

EMPOWERING
THE TRIBE

SYMPOSIUM

ON LGBTI ISSUES



NOV. 3-4, 2011

Thursday, November 3

1:30-1:40 pm — Opening Session: Jeremy Travis, President, John Jay College/CUNY

1:40-3:00 pm — Panel: “Doing Social Science Research with LGBTQ Populations: Power and Violence in Men who have Sex with Men.” Chair: Chitra Raghavan, John Jay College/CUNY. Papers by John Jay College students: Chelsea Shotwell-Tabke, “Politics and History of Research Realities with Queer Populations in Psychology”; Jillian Dispoto, “Abuse Dynamics and Schemes of Power”; Rosa María Vinas, “Males in Violent Relationships and Perception of Power.”

3:10-4:30 pm — Panel (This session is in Spanish): “Eroticism, the Lesbian Body, and Poetry.” Chair: Liliana Soto-Fernández, John Jay College/CUNY. Papers: The Cuban poet Alina Galliano will read excerpts from her poem book *Los días que ahora tengo* (forthcoming), Elena Martínez, Baruch College/CUNY, “La escritura del cuerpo lésbico: la poesía de Alina Galliano.”

6:00-7:45 pm — Dinner, Keynote Speaker: Pauline Park, Chair of the New York Association for Gender Rights Advocacy (NYAGRA)

Friday, November 4

9:00-9:50 am — Keynote Speaker: Daniel Balderston, Mellon Professor of Modern Languages at the University of Pittsburgh, “‘A Man Kicked to Death’ to ‘Killing a Fag’: Representations of Violence and Traditions of LGBT Writing in Latin America.”

10:00 am-noon — Panel: “LGBTI Movements in Latin America.” Chair: Silvia G. Dapia, John Jay College/CUNY. Papers: Shawn Schulenberg, Marshall University, “The Lavender Tide? LGBT Movements and Their Relationship with the Newly Resurgent Left in Latin America”; Leonardo Raznovich, Christ Church University, Great Britain, “Argentina: A Queer country”; Guillermo de los Reyes Heredia, University of Houston, “Queer Migrations: Performing Sexuality, Gender and Mexican Identity in Houston”; Raúl Rubio, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, John Jay College/CUNY, “Queer Stand-up Comedy: Art Form, Theory, and Community Empowerment.”

12:15-1:30 pm — Lunch

1:45-2:30 pm — Keynote Speaker: Victoria Neilson, Legal Director at the Immigration Equality/Action Fund

2:40-4:30 pm — Panel: “Law, Violence and the LGBTI Community.” Chair: Raúl Romero, John Jay College/CUNY. Papers: Marc R. Poirier, J.D., LL.M., Professor and Martha Traylor Research Fellow, Seton Hall University School of Law, “Did Dharun Ravi Commit a Bias Crime?”; Geoffrey L. Ream, Adelphi University, “Harm Reduction, Youth Development, and Community Building in Services to Homeless LGBT Youth”; Rachel A. McCroy, New York University, “Marginalized Domestic Violence Victims: Stereotypes, Sexism, Heterosexism, and Defining Appropriate Outreach.”

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