

# MACLAS

## Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies

WINTER NEWSLETTER

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by Kathleen Cunliffe Peña (2018-2019)

It is a busy time of year for MACLAS! The Executive Council is working diligently to plan this year's conference and awards. Our Conference Program Chair, Franca Roibal Fernández, has put together a very exciting program that I am thrilled to share with you. You can view this year's preliminary program at <http://www.maclas.org/maclas-2019-suny-stony-brook/>. Please remember to register for the conference and renew your MACLAS membership at <https://maclas2019.exordo.com>, and plan a lovely spring weekend in Long Island. In this newsletter, you'll find a list of places to eat and things to do while you're in town for the conference.

I also have a new development to report: Long-time MACLAS members might recall the John Street Prize, which was historically given to the best article published during the previous two years in *MACLAS Essays*. During our fall EC meeting, we voted to bring back the Street Prize starting in 2020. In its new form, the Street Prize will be awarded to the best article published during the previous two years in *MARLAS (Middle Atlantic Review of Latin American Studies)*, with a prize committee independent of the Editorial Board.

Speaking of *MARLAS*, don't miss updates from Managing Editor Ivani Vassoler on page 5. Congratulations to Ivani and the *MARLAS* editorial team on the latest issue!



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# Things to Do In & Around Stony Brook, New York

While you're in town for our spring conference...

## Restaurants:

**Brew Cheese** (Stony Brook) – Serving local and imported beers, cheese boards, and interesting grilled cheese creations

**Harmony Vineyards** (Smithtown) – Their vineyard terrace overlooks the vines and lets guests enjoy waterfront vistas. Featuring movie nights on Fridays and "Tasting Notes Jazz Club" on Thursdays and Saturdays

**Green Cactus Fresh Mexican Grill** (Stony Brook) – Mexican counter-serve chain known for fish tacos, burritos, and self-serve salsa bar

**Del fuego** (St. James) – Tex-mex restaurant with local goods and over 50 tequilas in a funky, art-adorned space

**Pentimento** (St. James) – Seasonal Italian fare, including house made pasta, in cozy quarters

**Mirabelle Restaurant at the Three Village Inn** (Stony Brook) – American comfort food and French bistro classics

**PJ Lobster House** (Port Jefferson) – Restaurant and fish market specializing in fresh lobster

**The Fifth Season** (Port Jefferson) – Locavore American eatery with a harbor view



## To do:

**Avalon Park and Reserve:** A nature park with walking trails and a duck pond, located 1.6 miles from the SBU campus

**Stony Brook Village:** Includes shops, restaurants, cafes, and a carriage museum (<http://www.stonybrookvillage.com/>)

**Three Village Historical Society** (Setauket, NY): Learn more about local history, such as Native Americans who first called this region home and General Washington's Culper Spy Ring ([www.threevillagehistoricalsociety.org](http://www.threevillagehistoricalsociety.org))

**The Jazz Loft** (Stony Brook, NY): A collaborative center run by a historian, the Jazz Loft features talented musicians and historic jazz memorabilia ([www.thejazzloft.org](http://www.thejazzloft.org))

**Port Jefferson Harbor** (pictured above): Downtown Port Jefferson offers shops, restaurants, and the family-friendly Maritime Explorium

# Getting to and around Long Island

## Travel and parking information for MACLAS 2019

Stony Brook University is accessible by car, train, or plane. The Long Island Rail has a stop on the Stony Brook campus, just a few minutes' walk from the Humanities Institute and the Wang Center, where our events will take place.

**Traveling by car:** From New York City and other points west of Southampton, travelers would take I-495 (Long Island Expressway) to Route 111.

**Traveling by plane:** Long Island's Islip-MacArthur Airport is 16 miles from the campus and is serviced by direct flights and commuter airlines. New York Area Airports (LaGuardia, JFK, and Newark) are approximately 50 miles to the west. From Kennedy Airport, you can take the AirTrain to Jamaica Station and transfer to the Long Island Railroad for the train to Stony Brook.

**Traveling by train:** Take the Long Island Railroad's Port Jefferson line from Penn Station in Manhattan to Stony Brook. The LIRR station is at the north end of the campus.

**Taxi/Uber:** If you arrive to campus by taxi, the closest address for both the Humanities Institute (Friday panels) and the Wang Center (Saturday panels) is: 100 Nicolls Rd, Stony Brook, NY 11790.

## Parking on campus

**Hotel Parking:** Attendees who are staying at the recommended hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn Stony Brook, will have hotel parking. The Humanities Institute and Charles B. Wang Center are both within a 5-minute walk from the hotel.

**Campus Parking:** Parking is available in the **Admin Garage**, located directly across the street from the Hilton Garden Inn Stony Brook. Parking validation for Friday will be available at the conference registration table for \$5. Parking is free on Saturday. The Humanities Institute and the Charles B. Wang Center are both within a 5-minute walk from the garage.

## Member Spotlight

**Diane Johnson** was promoted to Full Professor of Politics at Lebanon Valley College. Congratulations, Diane!

**Ana Moraña, Gonzalo Aguiar Malosetti, Carlos Rodríguez McGill, Ivani Vassoler, and Kathleen Cunniffe Peña** will present a panel at LASA in May 2019. Their panel is entitled "Discurso cultural y sordera política: medios masivos y cultura popular de Latinoamérica (cine y televisión)."

## Publications

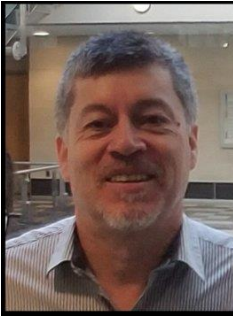
Fernando López-Alves and **Diane Johnson**, Eds. *Populist Nationalism in Europe and the Americas*. Routledge, 2019.

**Luis Roniger**. *Historia mínima de los derechos humanos en América Latina*. El Colegio de México, 2018.

**Adam Shellhorse**. "Augusto de Campos." *Dictionary of Literary Biography: Twenty-First Century Brazilian Writers*. Volume 384. Eds. Monica Rector and Robert Anderson. Gale, 2019 (forthcoming).

# Elections: Candidate Bios

EC positions are uncontested, but require a vote of confidence. Vote online [HERE](#).



## Candidate for Vice President, 2019-2020

Assistant Professor of Anthropology at West Chester University, **León Arredondo** was born in Colombia, where he completed his secondary education. He obtained a BA degree in anthropology from Montclair State University and a Ph.D. in anthropology from the Graduate Center-CUNY. He has taught anthropology and Latin American Studies in the City University of New York (CUNY) system, Colby College, Kean College, Felician College, and the University of Costa Rica, and currently teaches at West Chester University in Pennsylvania. His primary area of research is working-class culture and politics. León is currently serving as a member of the MACLAS Executive Council.



## Candidate for Executive Council (3-year term)

**Norah L. A. Gharala** is Assistant Professor of World History at Georgian Court University in Lakewood, NJ, and specializes in the histories of Mexico and the early modern Iberian empires. Norah teaches across global history to place colonial Latin America in Atlantic, hemispheric, and Pacific contexts. Among Norah's publications are *Taxing Blackness: Free Afromexican Tribute in Bourbon New Spain* (2019) and articles in *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Studies* (2018) and *The Americas* (2016).



## Candidate for Executive Council (3-year term)

**Gonzalo Aguiar Malosetti** is an Assistant Professor of Spanish and Portuguese at SUNY Oswego. His research on Latin American intellectual history, literature, cinema, and theatre has been published in journals such as *Revista de Estudios Hispánicos*, *Latin American Theatre Review*, and *Hispanic Review*. His forthcoming book *La modernidad refractada: pensamiento, creación y resistencia en la historia intelectual de Argentina, Brasil y Uruguay (1900-1935)* will be published in 2019 by Editorial Cuarto Propio (Santiago de Chile). His most recent work includes a number of articles, essays, and reviews devoted to José Enrique Rodó's legacy on the centennial of his death. At SUNY Oswego he is also the organizer and coordinator of the Spanish Colloquium and the Brazilian Film Series, both annual events made in conjunction with his other teaching and scholarly responsibilities as Faculty Resident Mentor.



## Candidate for Executive Council (3-year term)

**Melixa Abad-Izquierdo** is Assistant Professor of History at Farmingdale State College in Farmingdale, NY. Her most recent publication is, "Mexican Teleteatros: The Cultural Politics of Prime-Time Series" (*Journal of Iberian and Latin American Studies*, October, 2017). Her research interests are Latin American popular culture and its connections to politics, gender and race.



# Middle Atlantic Review of Latin American Studies welcomes contributions from all MACLAS members

The journal's Editorial Board invites all MACLAS members to submit articles and reviews which are accepted on a rolling basis for the June and December issues.

In March, as we meet at the Stony Brook University for the MACLAS conference, MARLAS will celebrate its second year. MARLAS inaugural issue was launched in 2017 during the MACLAS annual meeting at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville; since then it has been published regularly with contributions from authors from United States and several Latin American countries. The Editorial Board is fully engaged in the editorial process, and the journal relies on a great number of colleagues for the external peer review process.

As we start the year, the Editorial Board is now preparing Vol 3 (issue 1 in June; and issue 2 in December). We encourage you to submit your work electronically and spread the word about MARLAS, an interdisciplinary and peer-reviewed journal focusing on Latin American Studies. MARLAS is integrated to the LASA Research Commons digital platform.

<https://www.larcommons.net/>

MARLAS is thankful to MACLAS for its unwavering support of the publication.

Best wishes for a great conference!

## Announcing the Winner of the Espadas Prize

For best paper presented by an undergraduate student at our 2018 conference



The winner of this year's Juan Espadas Prize is **Emma Glubiak** of **Lafayette College** for her paper "Branding a City Around Food: Media and Culinary Tourism in Lima, Peru." Congratulations, Emma! Emma attended the 2018 MACLAS Conference with her thesis advisor, Dr. Rebecca Pite. She graduated in 2018 with a degree in International Affairs and a minor in Spanish. Now living in New York, Emma currently works for a food and lifestyle website called Apartment Therapy and The Kitchn, and is considering pursuing a higher degree in Food Studies.

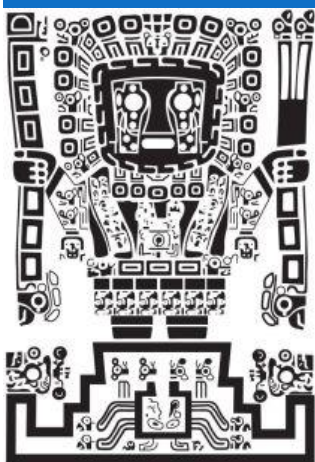
### A note on MACLAS Student Prizes:

Each year, MACLAS offers the **Espadas Prize for best undergraduate paper** presented at the conference, and the **Martz Prize for best graduate paper** presented at the conference. Both awards include a cash prize of \$300 in addition to recognition of scholarly excellence. The deadline for these awards is in the fall, giving student presenters time during the summer to polish their papers before submitting them. For submission details, please visit our website: <http://www.maclas.org/prizes/>.

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[www.maclas.org](http://www.maclas.org)



The [Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies](#) is comprised of scholars, researchers, teachers, students, and interested professionals in all disciplines and pursuits from the region comprised of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. MACLAS has as its objectives promoting and developing interest in Latin American Studies and affairs. The organization was founded in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania in 1979. The MACLAS newsletter is published three times a year.

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