

mid-1960s and between Latin America and New York City.

We hope this succinct account piques your curiosity about the extraordinary array of activities that will take place in New York City as LASA celebrates its 50th anniversary. As we close this message, we want to thank Gil Joseph once more for having trusted us with the responsibility

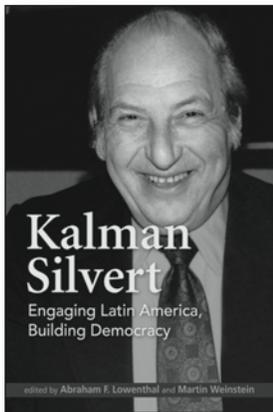
to put together a truly historical Congress. Our goal, from the planning phase to the final touches on the program, has been to craft a Congress advancing a bold intellectual agenda that puts emphasis on critical discussions of the state of our field, amplifies the conversation to other areas of inquiry, and builds on previous LASA initiatives that bring new value to important debates shaping Latin American

studies. We are delighted with the program for LASA2016 and the many surrounding activities. It has been an extraordinary experience to embark on this unique venture. What a ride!

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