

CALLING ALL MEMBERS

Nominations Invited

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Deadline: September 15, 2015

LASA members are invited to suggest nominees for vice president and three members of the Executive Council, for terms beginning June 1, 2016. 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 September 15, 2015 to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas (milagros@pitt.edu).

The winning candidate for vice president will serve in that capacity until May 31, 2017, as president from June 1, 2017, to May 31, 2018, and then as past president for an additional year. Executive Council members will serve a two-year term from June 1, 2016, to May 31, 2018.

Members of the Nominations Committee are: Ramona Perez (chair), San Diego State University; Aníbal González, Yale University; Jurgen Buchenau, University of North Carolina, Charlotte; Rudi Colloredo-Mansfeld, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Maria Herminia Tavares de Almeida, CEBRAP/University of São Paulo; Eva Paus, Mount Holyoke College; and Chuck Walker, University of California, Davis, who will serve as the liaison with the LASA Executive Council.

Kalman Silvert Award Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

The Kalman Silvert Award Committee invites nominations of candidates for the year 2016 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 at each LASA International Congress.

Past recipients of the award are: 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); Helen Safa (2007); Alfred Stepan (2009); and Edelberto Torres-Rivas (2010); Julio Cotler (2012); Peter Smith (2013); Tulio Halperin-Donghi (2014); and Manuel Antonio Garretón (2015).

Nominations should be sent to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas (milagros@pitt.edu) by October 15, 2015. Please include biographic information and a rationale for each nomination.

Members of the committee are: Debra Castillo (chair), LASA immediate past president; Merilee S. Grindle and Evelyne Huber, past presidents; Philip Oxhorn, editor of the *Latin American Research Review*; and Manuel Antonio Garretón, 2015 Kalman Silvert awardee.

Bryce Wood Book Award Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

At each International Congress, the Latin American Studies Association presents the Bryce Wood Book Award to the outstanding book on Latin America in the social sciences and humanities published in English. Eligible books for the LASA2016 International Congress will be those published between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2015. Although no book may compete more than once, translations may be considered. Anthologies of selections by several authors or reeditions 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. LASA membership is not a requirement to receive the award. 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 and to the LASA Secretariat, at the expense of at the expense of those submitting the books. A nomination packet should include a copy of the nominated book and the nominee's complete mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address.

All books nominated must reach each member of the Award Committee by October 15, 2015. By March 1, 2016, the committee will select a winning book. It may also name an honorable mention. The award will be announced at the LASA2016 Awards Ceremony, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

Members of the 2016 committee are:

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Premio Iberoamericano Book Award Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

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 2016 award must have been published between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2015. No book may compete more than once. Normally not in contention for the award are anthologies of selections by several authors or reprints or reeditions 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. LASA membership is not a requirement for receiving the award. 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 and to the LASA Secretariat, at the expense of at the expense of those submitting the books. A nomination packet should include a copy of the nominated book and the nominee's complete mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address.

All books must reach each member of the committee by October 15, 2015. The award will be announced at the LASA2016 awards ceremony, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

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LASA Media Award Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

The Latin American Studies Association is pleased to announce its competition for the year 2016 LASA Media Awards for outstanding media coverage of Latin America. These awards are made every year 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 LASA2016 awards ceremony, 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: Mauricio Weibel, Unión Sudamericana de Corresponsales (2015), Raúl Peñaranda, Página Siete (2014), Marcela Turati, De a Pie (2013), José Vales, El Universal de Mexico (2012); Carlos Dada, *El Faro* (2010); Mario Osava, América Latina Inter Press Service (2009); Hollman Morris, Colombia (2007); Maria Ester Gilio (2006); Julio Scherer, journalist, Mexico (2004); Eduardo Anguita, freelance journalist, Buenos Aires (2003); Guillermo González Uribe of *Número*, Bogotá (2001); Patricia Verdugo Aguirre of Conama, Chile, and *Diario 16*, Spain (2000); Gustavo Gorriti of *Caretas*, Lima, Peru (1998).

To make a nomination, please send one copy of the journalist's electronic portfolio of recent relevant work, complete mailing address of the nominee, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas (milagros@pitt.edu) by October 15, 2015.

Members of the Media Award committee are: June Erlick (chair), Harvard University; Carlos Dada, *El Faro*; Peter Winn, Tufts University; Maria Teresa Ronderos, *Semana.com*; and Tracy Wilkinson, *LA Times*–Mexico DF Desk.

**LASA/Oxfam America Martin Diskin
Memorial Lectureship
Call for Nominations**

Deadline: October 15, 2015

The Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship is offered at each LASA International Congress to an outstanding individual who embodies 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 lecturers were Ricardo Falla, S.J. (1998); Gonzalo Sánchez Gómez, Universidad Nacional de Colombia (2000); Elizabeth Lira Kornfeld, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Santiago, Chile (2001); Rodolfo Stavenhagen, El Colegio de México, and Rosalva Aída Hernández Castillo, CIESAS, Mexico City (2003); Jonathan Fox, University of California/Santa Cruz (2004); William LeoGrande, American University (2006); Orlando Fals Borda (2007); Terry Karl, Stanford University (2009); Carlos Ivan Degregori, Instituto de Estudios Peruanos (2010); Claudia Paz y Paz Bailey (2012); Stefano Varese, University of California, Davis (2013); Alberto Olvera, Universidad Veracruzana (2014); Silvia Rivera Cusicanqui, Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, and Lynn Stephen, University of Oregon (2015).

Nominations, including self-nominations, are welcome. A nomination should include a substantive nomination letter by a current LASA member, a current CV of the nominee, and the nominee's complete mailing address, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail address. To nominate a candidate, send these materials no later than October 15, 2015, to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas (milagros@pitt.edu). The award will be announced at the LASA2016 Awards Ceremony, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

Members of the 2016 Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship Committee are: Sonia Alvarez, University of Massachusetts, Amherst; Charles Hale, University of Texas, Austin; Lynn Stephen, University of Oregon; and Susan Eckstein, Oxfam America.

**LASA/Oxfam America Martin Diskin
Dissertation Award
Call for Nominations**

Deadline: October 15, 2015

The Martin Diskin Dissertation Award is made possible through the generosity of Oxfam America, LASA, and LASA members. This award is offered at each LASA International Congress to an outstanding junior scholar who embodies Professor Diskin's commitment to the creative combination of activism and scholarship. The award will be presented to an advanced doctoral student or recent PhD. All advanced PhD candidates must demonstrate that they will complete their dissertation prior to the LASA International Congress. LASA limits recent PhD recipients to those individuals who received their degrees after the LASA Congress prior to the one at which the award is to be received. LASA welcomes dissertations written in English, Spanish, or Portuguese.

The Award Committee will evaluate using three criteria: (1) overall scholarly credentials, based upon the candidate's CV; (2) the quality of the dissertation writing, research, and analysis as determined by the dissertation outline and sample chapter submitted; and (3) the primary advisor's letter of recommendation. The definition of activist scholarship shall remain broad and pluralist, to be discussed and interpreted by each selection committee.

Applicants should submit a current curriculum vitae; a dissertation abstract of 250 words; the dissertation outline or table of contents; one sample chapter, which exemplifies the author's approach to activist scholarship; and a letter of recommendation from the candidate's primary advisor which focuses explicitly on

the candidate's qualifications for the Martin Diskin Dissertation Award.

All application materials must be submitted electronically no later than October 15, 2015, to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas (milagros@pitt.edu). The Martin Diskin Dissertation Award recipient will receive a \$1,000 stipend. We encourage you to distribute this call for nominations as widely as possible with particular attention to circulating it among your colleagues and students. The award will be announced at the LASA2016 Awards Ceremony, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

The 2016 selection committee consists of: Sonia Alvarez, University of Massachusetts, Amherst; Charles Hale, University of Texas, Austin; Lynn Stephen, University of Oregon; and Susan Eckstein, OXFAM America.

Charles A. Hale Fellowship for Mexican History Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

This fellowship rewards excellence in historical research on Mexico at the dissertation level. It is awarded every year to a Mexican graduate student in the final phase of his or her doctoral research in Mexican history, broadly defined. Selection will be based on scholarly merit and on the candidate's potential contribution to the advancement of humanist understanding between Mexico and its global neighbors.

A qualified applicant must hold Mexican citizenship and be in the final phase of her/his doctoral program, that is, finished with coursework and exams but not yet granted the PhD. Applications must be accompanied by (1) verification by the dissertation committee chair of the student's good standing in the doctoral program; (2) one-page (single-spaced) statement that summarizes the dissertation project, in either English or Spanish; (3) brief (two pages maximum) curriculum vitae.

To nominate a candidate, send these materials no later than October 15, 2015, to Milagros Pereyra-Rojas, LASA Executive Director (milagros@pitt.edu). The award will be announced at the LASA2016 Awards Ceremony, and the awardee will be publicly honored.

Members of the 2016 selection committee are: William Beezley, University of Arizona; Daniela Spenser, CIESAS; and Romana Falcón, El Colegio de México.

Luciano Tomassini Latin American International Relations Book Award Call for Nominations

Deadline: October 15, 2015

The Latin American Studies Association offers the Luciano Tomassini Latin American International Relations Book Award to the author(s) of an outstanding book on Latin American Foreign Policies and International Relations published in English, Spanish, or Portuguese in any country. Eligible books for the 2016 award must have been published between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2015. Anthologies of selections by several authors are not eligible. Books will be judged on the originality of the research, the quality of the analysis and writing, and the significance of their contribution to the study of Latin America and the Caribbean. LASA membership is not a requirement for receiving the award. Books may be nominated by authors, LASA members, or publishers.

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