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Welcome from the Director

Welcome to *La Nueva Voz*! This new digital newsletter will continue to be a platform for us to showcase our work and to share our thanks for the support that we receive from esteemed partners and friends. In particular, we extend a warm welcome to our Latina/o and Latin American studies alumni, and invite you to [share your news with us](#).

This year we welcomed Alexandros (Alex) Valiantis to the Institute, following the retirement of long-time administrator Anne Theriault in 2018. Alex brings new energy, skill, and imagination to the job, as well as a strong dedication to Latinx issues and initiatives. When you are next at El Instituto, please give him a warm welcome.

Samuel Martínez

Director of El Instituto and Professor of Anthropology

Recent News



A Note from Your Librarian

Humanities and social sciences librarian Marisol Ramos discusses her trip to the International Book Fair in Guadalajara, Mexico.

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Learning to be Latino

Students, friends, and faculty gathered in the UConn Puerto Rican and Latin American Cultural Center in October to get a preview of Assistant Professor Daisy Verduzco Reyes' book, *Learning to Be Latino*.

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Illuminating the Path with Maria Hinojosa

The NPR host joined PR/LACC Director Fany Hannon at Jorgensen Auditorium this fall, where she shared her experience as a journalist and media entrepreneur.

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Robert G. Mead Lecture Series

Kevin Johnson, dean of the UC Davis School of Law and long-time expert on immigration law, delivered the 2018 Mead Lecture on "Immigration in a Time of Trump."

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Tertulia con Scott Wallace

Scott Wallace, UConn associate professor of journalism, gave a talk on his recent *National Geographic* cover story, which focused on the protection of isolated tribes in the Amazon.

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Tertulia Con Solsiree del Moral

Solsiree del Moral, visiting professor in history at UMass Amherst, discussed her forthcoming book, a historical study of street children and incarcerated youth in post-World War II Puerto Rico.

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The U Turn

Filmmaker Luis Argueta visited UConn in September to screen his 2016 documentary, which focused on the arrest of 389 immigrant workers in the Agriprocessors meat-packing plant in Postville, Iowa.

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Tinker Spotlight

UConn graduate student Victoria Almodóvar discusses her recent study that examines the access and utilization of mental health services



among Latino communities in the United States.

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Puerto Rican Studies Association

Read highlights from the Puerto Rican Studies Association's 13th biennial conference, which was held at Rutgers University in 2018.

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Upcoming Events

Eyzaguirre Lecture: Lázaro Lima, University of Richmond

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Tuesday, March 5

4:00-6:00 p.m.

Homer Babbidge Library, Class of 1947 Room
Storrs Campus

HACHA: Alternative Hour for a Hospitable Community of Border-Crossing Academics

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Wednesday, March 13

12:00-2:00 p.m.

El Instituto, Ryan Building

Storrs Campus

**Tertulia with Amanda
Guzman: “From Island to
Museum: Narrating Puerto
Rican Museum Object
Itineraries”**

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Wednesday, March 27

12:00-2:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, April 10

12:00-2:00 p.m.

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