**Foro Latinoamericano 2020**

April 17-18

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**PROGRAM**

**Friday, April 17 (Athenaeum)**
5:00 p.m. Welcome
Professor Beverly Nagel, Dean of the College

George Reid Andrews, Distinguished Professor of History at the University of Pittsburgh. “Blackness in Latin America”

Reception to follow

Dinner*

**Saturday, April 18 (Athenaeum)**
9:00 a.m. Coffee and rolls

9:30 a.m. Robin D. Moore, Professor of Ethnomusicology at the University of Texas at Austin. “Afrocubanismo and its Cultural Legacy”

10:30 a.m. Valeria Ginberg Pla, Professor of Spanish at Bowling Green State University. “Migration, Pan-Africanism and Resistance in the Writings of Eric Walrond, Claude McKay, and Samuel Nation”

11:30 a.m. Final Comments

Lunch*

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**All Events Are Open To The Public**

*Dinner and lunch will be hosted for alumni, majors, minors, faculty and special guests of the Latin American Studies Program at Carleton College.

Please RSVP for dinner and/or lunch to Mary Tatge at mmatge@carleton.edu or at 507-222-4252, by April 1, 2020.

For further questions, contact this year’s Foro Latinoamericano organizer Professor Yansi Pérez, (yperez@carleton.edu, x 5556)

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Each year, students, faculty and alumni of the Latin American Studies Program convene to share in an academic experience that brings to the fore and to campus a major topic, event, and country of Latin America. Originally designed as a capstone experience for the students of the program, we have expanded the Foro to include our alumni and the program’s entire faculty in order to give it a truly communal sense. The Foro will also provide the Carleton community at large with the opportunity to participate in a major event involving Latin America.

The constructed national identities throughout the Latin American region often conflicted with the reality of the racial make-up of these societies. Any attempt to understand the region must include the evolution of racial ideas in these societies. This year’s Foro will examine the social, political, and cultural constructions of race in Latin America. Our fundamental question will be: How did different Latin American societies construct and interpret racial identities and ideologies? This year’s Foro speakers will explore various constructions of Blackness in Latin America through music, literature, and history.

Robin Moore (PhD, The University of Texas at Austin, 1995), Professor of Ethnomusicology, has received awards including fellowships from the ACLS, the Rockefeller Foundation, the MacArthur Foundation, and the National Humanities Center. His research interests include music and race, music curriculum reform, and music of Cuba and Latin America more generally. His book publications include Nationalizing Blackness: afrocubanismo and artistic revolution in Havana, 1920-1940 (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1998), Music and Revolution, Cultural Change in Socialist Cuba (The University of California Press, 2006), and Fernando Ortiz on Music (Temple University Press, 2018) among others. His recent awards include the Robert Stevenson Award from the American Musicological Society the Bela Bartok Award for outstanding ethnomusicology publication from ASCAP, both from 2013. Since 2005, he has served as editor of the Latin American Music Review.


Valeria Grinberg Pla is a cultural critic from Buenos Aires, Argentina. Her work explores the political in film and literature. She is professor of Spanish at Bowling Green State University, Ohio. She is the author of Eva Perón: cuerpo-género-nación (2013), and coeditor of Narrativas del crimen en América Latina: transformaciones y transculturaciones del policial (2012, with Brigitte Adriaensen). With Ricardo Roque Baldovinos, she coordinated the second volume of the series ‘Towards a History of the Central American Literatures’, Tensiones de la modernidad: del modernismo al realismo (2009). She has written about Afro-Caribbean writers, especially from Costa Rica.