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## Program (All Panels: PB 192)

#### Friday, March 13, 2015

9:15 - 9:30 a.m.

Opening remarks by Dr. José Díaz, dean of the College of Arts and Humanities

9:30 – 11 a.m.

- I. Construction of Identity, Self, and Others
  - Lupe Remigio, "Historical and Contemporary Issues of Black Manhood in August Wilson's Fences and Jesmyn Ward's Men We Reaped"
  - Briana Lucas, "Identity as Invention of Self in Sherman Alexie's Ten Little Indians"
  - Esmeralda Gamez, "Meeting Bea Franco:
     Transforming Jack Kerouac's Mexican Girl from
     Accessory in On the Road to Human Being in Tim Z.

     Hernandez's Mañana Means Heaven"
  - Cynthia Jones, "Into the Gloaming: Literary Impressionism in N. Scott Momaday's The Names" Moderator: Carrie Miller (MA Composition)

11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

- II. Articulating Trauma in the Wake of Violence
  - Anna Garcia Muñoz, "Post-Traumatic Stress
     Disorder in Julia Alvarez's How the Garcia Girls Lost
     Their Accents and Manual Muñoz's The Faith
     Healer of Olive Avenue"
  - Jacob Rogers, "The 'Uncoiling' of Racial Divisions in the Works of Ralph Ellison"

- Alex Porraz, "War, Violence, and Memories in Art Spiegelman's Maus I"
- Hilary Pacheco, "Gendered Violence and Powerlessness in Manuel Muñoz's The Faith Healer of Olive Avenue" Moderator: Monique Quintana (MFA Poetry)

LUNCH BREAK: 12:45 – 1:45 p.m.

Keynote: Manuel Muñoz 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. PB 191

3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

III. Together Alone: Society, Self, and the Symbolic

- Bryce Downing, "Impact of Immigration Expressed Through Symbolism in Reyna Grande's The Distance Between Us"
- Maryrose Moreno, "Coalesced Alienation in Manuel Munoz's The Faith Healer of Olive Avenue"
- Debbie Sayachack, "The Mexican American Mothers' Communal Pain in The Faith Healer of Olive Avenue"

Moderator: Sandip Roy (MBA International Marketing)

### Craft Talk with Manuel Muñoz

Saturday, March 14, 2015 12:00pm – 2:00pm Peters Building, Room 390

