladies of Haiti

Panel 5 / Cultural Heritage: archival, violence, history
Chair: Marc Prou, Univ. of Mass.—Boston

Catherine Marsicek, Florida International University
*Global resource sharing: Archiving haitian cultural heritage
in the broader context*

Gardy Guiteau, Univ. of Mass.-Amherst / M.Ed in
Social Justice Education
*Interrogating violence against haitian women: A historical
analysis of masculinity*

Eddy Souffrant, Univ. of North Carolina—Charlotte
Frederick Douglass, hospitality and cosmopolitanism

2:45-4:00

Panel 6 / Haiti en Puerto Rico: literatura y sociedad
Chair: Camille Villafañe, Univ. of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras

Mayra Montero, Cuban-Puerto Rican Writer
Haiti en la narrativa de Mayra Montero

Aaron Gamalier Ramos, Political Scientist, Univ. of Puerto
Rico-Rio Piedras
*Haiti in the Puerto Rican social imaginary: Some historical
thoughts*

Nilsa Medina, Univ. of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras
Solidarity between Puerto Rico and Haiti

Panel 7 / Art and Dance as Ways to Remember
Chair and discussant: Lois Wileken, La Troupe Makandal

Ella Turenne, Columbia University
*Visualizing the haitian revolution: Using art to remember
and reflect*

Millery Polyne, CUNY-Staten Island, New York
*Dancing for development: The uses of danse folklorique
Haïtienne by Léon Destiné, Lavinia Williams and Katherine
Dunham*

4:15-5:00

Keynote Address

Introduction: Kathleen Balutansky

**Michèle Pierre-Louis, Director, Fondasyon Konesans ak
Libète FOKAL**

Dinner on your own in Old San Juan

Friday, October 8, 2004

8:30-10:00

Panel 8 / African and Haitian Spiritualities: A Religious Continuity
Chair and Discussant: Francois Pierre-Louis, Queens College
CUNY

Jayne Klein, Florida Atlantic
Haitian vodou: Its african and catholic origins and impact

Eddy Petit, Jr., graduate of Brooklyn College
Hip hop as part of the african spiritual continuum

Tamara Xavier, Temple University
Transcending boundaries of fascination and fanaticism

Panel 9 / Haiti's Culture and Literature Through Others' Eyes
Chair and Discussant: Adam John, Albright College, PA

Mark Pfeiffer, University of Georgia
Erzulie and Afrikete: Female tricksters in caribbean orality

Jennifer Heusel, Indiana University
*Ayiti on my mind: The reflections of Eldzier Cortor on Haiti
and the caribbean*

Nesly Metayer, Weatherhead School of Management, Ohio
*Reshaping the haitian experience: Momentum for change in the
U.S. haitian diaspora community*

Panel 10 / Language and History: Promoting Haiti's Best Assets
Chair and Discussant: Carole Berotte Joseph, Dutchess Com.
College, New York

Marie Lily Cerat, Brooklyn College and
Nicole Baron Rosefort, Brooklyn College
Haiti's historical and cultural legacy: A journey through time

Michaëlle Vincent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Florida
Extended foreign language program – haitian creole

10:15-11:45

Panel 11 /KOSANBA Panel / Vodou Perspectives in Change and
Development
Chair: Regine Latortue, CUNY-City College of New York

Claudine Michel, Univ. of California, Santa Barbara
Vodou perspectives on schooling and development

Roberto Strongman, Univ. of California-Santa Barbara
Ambivalent representation: Vodou in La Revue Indigène

Nancy Mikelsons, Independent Scholar, Chicago
The lwa in Cuba

Marilyn Houlberg, School of Art, Institute of Chicago
Exploring vodou dolls in historical and global perspectives

Panel 12 / Haitian Transnationalism and Mental Health Issues
Chair and Discussant: Josianne Hudicourt-Barnes, King Open
School, Cambridge, Mass.

Guerda Nicolas, Boston College
Feeling the blues: Depression among haitians

Vanessa Prosper, Boston College
Does family heal?: Social support networks of haitians

Johanne Eliacin, Univ. of Chicago
*The social and psychological reintegration of repatriated
haitian refugees in Haiti*

1:00-2:30

Roundtable

Haiti and Puerto Rico: Atlantea's Collaboration and Research Projects

Chair: Francisca Corrada del Rio, Univ. of Puerto Rico

Blanca Ortiz-Torres, Univ. of Puerto Rico

Claudio Guerra, Univ. of Puerto Rico

Juan Cersosimo, Univ. of Puerto Rico

Ramon Corrada, Univ. of Puerto Rico

Carlos Altagracia, Univ. of Puerto Rico

2:45-4:00

Panel 13 / Enfances haïtiennes
Chair: Marie-Agnès Sourieau, Fairfield University, CT

Carrol Coates, SUNY-Binghamton, NY
L'appel des traditions: Fonds des nègres de Marie Chauvet

Dennis Essar, Brock University, Canada
Comment écrire l'enfance: l'exemple de trois écrivains haïtiens

Marie-José N'Zengou-Tayo, Univ. of the West Indies, Jamaica
*La vérité sort-elle toujours de la bouche des enfants? La voix
narrative dans les enfants des héros de Lyonel Trouillot*

Panel 14 / Societal Issues and Value: Re-examining Haiti
Chair and Discussant: Florence Bellande-Robertson,
Foundation of Hope for Haiti

Tatiana Wah, New School University, Milano Graduate School
of Urban Management and Policy, New York
*Examining Haiti's value system structure: Toward a common
societal vision*

Edwidge Crevecoeur Bryant, Univ. of North Florida
Literacy socialization of haitian adults

Pierre Kébreau Alexandre, Health Services Research Center,
Univ. of Miami
Prenatal care use in rural and urban Haiti

4:15-6:00

HSABusiness/Membership Meeting – CEA, Auditorium

7:30 **Celebration**

Puerto Rico State Department Building Gardens
(next door to Plaza de Armas, one block from CEA)

Award Presentation

Introduced by Marie-José N’Zengou-Tayo

Outstanding Service Award

Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Deschapelles

Accepting: Dr. Venkita Suresh and Dr. Jacqueline Gautier

Introduced by Carole Berotte-Joseph

Outstanding Excellence Award

Dr. Franck Laraque and Paul Laraque

Many thanks to Local Committee Members:

PAUL LATORTUE, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration,
UPR-Rio Piedras

SARA BENITEZ, Prof., Department of Social Science, UPR – Humacao

ANTONIO GAZTAMBIDE-GÉIGEL, Social Science Faculty,
UPR-Rio Piedras and

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UPR-Humacao

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FRANCISCA CORRADA, Librarian,

UPR-Medical Science Campus

Previous Haitian Studies Conferences

First Annual Conference

June 17, 1989

Tufts University
Medford, MA

Second Annual Conference

June 15-16, 1990

Tufts University
Medford, MA

Third Annual Conference

Haiti Two Hundred Years Later: Prospects
for the Year 2004

Oct. 18-19, 1991

Tufts University
Medford, MA

Fourth Annual Conference

Haiti in the Global Context

Oct. 16-17, 1992

Tufts University
Medford, MA

Fifth Annual Conference

Governance: Conflict Resolution in Haitian
Institutions

Oct. 15-16, 1993

University of Massachusetts
Boston, MA

Sixth Annual Conference

Rethinking Haiti: Grassroots, Community
Participation and Popular Culture

Oct. 14-15, 1994

University of Massachusetts
Boston, MA

Seventh Annual Conference

Haitian Expressions: Word, Image, and
Action

Oct. 13-14, 1995

Milwaukee Art Museum
Milwaukee, WI

Eighth Annual Conference

Beyond 1804: Consensus and nation
Building for the 21st Century

Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 1996

Xaragua Hotel
Montrouis, Haiti

Ninth Annual Conference
Haitians in the Pan-African Community:
Culture, Identity and Affirmation
Oct. 23-25, 1997
Museum of Afro-American History
Detroit, MI

Tenth Annual Conference

Haiti at the Crossroads: Visions,
Continuity and Change

Oct. 28-Nov. 1, 1998

Le Plaza Hotel (Holiday Inn)
PAP
Haiti

Eleventh Annual Conference

Bridges Across the Waters: Connecting
the Haitian Community at Home and
Abroad

Nov. 3-7, 1999

Sheraton Buckhead Hotel
Atlanta, GA

Twelfth Annual Conference

Changing the Landscape of Education for
Haitians in the New Century: Current
Issues, Best Practices, and Promising
Initiatives

Oct. 26-28, 2000

Crowne Plaza Hotel

West Palm Beach, FL

Co-sponsored by the West Palm Beach
Public Schools

Thirteenth Annual Conference

Institutions Building: The Road to the
Social, Political and Economic
Development of Haiti

Oct. 11-13, 2001

St. Michael’s College

Winooski Park

Colchester, VT

Sponsored by St. Michael’s College

Fourteenth Annual Conference

Communicating: Images and Realities of
Haiti

Oct. 17-19, 2002

Université Quisqueya

Port-au-Prince, Haiti

Fifteenth Annual Conference

Investing in the Haitian Human Capital at
Home and Abroad