

Cultures and Conflict

Exploring Cultural Dimensions
of the Cold War from Latin America

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Thursday July 25th, 2024

2:00pm

Introductions | Cary Aileen García Yero, Stefan Rinke, Karina Kriegesmann

2:30pm-4:30pm

1 I Music and Political Agency

Moderator | Anja Bandau (Leibniz University Hannover)

Commentator | Alejandro L. Madrid (Harvard University)

Christina Richter-Ibáñez (Frankfurt University of Music and Performing Arts HfMDK) | Latin American Popular Music in the Cold War.

Matthias Pasdzierny (University of the Arts Berlin) | Playing Bossa at the Berlin Wall: The Jazzfest Berlin as a Showcase for Musical Relations between Germany and Latin America during the Cultural Cold War.

Natália Ayo Schmiedecke (Hamburg University) | Two distant peoples that can sing together: Musical exchanges between Chile and Cuba during the Allende government.

Coffee break

5:00pm-7:30pm

**2 I Memories and Oral Histories of the Cold War:
Cuba-Socialist Europe**

Moderator | Delia González de Reufels (Bremen University)

Commentator | Christine Hatzky (Leibniz University Hannover)

Jacqueline Loss (University of Connecticut) | The Cuban-Soviet-Russian Relationship through Artistic Explorations in the 21st Century.

Rainer G. Schultz (Consortium for Advanced Studies Abroad, Cuba) | “Tractors instead of Cadillacs”: Notes on the Cultural Dimensions of Cuba’s Geopolitical Shifts during the Cold War.

Kateřina Březinová (Metropolitan University Prague) | Students, Teachers, Hearts and Minds: The Cold War Education Diplomacy of Czechoslovakia in Cuba, 1959-1990.

Milagro de la Caridad Álvarez Leliebre (Freie Universität Berlin) | Race, Gender and Region in Cuban Labour Migration in the GDR: An Approach from Life Histories.

Participants' Dinner

Friday July 26th, 2024

9:00am-11:00am

3 | Culture and Latin American Inter-Regional Foreign Relations

Moderator: Thomas Fischer (Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt)

Commentator: Stefan Rinke (Freie Universität Berlin)

Flávio M. Heinz (Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro) | Latin American Social Sciences and Humanities Scholars of the Rockefeller Foundation during the Cold War: Prosopography, Intellectual Trends and Cultural Exchange.

Randall Chaves Zamora (Freie Universität Berlin) | Intellectuals of Freedom: The Congress for Cultural Freedom and Cultural Cold War in Central America (1948-1963).

Juan Alberto Salazar Rebolledo (Freie Universität Berlin) | The Making of a Third World Movie Star: Luis Echeverría's 1975 Tour in Cuba.

Coffee Break

11:30am-1:30pm

4 | The Different Faces of Education Policy

Moderator: Lucio Piccoli (Freie Universität Berlin)

Commentator: Tanya Harmer (The London School of Economics and Political Science)

Claudia Martínez Hernández (University of Vienna) | Unveiling Partnerships: Exploring the Support of the GDR for the Cuban Female Revolution.

Karina Kriegesmann (Freie Universität Berlin) | Forging Bonds in West Berlin: Intersections of Culture and Politics in Cold War Latin American Studies.

Cary Aileen García Yero (Freie Universität Berlin/ Leibniz University Hannover) | Teaching in Another Comrade's Revolution: Eastern European Art Professors and the Challenges of Everyday Life in Cuba, 1960s-1970s.

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