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Annual Conference of

THE HAITIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION

**Haiti at the Intersection
of the Caribbean:**

*Tracing the Past,
Mapping the Future*

VENUE:

*The University of the West Indies, Mona
Faculty of Humanities and Education
November 10-12, 2011*

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL MESSAGE



Welcome to the Haitian Studies Association's 23rd annual conference and The University of the West Indies, (UWI), Mona campus. This year's conference in Jamaica marks the first time in the association's history that we are meeting in the English-speaking Caribbean.

Far too often the centuries of deep associations among the islands of the Caribbean are minimized. Yet these relationships endure differences of language, colonial history, and post-colonial experience. Haiti is pivotal to discussions of the Caribbean's past and future. As one of Haiti's closest neighbors, Jamaica has been connected with major developments in Haiti: from the leadership of the Jamaican-born Boukman Duty early in the Haitian Revolution, to the assistance to Haiti in the wake of the devastating earthquake of January 12, 2010.

The theme this year, "*Haiti at the Intersection of the Caribbean: Tracing the Past, Mapping the Future*," places the relationship between Haiti and its regional neighbors front and center. Our esteemed keynote speaker is Ambassador Reginald Dumas, author, diplomat, and former UN Special Adviser to Haiti. Through his lectures, writings, and charity, Ambassador Dumas has been a leading voice for Haiti in his native Trinidad and Tobago. We are honored to have him speak at the conference this year.

Our plenary sessions place Haitian studies in active dialogue with Caribbean studies. Each session features a unique mix of noted scholars and writers of Haiti and those of the Anglophone Caribbean, on issues of great relevance to the region: governance, education, and recovery from traumatic events. This conversation across disciplines and regions will continue throughout the conference. We are also proud to continue our celebration of the recent achievements of our members with the annual Book Launch.

With presenters from North America, Latin America, Europe, and Africa, and many first-time participants from the Caribbean, this year's conference will showcase the diversity of Haitian studies while reminding us of the role of the Caribbean in it.

I would like to thank our host, the UWI-Mona campus and Principal Gordon V. Shirley for enthusiastic support. My deep gratitude to the local organizing committee and its chairs, HSA past-president, Dr. Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo, and Mrs. Annette Insanally, for their impressive work with the conference arrangements. I also thank the Executive Director, Marc Prou and members of the HSA Board for their input and support. Our hard-working Executive Assistant, Ms. Shauna Murray, deserves a special note of appreciation for her work on the conference and her years of service and dedication to HSA.

Enjoy the conference, the campus, and Jamaica.

One heart,

Matthew J. Smith

President

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Onè! Respè!

M ap swete tout patisipan Byenveni nan 23^{yèm} konferans anyèl Asosyasyon Etid Ayisyen nan vil Kinston, Jamayik.

First, let me offer my special THANKS to the local onsite committee at UWI for organizing such a magnificent conference on this splendid campus in the heart of the Caribbean. The history of the Mona Campus is a fascinating one. I firmly believe that it is in itself a history lesson that all Caribbean independent island-nations could learn from. I hope that all of you who are visiting for the first time will have a chance to learn about the campus and also to reflect upon its history during the next three days, and even after you return home.

The twenty-third (23rd) Annual Conference of the Haitian Studies Association seeks to promote, among and between Caribbean nationals and expatriates, exchanges of ideas, experiences, and applied research and practices that have proven beneficial to the well-being of Haiti in the wider Caribbean and for Haiti's friends and neighbors throughout the Americas.

Twenty-two months (exactly 670 days) following the 7.0 magnitude earthquake that devastated the island-nation of Haiti, the country is slowly recovering. Recent visits by many reveal the multifaceted challenges many Haitians and their families continue to face daily. Several thousand families are lingering in tent cities scattered all across the country's public parks and vacant lands. The lack of potable water, scarcity of school buildings, dilapidated churches, and inaccessible roads filled with rubble and debris are visible in the capital city of Port-au-Prince as well as neighboring towns. The symbol of the State apparatus, *le Palais National*, remains a visible reminder of inefficiency on the part of the local government and its international pledges of support. Implementing relevant sustainable programs and measuring the effectiveness of short-term foreign sponsored projects are critical steps in the pursuit of quality of life for millions of Haitians and their families. Toward that end, the 23rd Annual Conference, **"Haiti at the Intersection of the Caribbean: Tracing the Past, Mapping the Future,"** will create an international and intra-Caribbean context within which to explore how various actions during the past 670 days have contributed to the improvement (or lack thereof) of the social and cultural life, political stability, and economic outcomes in Haiti. One may ponder, are Haitians better off or worse off at the moment? There is no simple answer to this problematic question. It depends on who you ask, and the answers will vary based on where one stands. And where one stands on that question depends on where one sits, which of course rests on the person's political, economic and social positioning.

We are convinced that government action alone cannot—and should not—replace strong and effective governance by distinct civic organizations and the constant vigilance of our own community and civil society. Many of us at HSA have spent the past 22 months working with several individuals and organizations on the ground and in the Diaspora to examine how we might advance ideas and contribute in tangible ways to the re-building of Haiti's vital institutions. The result of our efforts remains incomplete!

At this 23rd Annual Conference at UWI and in Kingston, Jamaica, we invite and encourage each and every participant to carefully examine the lessons we can learn from our Caribbean sister-nation(s), and also determine how best we can apply these lessons to our own operations and interactions with Haiti. We hope that these lessons can help individuals, government institutions, non-governmental organizations, and associations as they continue to reach for the highest standards of governance, and ethical practices that the communities we serve expect and deserve.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Secretariat, I confidently state that we are delighted for your presence and participation in the various panels, roundtables, and plenary sessions designed to highlight model programs, theoretical paradigms, and best practices in the field of Haitian Studies from multidisciplinary and trans-disciplinary perspectives. HSA is proud to disseminate the proceedings of its conferences, compiled by Professor LeGrace Benson, and invite you to submit your papers to our refereed *Journal of Haitian Studies* (JOHS), edited by Professor Claudine Michel. Both venues are part of our multi-format archival resources made available to the public. These publications include papers on various topics from many disciplines that scholars, policymakers, and practitioners are free to use in both their research or applied work.

We are very pleased to have former Ambassador Reginald Dumas as our Keynote speaker. His dedication to serving many Caribbean nations and his important contribution to CARICOM, particularly in helping Haiti with finding ways to strengthen governance, transparency, and ethical standards, makes him an ideal recipient for this year's HSA annual **Award for Service**. We are also delighted to acknowledge the work of Ms. Yanick Lahens, a writer, literary critic, and educator for her numerous publications and contributions to Haitian literary studies. It is an honor to bestow upon her the HSA's annual **Award for Excellence**. These two exceptional individuals, you all will agree, deserve such recognition!

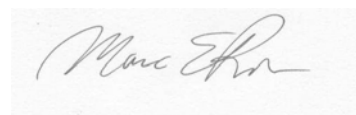
We are grateful to all our sponsoring institutions, organizations, and individuals for their support and salute those who donated resources to allow scholars and deserving students coming from Haiti and the diaspora to attend the conference.

Last but not least, I want to express my heartfelt GRATITUDE to Shauna Murray, for her unwavering support and relentless work in advancing this organization. Much of the daily activities would not have been possible without her sound commitment. Shauna, *Chapo ba!* Hats off! Finally, I am indebted to the many Board members who over the past two decades have shared their guidance and have so generously supported the work of this research and academic project, namely the Haitian Studies Association (HSA).

I look forward to seeing you next year in the (Big Apple) New York City, at York College (CUNY) on November 8-10, 2012, for the 24th Annual conference.

Si Bondye vle! God's willing; you will join us for our Silver Anniversary Celebration in 2013. *Stay tuned!*

Thank you – Mèsi anpil – Gracias – Merci



Dr. Marc Prou, Executive Director

CONFERENCE WELCOME MESSAGES



On behalf of the onsite organizing committee, we are pleased to welcome you all to The University of the West Indies-Mona in Jamaica. We have put in place all the necessary amenities to make your experience at our campus an enjoyable and exciting one. All events are concentrated in the Faculty of Humanities and Education to facilitate movement from one room to another.

However, we hope that you will take time to tour our campus which is a Jamaican Heritage site, combining modern constructions with remnants of the plantation days. We look forward to a successful conference and fruitful exchanges during these three days in Jamaica.

Annette Insanally

Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo

On-Site Committee Co-Chairs



We are honored to welcome new and returning HSA conference attendees to the 23rd Annual Conference—**Haiti at the Intersection of the Caribbean: Tracing the Past, Mapping the Future**. Being hosted by the UWI Mona community has not only allowed for a unique exchange of ideas but also provided a means to extend the lens of Haiti to the wider Caribbean context. We specifically encourage you to attend the plenary sessions that encompass intercultural dialogues among scholars from Haiti, the United States, and Jamaica. These sessions will challenge established thinking and push you to re-imagine notions of interdependency, governance, education and healing in Haiti and in the Caribbean as a whole.

Traditionally, one of the high points of the conference has been the Student and Emerging Scholars Breakfast. We invite students, junior scholars, and senior scholars to this breakfast as a bridge to exchange ideas advancing the future of Haitian Studies. We would also like to extend a very special thank you to Patti Marxsen for organizing the book launch showcasing recent publications on Haitian scholarship from the U.S., Haiti, Jamaica and Cuba. Last but not least, we must acknowledge the onsite organizing committee for their tremendous support leading to the success of this conference. We invite all of you to enjoy the conference and to continue exploring the interconnections of Haitian scholarship with the larger Caribbean academic community. We look forward to welcoming you in New York next November.

Charlene Désir

Claudine Michel

Co Vice Presidents

Haitian Studies Association

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2011

6:00 p.m. Public lecture by Professor Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara, “Haiti: Inequities and Reconstruction,” Multifunctional Room, UWI Main Library

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011

5:00-6:00 pm

Registration

Location: Patio, Mona Visitors’ Lodge and Conference Centre

6:00-8:00 pm

Presidential Reception

Location: The Ruins, Mona Visitors’ Lodge and Conference Centre

Speakers:

- Professor Gordon Shirley, Principal, The University of the West Indies, Mona
- Dr. Marc Prou, Executive Director of the Haitian Studies Association
- Dr. Matthew Smith, President of the Haitian Studies Association

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2011

8:30 am- 4:30 pm

Registration

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education - N2

9:00-10:30 am

OPENING CEREMONY

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Mistress of Ceremonies: Dr. Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo, Conference Co-Chair

Greetings by:

- Professor Nigel Harris, Vice-Chancellor of The University of the West Indies
- Professor the Honourable Gordon Shirley, P.V.C. and Principal, The University of the West Indies, Mona
- Professor Waibinte Wariboko, Acting Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Education, The University of the West Indies, Mona

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Introduction: Dr. Matthew Smith, President of the Haitian Studies Association

Keynote Speaker: Ambassador Reginald Dumas, Former Special Adviser on Haiti to Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan

Haiti at the Intersection of the World: Tapping the Past, Facing the Future

Vote of Thanks: Annette Insanally, Conference Co-Chair

10:30-10:45 am

Coffee Break

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education - N2

10:55 am-12:10 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS – 1

**Session 1-A: ROUNDTABLE: Enabling Participatory Development–
Amplifying Voices of Ordinary Haitian People through Local and
Regional Media**

Location: Education Building, SLT 2-B

Chair: Jan Voordouw, Panos Caribbean

Panelists:

- Indi Mclymont Lafayette, Panos Caribbean
- Jean Claude Louis, Panos Caribbean
- Dawn Marie Roper, Panos Caribbean

Session 1-B: Translation and Kreyòl in the Caribbean Context

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O1

Chair: Carolyn Shread, Mount Holyoke College

Panelists:

- Dielermesson Petit-Frère, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane
*Formes, imaginaire, et réalisme dans Les Rapaces de Marie Chauvet: Entre
traduction et réécriture*
- Jacques Pierre, Duke University
*Bridging the Linguistic Gap between Monolingual and Bilingual Haitians
through Translation*
- Frenand Léger, University of Toronto
La langue et la culture haïtienne dans l'espace caraïbe

**Session 1-C: Remembering and Testifying: A Look at Post-Earthquake
Responses in Haiti**

Location: Education Building, SLT 2-A

Chair: Sophonie Joseph, Columbia University

Panelists:

- Jeremy Popkin, University of Kentucky
*Narrating Catastrophe: Haitian Authors' Responses to the January 2010
Earthquake*
- Claire Payton, New York University
The Haiti Memory Project and the Activist Historian
- Valerie Kaussen, University of Missouri-Columbia
*Taking Testimony/Giving Voice: Neoliberal Citizenship and Representation in
Post-Disaster Haiti*
- Lynn Selby, University of Texas-Austin
*A Lost Year: Re-centering Haitian Experiences in the Telling of the
Earthquake's Aftermath*

Session 1-D: From Saint-Domingue to Haiti: The Roads to Freedom and Thereafter

Location: Education Building, SLT

Chair: Marie-Agnès Sourieau, Fairfield University

Panelists:

- Nathalie Pierre, New York University
Bartering Sovereignty: Haitian Indemnity and Spanish Haiti, 1820-1838
- Anne Eller, New York University
Roots and Branches of the Tree of Liberty: Rebellious Santo Domingo and Haiti 1861-1865
- Clinton Hutton, The University of the West Indies-Mona
Toussaint Liberated His Countrymen—Washington Imprisoned a Portion of His: The Haitian Revolution and the Articulation of Modernism Philosophy
- Wigmore Francis, The University of the West Indies-Mona
Early Black Nationalism and the Continued Silencing of Haiti

Session 1-E: The Politics of Power in Post-Earthquake Haiti: What Does the Future Hold?

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Leslie Desmangles, Trinity College

Panelists:

- Alex Dupuy, Wesleyan University
Class, Power, Sovereignty: Haiti Before and After the Earthquake
- Robert Fatton, University of Virginia
From Prezidan of Kompa to President of the Republic
- Robert Maguire, George Washington University
U.S. Support for Post-Earthquake Recovery and Development: Smooth Sailing or Rough Seas?

12:10-1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30-2:45 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS – 2

Session 2-A: Challenges and Opportunities in Redesigning Higher Education in Haiti

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education – Room O1

Chair: François Pierre-Louis, Queens College, CUNY

Panelists:

- Jean F. Claude, New York City College of Technology
The Future of Hospitality/Tourism Education in Haiti
- Yves Voltaire, Université Publique du Sud aux Cayes
Disrupting University in Post-Earthquake Haiti: a Theoretical Framework
- Lourdy Dorismond, Université Publique de l'Artibonite aux Gonaïves
Making the Université Publique de l'Artibonite aux Gonaïves (UPAG) relevant to the Artibonite Region
- Fénel Métellus, Université Publique du Nord au Cap Haitien
The Challenges of Implementing the Vision and Mission of the Université Publique du Nord au Cap-Haïtien (UPNCH) after the January 12, 2010 Earthquake.
- Josiane Hudicourt-Barnes, FOKAL
Creating Successful Models for Collaboration Between the University Communities

Session 2-B: Beyond Traditional Development Models: The Role of Indigenous Philanthropy, Social Entrepreneurship, and Private Sector Engagement in Supporting Haiti's Development

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Alix Cantave, University of Massachusetts Boston

Panelists:

- Katleen Felix, Fonkoze
- Léonie Hermantin, Lambi Fund
- Guitèle Nicoleau, USAID/Basic Education Project-Senegal

Session 2-C: Literature of Reconstruction

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O2

Chair: Adam John, Albright College

Panelists:

- Jason Herbeck, Boise State University
Literature of Reconstruction: An Architectural Assessment of Post-Earthquake Haiti
- John Walsh, College of Charleston
Rebuilding Ruins: Kettly Mars's Saisons sauvages
- Nadève Ménard, Université d'Etat d'Haïti
Post-Earthquake Haitian Literary Practices

Session 2-D: Haiti-Dominican Republic: Language, Myths, and Solidarity

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O3

Chair: Charlene Désir, Nova Southeastern University

Panelists:

- Tess Kulstad, University of Florida, Gainesville
Post-Earthquake Fosterage of Children on the Haitian Dominican Border.
- Kiran Jayaram, Columbia University
Bay Bwèl Sendomeng: Use of Haitian Créole in Santo Domingo, DR
- Kyrah Daniels, Harvard University
Louganou, Myth-Making, and Religious Hauntings of Haiti's 1937 Massacre

Session 2-E: Haiti in the Hemisphere: Convergences, Solidarity and Silence

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O4

Chair: Yveline Alexis, Rutgers University

Panelists:

- Millery Polyné, New York University
A New Normal: Newness in Haitian History, Development, and Hemispheric Affairs
- Wein Weibert Arthus, Université Paris-Panthéon-Sorbonne
La turbulente Caraïbe: Trujillo, Duvalier, Castro, et Betancourt en 1960
- Grace Saunders, University of Michigan
Recipient of the HSA Emerging Scholar Award
Despite the Distance, Common Feelings Connect Our Hearts: Haitian, Caribbean, and African-American Women's Feminist Alliances, 1934-50
- Joelle Vitiello, Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota
Gérald Bloncourt, René Depestre, Gérard Chenet: From the 1946 Revolution to Post-Earthquake Solidarity

2:55-4:10 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS – 3

Session 3-A: ROUNDTABLE: Turning our Heads to Haiti: The UWI Haiti Initiative and its Implications for Regional Development

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O1

Chair: Matthew Smith, The University of the West Indies, Mona

Panelists:

- Sharan Singh, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine
- Clement Imbert, The University of the West Indies, Mona,
- Claremont Kirton, The University of the West Indies, Mona

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Session 3-B: ROUNDTABLE: Vodou Approaches to Healing, Education, and Reconstruction

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O2

Chair: Elizabeth McAlister, Wesleyan University

Panelists:

- Florence Bellande-Roberston, Foundation Hope for Haiti
- Lois Wilcken, Troupe Makandal
- Charlene Désir, Nova Southeastern University
- Leslie Desmangles, Trinity College

Session 3-C: Unfinished Business of Haiti's Relief and Reconstruction

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O3

Chair: Carolle Charles, Baruch College, CUNY

Panelists:

- Mark Schuller, York College, CUNY
Building Walls, Tearing Down Tents: Impacts of Official Aid on Haiti's Civic Infrastructure.
- Loretta Pyles, University of Albany, SUNY, and Christophe Rodrigue, Josué André, and Gilnette Charles, SEKONAPA
Resisting Supply-Driven Approaches to Disaster Recovery and Development through Participatory Action Research in Rural Haiti
- Jan Worlein, Freie Universität, Berlin
Conflicting Knowledge : A History of Entanglements of Haitian Disaster Management

Session 3-D: Haiti, Cuba, the Bahamas, and the Caribbean: Connecting the Dots

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Leara Rhodes, University of Georgia, Athens

Panelists:

- Manoucheka Celeste, University of South Florida
Negotiating Media Representations and Cultural Icons: Haitian and Cuban Group Identity.
- Ian Bethell Bennett, College of the Bahamas
On Belonging: The Present and Future of Haitians in the Bahamas
- Ian Gregory Strachan, College of the Bahamas
Intimate Enemies: The Haitian Immigrant Experience in Bahamian Art
- Patricia Bingue, Voices of Culture
The Haitian Influence in the Caribbean –Connecting the Dots...

Session 3-E: Environmental Issues in Haiti: Solutions to Some Identified Challenges

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O4

Chair: Marie Lourdes Elgirus, MassBay Community College

Panelists:

- Claudel Noel, The University of the West Indies, Mona
The Solid Waste Management System in the PAP Metropolitan Area of Haiti
- James Eliscar, Independent Scholar
Rethinking the Environment in Haiti in the Post-Earthquake Era
- Scott Freeman, Columbia University
Expensive Oils and Shifting Soils: Examining the Social Context of the Vetiver Plant in Southwest Haiti

4:10-4:25 pm

Coffee Break

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education - N2

4:30-5:45 pm

Plenary Session I: Democracy and Governance in the Caribbean

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Carolle Charles, Baruch College, CUNY

- Robert Fatton, University of Virginia
From 'Sweet Micky, Prezidan Kompa' to Michel Joseph Martelly, President of the Republic: Politics Under Surveillance
- François Pierre-Louis, Queens College, CUNY
Haiti: Elections, Cholera, and the International Community
- Brian Meeks, The University of the West Indies, Mona
Sovereignty without Democracy; Democracy without Sovereignty: Paradoxes of the Independence Experience of Small Caribbean States
- Rupert Lewis, The University of the West Indies, Mona
Reflections on Governance and Caribbean Social Movements

6:00-7:30 pm

Book Launch: New Books by H.S.A. Members

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Books Scheduled for Presentation:

Fixing Haiti: MINUSTAH and Beyond, Jorge Heine and Andrew S. Thompson, Eds.
☐ *Geographies of the Haitian Diaspora*, Regine O. Jackson, Editor ☐ *Aunt Rézia and the Spirits and Other Stories*, Yanick Lahens. Trans. by Betty Wilson ☐ *Écrits d'Haiti: Perspectives sur la littérature haïtienne contemporaine (1986-2006)*, Nadève Ménard ☐ *Haiti Rising: Haitian History, Culture, and the Earthquake of 2010*, Martin Munro, Editor ☐ *The Spirits and the Law: Vodou and Power in Haiti*, Kate Ramsey ☐

Special Presentation: Meditation on Experience

Reading from *The Dance of Life: Poems for the Spirit*, Dr. Barbara Paul-Emile,

Goldman Professor of Arts & Sciences & Professor of English

Bentley University, Waltham, MA; accompanied by Dr. Serge Paul-Emile on flute.

About: This selection of illustrative poems and musical compositions bears a mystical cast and focuses on the challenges, paradoxes, and epiphanies of the mythic journey that is life. This evocative and moving presentation calls us to remember, to create the mosaic that binds past and present, and to become aware of the historical and cultural influences that test our mettle and challenge our souls.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2011

8:30 am-4:30 pm

Registration

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N2

9:00-10:15 am

Emerging Scholars Breakfast

Location: *Pages Café on the Deck*

9:00-10:15 am

CONCURRENT SESSIONS – 4

Session 4-A: Planting Hope: Rural Initiatives and Gender Politics in Haiti

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O3

Chair: Elizabeth Wilson, The University of the West Indies, Mona

Panelists:

- Randy Mont-Reynaud and Elisée Abraham, *If Pigs Could Fly- Haiti What Woman Wants (God Wants): Voices from the Mountains of Haiti*
- Dionissi Aliprantis, *INURED Community-Based Well Maintenance in Rural Haiti*
- Jessica Hsu, California Institute of Integral Studies *Illuminations of Rural Haiti: Labor, Gender, and Rights*
- Aldrie Henry-Lee, The University of the West Indies, Mona *Social Risk Management in Haiti*

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Session 4-B: Vodou Visions to Tracing the Past, Death and the Future

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O1

Chair: Marlène Racine-Toussaint, Multicultural Women's Presence

Panelists:

- Kate Ramsey, University of Miami *African-Based Ritual Practice, Mesmerism, and Science in Late Colonial Saint-Domingue*
- LeGrace Benson, Arts of Haiti Project *The Role of Vodou Gede as Healers and Rebuilders*
- Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara & Patrick Bellegarde-Smith, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee *On Death and Dying, and Ancestors*
- Lois Wilcken, Troupe Makandal *Voye Rele Banda Pou Mwen: The Musical Evolution of Gede in Ayiti*

Session 4-C: A Repertoire of Resistance: The Politics of Music in Haitian Life

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Melvin Butler, University of Chicago

Panelists:

- Patrick Sylvain, Brown University
Rebel Space: Bob Marley at the Haitian Musical Crossroads
- Kevin Mason, University of Miami
Musical Mobilization in Haiti: Jean-Michel Daudiers's "Le m Pa Wè Solèy La" and the overthrow of Jean-Claude Duvalier
- Rebecca Dirksen, University of California, Los Angeles
Haitian Composer-Pianists Lina Mathon Blanchet and Carmen Brouard: Forgotten Grandes Dames of Haitian Folklore and Visionary Leaders of the Avant-Garde

Session 4-D: Seeking Help from Within and Without: Community Reponse in the Wake of Disaster

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N4

Chair: Guerda Nicolas, University of Miami

Panelists:

- Billie Schwartz and Darren Bernal, University of Miami
Help Seeking Behavior of the Haitian Diaspora in the Wake of Disaster
- Anna Wheatley, University of Miami
"Nan mo nou" – An Indigenous Approach to Symptom Expression and Mental Health
- Casta Guillaume, University of Miami
Recipient of the HSA Emerging Scholar Award
The Guiding Principles of Implementing a Mental Health Capacity Program Internationally: Focus on Haiti

Session 4-E: From 1859 to Date: Literary Representations of Haitian Politics and Society

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O2

Chair: Marie-José Nzengou-Tayo, The University of the West Indies, Mona

Panelists:

- Antoinette Sol, University of Texas-Arlington
Politics of Domination: Representing Haiti in French Women's Novels of the 1820s
- Françoise Césaire, The University of the West Indies-Mona
Crimes d'états et états de crimes: Réflexions sur l'histoire haïtienne dans les romans noirs de Nick Stone
- Régine Joseph, Emmanuel College
Contextualizing Marie Vieux-Chauvet's Fille d'Haiti (1954)
- Lesley Curtis, University of New Hampshire
Defending the Past and Defining the Future in Emeric Bergaud's Stella (1859)

10:15-10:30 am

Coffee Break

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N2

10:35-12:00 pm

Plenary Session II: Cultures of Education: Youth and Development

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Charlene Désir, Vice-President, Haitian Studies Association

Panelists:

- Carl Campbell, The University of the West Indies, Mona
Education in Haiti in Caribbean Perspectives
- Jocelyne Trouillot, Université Caraïbe
Haitian Higher Education System Faces New Challenges
- Ronald Jean-Jacques, Université d'État Haiti
Necessary Reform of the UEH and the Higher Education System in Haiti
- Velma Pollard, The University of the West Indies, Mona
Two Languages: A Dilemma for Jamaican Youth

12:00-1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30-2:45 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS – 5

Session 5-A: Refondements: Gender, Hauntings, and Oral and Scriptorial History in Contemporary Haitian Women's Writings

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N4

Chair: Irlin François, Goucher College

Panelists:

- Johanna Garvey, Fairfield University
Words to Heal the Wounds: Amnesia and Silence as Testimony in Contemporary Haitian Women's Fiction
- Sarah Davies Cordova, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Face-à-face et revers de situation: Doter la mémoire pour confronter les sous-silences des Duvalier chez M.C. Agnant, E. Danticat, K. Mars, et E. Trouillot
- Irlin François, Goucher College
Témoignages, cris, et refondement dans Failles de Yanick Labens

Session 5-B: Geographies of the Haitian Diaspora

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N3

Chair: Regine Jackson, Emory University

Panelists:

- Regine O. Jackson, Emory University
The Uses of Diaspora Among Haitians in Boston
- Elizabeth McAlister, Wesleyan University
Listening for Geographies: Music as Sonic Compass Pointing Towards African and Christian Diasporic Horizons in the Caribbean
- Yanique Hume, The University of the West Indies-Cave Hill
On the Margins: The Emergence of a Haitian Diasporic Enclave in Eastern Cuba
- Fabienne Doucet, New York University
The Reproduction of Color and Class Hierarchies in Haitian Bilingual Classrooms
- Chantalle F. Verna, Florida International University
Haitian Migration and Community-Building in Southeastern Michigan

Session 5-C: Tradition vs. Innovation: Public Health and Human Rights in Haiti

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Patti Marxsen, Independent Writer

Panelists:

- Ellora Derenoncourt, London School of Economics and Political Science
The Crowding Out of Public Health Facilities in Post-Earthquake Haiti
- Michael Koster and Elizabeth Gilbert, Brown University
Creation of a Pediatric Medical Student Rotation in Haiti: International Cross-Institution Collaborations and Health System Strengthening
- Marie-Sabine Thomas, Bastyr University
Perspectives on Traditional and Natural Healthcare in Haiti
- Norly German, University of Rhode Island
When taking a Step Back is a Move Forward: Implementing a Program of Home Health Care in Haiti

Session 5-D: Technology, Leadership and Learning

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O3

Chair: Alison Désir, Columbia University

Panelists:

- Debra DiNola, University of Phoenix and Marlane Steinwart, Valparaiso University
The New Age of Technology and Global Leadership: How Haiti's Innovative Millennial Generation Helped Save Lives One-Click-at-a-Time
- Marc Prou, University of Massachusetts Boston
A Way of Thinking about Educational Reform in Haiti
- Bob Sinclair, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Public Education in an Evolving Democracy: Collective Concerns for School
- Annette Insanally, The University of the West Indies, Mona
Initiatives and Challenges in the Caribbean Region: Lessons Learned

Session 5-E: Reconstruction of Haiti from Rhetoric to Action:

International Aid, Foreign Affairs and Research

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room O2

Chair: Jennifer Greenburg, University of California, Berkeley

Panelists:

- Marc Cohen, Oxfam America
Rebati Lavi: Effectiveness, Accountability, and Equity in the Reconstruction of Haiti
- Faith Lemon, Columbia University
Rhetoric & Realities: A Human Rights-Based Approach to the Recovery & Development Enterprise in Haiti
- Laurence Miners, Fairfield University
Planners vs. Searchers: Using William Easterly's Paradigm to Examine Aid Initiatives in Haiti
- Chalmers Larose, Université du Québec-Montréal
Retracer la politique extérieure d'Haiti - Diagnostic et pronostic en temps de crise

2:55-4:10 pm

Plenary Session III: Creative Approaches to Healing

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Chair: Claudine Michel, Editor, Journal of Haitian Studies & Vice-President, Haitian Studies Association

Panelists:

- Yanick Lahens, Independent Writer
I Don't Write to Heal
- Erna Brodber, Independent Writer
Mining History for Social Healing
- Angela Gordon Stair, The University of the West Indies-Mona
Creative Approaches to Healing: The Case of One International Organization's Psychosocial Program in Haiti
- Guerda Nicolas, University of Miami
Healing Through Connections: A Look Towards the Future

4:10-4:25 pm

Coffee Break

Location: Faculty of Humanities and Education, Room N2

4:30-5:45 pm

Business Meeting of the Haitian Studies Association

Location: Neville Hall Lecture Theatre (N1)

Open to all Conference Participants

Election for HSA Board Membership

7:30-11:30 pm

Annual Banquet and Award Ceremony

Location: Country Kitchen, The Jamaica Pegasus Hotel

Master of Ceremonies: Dr. Matthew Smith, President, HSA

Introduction of Presenters: Dr. Charlene Désir, Vice-President, HSA

Award for Excellence: Yanick Lahens, Writer

Presented by: Patti Marxsen, Board Member, HSA

Award for Service: Ambassador Reginald Dumas, Former Special Adviser
on Haiti of former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan

Presented by: Dr. Marc Prou, Executive Director, HSA

Entertainment by: Ti-Magnum

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Recipient: Yanick Lahens

Yanick Lahens vit en Haïti. Elle a enseigné la littérature à l'université et fait de la radio. Elle est auteure de nouvelles, de romans, et de travaux critiques sur la littérature et la société haïtiennes dans des revues haïtiennes et étrangères. Elle a publié trois recueils de nouvelles: "Tante Résia et les Dieux" en 1994 chez l'Harmattan, "La Petite corruption" en 1999 aux Editions Mémoire de l'Encre, et "La Folie était venue avec la pluie" en 2007 aux Presses Nationales. Elle a aussi signé un essai: "Entre l'ancrage et la fuite" en 1990 aux Editions Deschamps et un roman "Dans la maison du père" au Serpent à Plumes en 2000 qui a reçu le LiBeraturspreis en Allemagne. Son deuxième roman, "La Couleur de l'aube," a paru en automne 2008 aux Editions Sabine Wespieser (Paris) et a obtenu quatre prix: le Prix Millepages Littérature Française 2008, le Prix Richelieu de la Francophonie en mars 2009, le Prix RFO en novembre 2009, et le Prix des Lecteurs de la Ville de Vincennes en octobre 2010 dans le cadre du Festival America 2010. "Failles," son récit sur le tremblement de terre, a paru en octobre 2010.

Yanick Lahens a enseigné à l'Ecole Normale Supérieure et a été membre du Premier Conseil de direction élu de cet établissement. Elle a aussi été membre du Comité de rédaction de la revue haïtiano-caribéenne *Chemins Critiques*, et est actuellement membre du comité de rédaction de la revue franco-haïtienne, *Conjonction*. Elle a été directrice exécutive du Projet "La Route de l'Esclave".

Lahens a été honorée en mai 2007 par une association de femmes haïtiennes, "Fanm Yo La," pour sa contribution au renforcement de la Société Civile en Haïti. Elle a été choisie par la Mairie de Nantes pour poser la première pierre du premier Mémorial en France de la Traité et de l'Esclavage. En plus, elle participera en tant que membre du Comité d'honneur à l'inauguration de ce Mémorial le 2 décembre 2011. Elle a reçu le grade d'Officier des Arts et des Lettres de la France en mars 2009 et recevra pour l'ensemble des ses oeuvres, le Prix d'Excellence de l'année 2011 de l'Association des Etudes Haïtiennes, une organisation regroupant des universitaires et des chercheurs d'Amérique du Nord, d'Europe, et d'Haïti..

Elle a mis sur pied en 2008 une fondation pour des actions plus ciblées auprès des jeunes dans le domaine de l'éducation et liées au développement durable et aux nouvelles technologies.

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Recipient: Ambassador Reginald Dumas

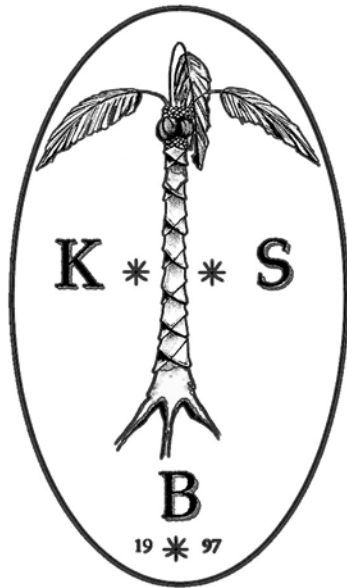
Reginald Dumas of Trinidad and Tobago brings a long and distinguished record of public service and international experience to our conference. Over the years, he has represented his home country throughout the Caribbean and the world, including in the role of Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the Organization of American States (OAS). He has served as Ambassador or High Commissioner to over a dozen nations as varied as Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean, Canada, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Uganda, the United States of America, and Zambia. In 2004, then UN Secretary-General, Kofi Annan, appointed him for six months as his Special Adviser on Haiti. Subsequently, Mr. Dumas, with his publishers, established the Medianet Haiti Relief Fund, of which he is the Chairman.

Mr. Dumas has also served on task forces, Constitution Commissions and Commissions of Inquiry in his country and elsewhere in the Caribbean. In 1992, he was Interim Executive Director of the Institute of Business at The University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago. In 1998, he co-founded Trinidad and Tobago's Transparency Institute, the National Chapter of Transparency International. Meanwhile, between 1998 and 2004, he applied his considerable skills as Deputy Coordinator of the CARICOM team for air services negotiations with the USA. He represented the Caribbean in 1989 and 1990 on the Working Group on the Commonwealth in the 1990s and beyond. He ended his formal Public Service career as Permanent Secretary to the Prime Minister and Head of the Public Service of Trinidad and Tobago. From commerce and communications to the improvement of social and educational governance, Mr. Dumas has always worked in the interest of mutual understanding and Caribbean advancement.

Reginald Dumas was educated in Trinidad and Tobago at the Chaguanas Government School and Queen's Royal College. He won a national scholarship in 1952 and received his first degree from Cambridge University in 1957 before being selected as a Carnegie Endowment Fellow at the prestigious *Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales et du Développement* in Geneva, Switzerland (1960-61). He later enjoyed a return to the academic life as a Visiting Fellow at Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford (1979-1980). In October this year, the University of the West Indies conferred on him the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws (LLD).

A regular contributor of newspaper columns and socio-political comment, Mr Dumas has published two books: *In the Service of the Public: Articles and Speeches 1963-1993, with Commentaries* (Canoe Press: UWI, 1995) and *An Encounter with Haiti: Notes of a Special Adviser* (Medianet: 2008).

ABOUT KOSANBA



Congress of Santa Barbara DECLARATION

Thirteen Haitian Scholars met in April 1997, at the University of California-Santa Barbara, for a colloquium on Haitian Vodou, *The Spirit and The Reality: Vodou and Haiti*. At the end of the conference, these scholars decided to institutionalize their efforts through a new association under the name, the Congress of Santa Barbara.

Imbued by a sense of collective wisdom and aware of the long, difficult and constant struggles and crises undergone by their homeland, the Founders and others who might join them pledged to create a space where scholarship on Vodou could be augmented. Cognizant of the meaning and the implications of this historic reunion where Haitian scholars seized the initiative, the Congress proposed to have an impact on Haitian cultural politics as well as on other measures and policies affecting the Republic of Haiti.

The presence, role and importance of Vodou in Haitian history, society and culture are inarguable, and recognizably a part of the national ethos. The impact of the religion qua spiritual and intellectual disciplines on popular national institutions, human and gender relations, the family, the plastic arts, philosophy and ethics, oral and written literature, language, sacred and popular music, science and technology, and the healing arts, is indisputable. It is the belief of the Congress of Santa Barbara that Vodou plays and will continue to play a major role in the grand scheme of Haitian development in the socio-economic, political, and cultural arenas. Development, when real and successful, always comes from the modernization of ancestral traditions anchored in the rich cultural expressions of a nation.

The Founders of the Congress of Santa Barbara invite all scholars and interested parties who subscribe to its goals and objectives to join it in the defense and illustration of this *potomitan* of the Haitian cultural heritage that is such an integral part of the country's future.

KOSANBA is proud to be a co-sponsor of the 23rd annual Haitian Studies Association conference and congratulates the association on another year of successful leadership in the field of Haitian Studies. KONSABA also salutes The University of the West Indies, Mona for its welcoming hospitality and commitment to Haiti.

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Keynote Speaker: Jean Métellus

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Keynote Speaker: Vèvè Clark

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Keynote Speaker: Sidney Mintz

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Keynote Speaker: Leslie Desmangles

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Keynote Speaker: Yves Dejean

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Keynote Speaker: Frantz Leconte

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Keynote Speaker: Dr. Rose-Marie Toussaint

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Keynote Speaker: Lionel Trouillot

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