# 2017 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

# LATINO MUSEUM STUDIES PROGRAM

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# SMITHSONIAN LATINO CENTER

The Smithsonian Latino Center was created in 1997 to enable and promote Latino presence within the Smithsonian. Twenty years later, the Center continues with its core mission, collaborating with the institution's museums and research centers to ensure that the contributions of the Latino community in the arts, history, national culture and scientific achievement are explored, presented, celebrated and preserved. We support research, exhibitions, public and educational programs, web-based content and virtual platforms, collections and archives, and publications. We also manage leadership and professional development programs for Latino youth, emerging scholars and museum professionals.







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*Maíz Flor Serpiente/Flower Maize Serpent* commissioned digital art work by the Indigenous Design Collection, 2015.

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#### Program:

The Latino Museum Studies Program (LMSP) is dedicated to fostering the development of emerging scholars and museum professionals in the fields of Latino history, art and culture.

Created in 1994, the program focuses on developing museum practice within a framework of Latino cultural studies and is offered as a dual component experience: a two-week seminar, and a four-week practicum.

#### <u>Goals:</u>

- Promotion and accessibility of Smithsonian Latino collections and resources.
- Contributions to current research and program development at the Smithsonian.
- Highlight Smithsonian museum practices and methodologies
- Expansion of the number of Latino/a emerging scholars in the museum field.
- Develop new ways of thinking and broaden the understanding of fundamental museum issues.
- Create a network among participants, Smithsonian staff, guest faculty and program alumni.

This program received federal support from the Latino Initiatives Pool, administered by the Smithsonian Latino Center



### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE

**Practicum** Research on Black and Latino Designers

> **Lead** Dr. Michelle Joan Wilkinson

> > **Fellow** Maeve Coudrelle Temple University



### ARCHIVES OF AMERICAN ART

#### **Practicum**

Research and Development of Collection Plan for a target area of the United States

#### Lead

Dr. Josh T. Franco

#### **Fellow**

Pau Nava University of Michigan











### SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION TRAVELING EXHIBITION SERVICES

#### **Practicum**

Traveling Exhibition Development Dolores Huerta: Revolution in the Fields

> Lead María del Carmen Cossu

#### **Fellow**

Christina Azahar University of California - Berkeley



## NATIONAL MUSUEM OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN CULTURAL RESOURCES CENTER

#### **Practicum**

Contextualizing Museum Archaeological Collections: The Case of Pre-Columbian Mirrors

> Lead Dr. María Martínez & Dr. Antonio Curet

#### **Fellow**

Jonathan Cortez Brown University



### NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

<u>Practicum</u> Piercing Together Latinx Art and History in the 19th Century

> Lead Dr. Taína Caragol & Dr. Leslie Ureña

**Fellow** Mayela Caro University of California - Riverside



## SMITHSONIAN LATINO CENTER

**Practicum** Latinos in the 21st Century: A Digital Experience for All

> Lead Melissa Carrillo

**Fellow** Ismael Illescas University of California -Santa Cruz



Practicum Latino DC History Project: Interpreting Central American Women's Work

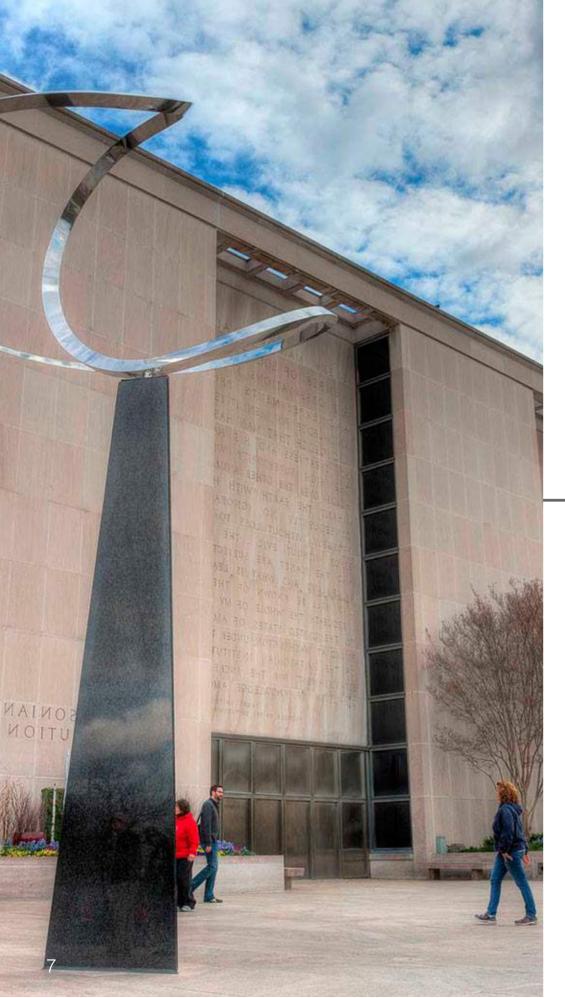
> <u>Lead</u> Ranald Woodaman

**Fellow** Stephanie Huezo Indiana University









### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN HISTORY

<u>Practicum</u> Documenting Spanish Language Television through Archives

> Lead Alison Oswald

**Fellow** Daniela Jiménez University of California - Los Angeles



Practicum Latinos and Baseball: In the Barrios and the Big Leagues

Lead Dr. Margaret Salazar-Porzio

**Fellow** Rudy Mondragón University of California - Los Angeles



Practicum Health Modalities and History in Latinx Communities

> Lead Dr. Katherine Ott

Fellow Shakti Castro University of Massachusetts-Amherst



**Practicum** Documenting and Collecting Spanish-language Television

Lead Dr. Mireya Loza & Dr. Kathleen Franz

<u>Fellows</u> Verónica Méndez University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Carlos Parra University of Southern California





Unit Practicum Lead Fellow



# PROGRAM SEMINAR HIGHLIGHTS

The seminar enhances leadership, research and creative skills through a series of panel discussions, hands-on workshops, and behind-the-scenes tours of Smithsonian museums and collections. See highlight below for presentations of this summer.

- Ethnography Lab Day at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival.
- Representing Bracero History in the Archives & Exhibitions with LMSP alumna and Curator of Latino Political History at the National Museum of American History, Dr. Mireya Loza.
- Tours of the Lunder Conservation Center, Smithsonian Exhibits, Archives of American Art, NMAH Archive Center, Library of Congress, Latino Collections at the National Portrait Gallery, National Museum of American History and National Museum of American Art.
- Smithsonian Latino Gallery: Responses to Absence and Reflections on Audiences with LMSP alum and Smithsonian Latino Center Exhibitions & Public Programs Director, Ranald Woodaman.

- Diaspora and Latino Studies at the National Museum of African American History and Culture with Curator Ariana Curtis.
- Re-envisioning the National Park Service Experience with LMSP alumna Katherine B. Faz, Branch Chief of Interpretation and Visitor Services and Public Information Officer, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve.
- The Role of Immersive Journalism in the Museum with Nonny de la Peña, Founder, Emblematic Group.
- The Latino Table/Foodways VR Experience with Roch Nakajima, Vice President of International Marketing & Business Development, Noitom Ltd.

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# **Fellows Blogging and Instagram Takeover Series**

To better understand the experiences of the fellows, the LMSP sessions used the Center's social media channels to bring awareness of the program and the fellows' experience to the general public.

LMSP's own Instagram account focused on daily activities, and following the start of the practicums, hosted a fellow Instagram takeover (an individual publishes photos throughout their day to share their perspective). At the conclusion of the day, a blog post was shared with more information.

http://smithsonianlvm.tumblr.com/tagged/lmsp2017

https://www.instagram.com/smithsonian\_lmsp/



