Calling All Members

Nominations Invited For 2009 Slate

Deadline: June 1, 2008

LASA members are invited to suggest nominees for Vice President and three members of the Executive Council, for terms beginning May 1, 2009. Criteria for nomination include professional credentials and previous service to LASA. Each candidate must have been a member of the Association in good standing for at least one year prior to nomination. Biographic data and the rationale for nomination must be sent by June 1, 2008 to LASA Executive Director Milagros Perevra-Rojas at the LASA Secretariat, 416 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. E-mail: lasa@pitt.edu.

The winning candidate for Vice President will serve in that capacity until October 31, 2010, and then as President for an additional eighteen months. Executive Council members will serve a three-year term from May 1, 2009, to April 30, 2011.

Members of the Nominations Committee are Laurence Whitehead, chair, Oxford University, Nuffield College; Laurence Prescott, Penn State University; Marcelo Ridenti, Universidade de São Paulo; Candace Slater, University of California, Berkeley; Irene Silverblatt, Duke University; Barbara Stallings, Brown University and Deborah Yashar, Princeton University who will serve as the liaison with the LASA Executive Council.

Call For Silvert Award Nominations

Deadline: Iune 1, 2008

The Kalman Silvert Award Committee invites nominations of candidates for the year 2009 award. The Silvert Award recognizes senior members of the profession who have made distinguished lifetime contributions to the study of Latin America. The award is given every 18 months. Past recipients of the Silvert Award were: John J. Johnson (1983); Federico Gil (1985); Albert O. Hirschman (1986); Charles Wagley (1988); Lewis Hanke (1989); Victor L. Urquidi (1991); George Kubler (1992); Osvaldo Sunkel (1994); Richard Fagen (1995); Alain Touraine (1997); Richard Adams (1998); Jean Franco (2000); Thomas Skidmore (2001); Guillermo O'Donnell (2003); June Nash (2004); Miguel León-Portilla (2006) and Helen Safa (2007)

The selection committee consists of Charles R. Hale (chair), LASA immediate past president; Sonia E. Alvarez and Marysa Navarro, past presidents; Philip Oxhorn, editor of the Latin American Research Review: and Helen Safa, 2007 Kalman Silvert awardee. Nominations should be sent to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas at the LASA Secretariat, 416 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. E-mail: lasa@pitt.edu by June 1, 2008. Please include biographic information and a rationale for each nomination

Call For Bryce Wood Book Award **Nominations**

Deadline: November 1, 2008

At each International Congress, the Latin American Studies Association presents the Bryce Wood Book Award to the most outstanding book on Latin America in the social sciences and humanities published in English. Eligible books for the 2009 LASA International Congress will be those published between January 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008. Although no book may compete more than once, translations may be considered. Anthologies of selections by several authors or re-editions of works published previously normally are not in contention for the award. Books will be judged on the quality of the research, analysis, and writing, and the significance of their contribution to Latin American studies. Books may be nominated by authors, LASA members, or publishers. Persons who nominate books are responsible for confirming the publication date and for forwarding one copy directly to each member of the Award Committee, at the expense of the authors or publishers.

All books nominated must reach each member of the Award Committee by November 1, 2008. By the month preceding the next International Congress (June 2009), the committee will select a winning book. It may also name an honorable mention. The award will be announced at the Award Ceremony of the LASA2009 business meeting, and the awardee will be publicly honored. LASA membership is not a requirement to receive the award.

Members of the 2009 committee are:

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Call For Premio Iberoamericano Book Award Nominations

Deadline: November 1, 2008

The Premio Iberoamericano is presented at each of LASA's International Congresses for the outstanding book on Latin America in the social sciences and humanities published in Spanish or Portuguese in any country. Eligible books for the 2009 award must have been published between January 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008. No book may compete more than once. Normally not in contention for the award are anthologies of selections by several authors or reprints or re-editions of works published previously. Books will be judged on the quality of the research, analysis, and writing, and the significance of their contribution to Latin American studies. Books may be nominated by authors, LASA members, or publishers. Individuals who nominate books are responsible for confirming the publication date and for forwarding one copy directly to each member of the award committee, at the expense of those submitting the books.

All books must reach *each member* of the committee by *November 1, 2008*. LASA membership is not a requirement for receiving the award. The award will be announced at the Award Ceremony of the LASA2009 business meeting, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

Members of the 2009 committee are:

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Call For Nominations LASA Media Award

Deadline: November 1, 2008

The Latin American Studies Association is pleased to announce its competition for the year 2009 LASA Media Awards for outstanding media coverage of Latin America. These awards are made every eighteen months to recognize long-term journalistic contributions to analysis and public debate about Latin America in the United States and in Latin America, as well as breakthrough journalism. Nominations are invited from LASA members and from journalists. Journalists from both the print and electronic media are eligible. The Committee will carefully review each nominee's work and select an award recipient. The award will be announced at the Award Ceremony of the LASA2009 business meeting, and the awardee will be publicly honored. LASA may invite the awardee to submit materials for possible publication in the LASA Forum. Recent recipients of the awards include: Gustavo Gorriti of Caretas, Lima, Peru (1998); Patricia Verdugo Aguirre of Conama, Chile and Diario 16, Spain (2000); Guillermo González Uribe of Número, Bogotá (2001); Eduardo Anguita, freelance journalist, Buenos Aires (2003); Maria Ester Gilio (2006); Julio Scherer, journalist, Mexico (2004) and Hollman Morris of Morris Producciones y Comunicaciones, Colombia (2007).

To make a nomination, please send one copy of the journalist's portfolio of recent relevant work to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas at the LASA Secretariat, 416 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. E-mail: lasa@pitt.edu by November 1, 2008:

Members of the Media Award committee are: Christy Thornton, North American Congress on Latin America, Chair; Peter Kornbluh, National Security Archive/George Washington University; Fred Moehn, Stony Brook University; and Blanche Petrich, La Jornada, México.

LASA/Oxfam America Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship

Deadline for nomination: November 1, 2008

The Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship is offered at each LASA International Congress to an outstanding individual who combines Professor Diskin's commitment to both activism and scholarship.

This distinguished lectureship is made possible largely by a generous contribution from Oxfam America, an organization committed to grassroots work-and one with which Martin Diskin was closely associated. Past Oxfam America Martin Diskin Lecturers were Ricardo Falla, S.J. (1998); Gonzalo Sánchez Gómez, (2000); Elizabeth Lira Kornfeld (2001); Rodolfo Stavenhagen and Rosalva Aída Hernández Castillo (2003); Jonathan Fox (2004); William Leogrande (2006); Orlando Fals Borda (2007).

Nominations, including self-nominations, are welcome. A nomination should include a statement justifying the nomination, the complete mailing address of the nominee, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address. To nominate a candidate, send these materials no later than November 1, 2008, to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas at the LASA Secretariat, 416 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. E-mail: lasa@pitt.edu.

Members of the 2009 Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship Committee are Kimberly Theidon, Harvard University, chair; Jonathan Fox, University California, Santa Cruz; Brinton Lykes, Boston College; Seemin Qayum, Independent Scholar, and Margarita López Maya, Universidad Central de Venezuela.