

**BRAZILIAN LITERATURE IN AN INTER-AMERICAN CONTEXT:
A SYMPOSIUM AT BROWN UNIVERSITY**

MAY 1-2, 2009

**Smith Buonano Hall
(Pembroke Campus)**

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2009

3:00pm – 3:45pm: Registration and Coffee

3:45pm – Conference Opening
Remarks by Rex P. Nielson and Luiz F. Valente

4:00pm – 5:30pm: PANEL I

Moderator: GEORGE MONTEIRO (Brown University)

RENATA M. WASSERMAN (Wayne State University)
"Money, Race, and Literature in the U.S. and Brazil"

NELSON H. VIEIRA (Brown University)
"Brazil: A Case of Mistaken Identity or Why Brazilian Literature Hasn't Traveled"

5:30pm – 5:45pm: Break

5:45pm – 7:15pm: KEYNOTE ADDRESS I

EARL FITZ (Vanderbilt University)
"From the Margin to the Mainstream: Moving Brazilian Literature into the
Heart of the Inter-American Project"

SATURDAY MAY 2, 2009

9:00am – 10am: Coffee

10:00am – 11:30am: PANEL II
Moderator: Onésimo T. Almeida (Brown University)

CHARLES PERRONE (University of Florida)
"Interfaces: Invention, Insularity, Brazilian Lyric In/and the Americas"

LUIZ F. VALENTE (Brown University)
"History, Fiction and National Identity"

11:30am – 11:45am – Coffee Break

11:45am – 12:45pm: ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION
"Teaching and Practicing Brazilian Literature in an Inter-American Context"

12:45pm – 2:00pm: Lunch

2:00pm – 3:30pm : PANEL III
Moderator: Leonor Simas-Almeida (Brown University)

PAULO DA LUZ MOREIRA (Yale University)
"Comparatively Speaking: Modernism and Localism in the Americas"

REX P. NIELSON (Brown University)
"A National Forest? The Amazon in Milton Hatoum's *Órfãos do Eldorado*
and José Eustacio Rivera's *La Vorágine*"

3:30pm – 3:45pm – Break

3:45pm - 5:15pm – KEYNOTE ADDRESS II

GEORGE HANDLEY (Brigham Young University)
"Inter-American Cultural Theory as Postcolonial Ecology"

5:15pm – 5:30pm – Closing

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