9-10 Breakfast and Opening Remarks

10-11:15: Different Diasporas
Monika Gosin (Duke U Postdoctoral Fellow, Ethnic Studies)
"'Una Risa Amarga': Afro-Cubans in the U.S. and Reflections on Citizenship and Belonging"
Teishan Latner (UCI, History)
"Tell the Captain We Are Going to Havana: American Hijackers and the Allure of Cuba, 1968-1973"

Respondents: Nancy Mirabal (SF State), Anita Casavantes Bradford (UCSD)

11:25-12:40: The Politics of Place: Afro-Cuban Song in Cuba and Mexico
Jacqueline Avila (UCR, Music)
"Cinesonidos: Cuban Music in Mexican National Cinema"
Rebecca Bodenheimer (UCB, Ethnomusicology)
"Localizing Hybridity: Rumba Innovations and the Politics of Place"

Respondents: Nancy Burke (UCSF faculty), Alissa Bernstein (UCB)

12:40-1:45 Lunch

1:45-3:15 Breakout Group 1: Grad Student Discussion

3:25-4:40 Exporting Revolution
James Shrader (UCSD, History)
"Imagining Argentina's Sierra Maestra: The Role of Cuba in the Struggle for Tucumán, 1959-1976"
Vandana Nagaraj (UCD, Anthropology)
"Present-day Cuban Sri-Lankan Cultural and Political Exchange"

Respondents: Laura Enriquez (UCB faculty), Gabriela Santizo (UCSD)
9-10:15 Revolutionary and Counter-Revolutionary Narrative
Lindsay Puente (UCI, Comp. Lit.)
"National Heroes: The Cimarrón in Caribbean Culture"
Dana Marie Linda (UCLA, Comp. Lit.)
"The Writing on the Wall: Exilic Points of Connection in Ana Rodriguez’s Prison Memoir"

Respondents: Emilio Bejel (UCI faculty), Selene Zander (UCB)

10:25-11:40 Cuba: Land of Frankincense
Seth Kauppinen (UCB, Integrative Biology)
"Caribbean Hopscotch: What Cuba Tells US About Plant Migrations and the Assembly of Neotropical Floras"
Collin Closek (UC Merced, Natural Sciences)
"Outbreak in the Caribbean: How do Cuban Reefs Differ?"

Respondents: Ken Janda (UCI faculty), Ayesha Nibbe (UCD)

11:40-12:45 Lunch

12:45-2:15 Breakout Groups: Research in Cuba

2:25-3:40 Imagining Cuba
Camilo Jaramillo (UCB, Spanish)
"Paradise in 'La última noche que pasé contigo' by Mayra Montero"
Jorge Luis Morejón (UCD, Theatre and Dance)
“Cuban-American Nationhood: The Performance of Exilic Rituals”

Respondents: Ivette Hernandez-Torres (UCI faculty), Jonathan Dettman (UCD)

3:40-4:00 Closing Remarks / Feedback / Discussion