

UCMLA

Undergraduate Conference on Multiethnic Literatures of the Americas

Friday, March 11, 2022

8:00-8:30 — Opening Remarks by Fresno State President Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-open>

Moderator: Dr. Melanie Hernandez

9:00-10:30 — Session 1: Dismantling Power Structures

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-s1>

Andrea Perez-Basurto, "Alienation and Identity Problems in Tommy Orange's *There There*"

Mallory Crow, "Crucified by Paternalism: Acevedo's Feminist Challenging of Catholicism in *The Poet X*"

Desiree Gonzalez, "Anzaldúan Queer Consciousness in Lori Saffin's *Captive Genders: Transempodiment and the Prison Industrial Complex*"

Hannah Leece, "Put Down Your Pencils: Finding Alternatives to Standardized Testing"

Moderator: Mia De La Cerda (M.A. English, Literature)

11:15-12:45 — Session 2: Resisting Stereotypes

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-s2>

Lindsay Norton, "Identities of Resistance: The Formation of the Urban Indian in Physical Places and Digital Spaces in Tommy Orange's *There There*"

Laura Thor, "Giving Voice to Black Men in Sherley Anne Williams' *Dessa Rose*"

Griffin Sharp, "The Social Mask of Race in Art Spiegelman's *Maus*"

Gloria Luna, "Chola Fashion: A Symbol of Resistance"

Moderator: Julieta Ortiz (M.A. English, Literature)

12:45-2:00 — Lunch

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2:00-3:30 — Keynote 1: Dr. Rajini Srikanth

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Moderator: Graciela Sierra-Moreno (M.A. English, Literature)

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4:15-5:45 — Session 3: Reclaiming the Narrative

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-s3>

Alea Droker, "Voicing the Silenced Record: Amanda Kemp's *Show Me the Franklins*"

Scarleth Cortes, "The Craft of Tequila Making: A Chicanx Cultural Studies Analysis"

Rebecca Colbert, "Ride or Die: An Analysis of Low Riders through Bourdieusian and Marxist Theories"

Armando Aranda, "Harlem Heroes: A Digital Tour of Harlem Renaissance Cartoonists"

Moderator: Alexander Flores (M.A English, Literature)

7:00-8:30 — Keynote 2: Amparo Ortiz

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-ao>

Moderator: Dr. René Rodríguez-Astacio

Saturday, March 12, 2022

12:00-1:30 — Craft Talk: Amparo Ortiz

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/ucmla22-talk>

Moderator: Dr. René Rodríguez-Astacio



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