Call for nominations – Latin American Landscapes Speaker Series

This is an invitation to all co-applicants of the Latin American Landscapes cluster and all student members of the 2022-23 PhD Seminar to submit nominations for visiting speakers for the 2023-24 academic year.

Deadline to nominate: July 15, 2023.

Nomination procedure: Send a PDF document as an e-mail to the PI of Latin American Landscapes, Dr. Benjamin Bryce (ben.bryce@ubc.ca) by July 15, 2023 at 16:00 PST. The e-mail should outline the rationale of the invitation, a brief budget, a brief statement about how EDI was considered.

Money available per speaker: a maximum of $2,500 per speaker and a wish for some talks to cost under $1800. The Latin American Landscapes cluster anticipates 6 speakers in 2023-24.

- Specific caps on spending:
  - travel is to be in economy class
  - no honoraria paid by the cluster grant (honoraria could be offered through another source)

Speakers’ presentation topics need to be in line with the themes of the Latin American Landscapes cluster (environment, colonialism, Indigenous peoples, extractivism).

Speakers based in Latin America are warmly encouraged.

The language of the presentation can be in English, Spanish, or Portuguese. Nominations for presentations in Spanish and Portuguese should flag that in their proposal.

Proposals for Zoom presentations or roundtables (and no costs) shall also be considered.

A nominator shall serve as the host for the speaker. Neither the Latin American Studies program nor the PI of the cluster will offer support beyond reimbursing expenses and promoting the event through the LAS program.

Any invitation to give a public, in-person research presentation will be accompanied by an expectation that the speaker will participate in the 2023-24 PhD research seminar where a PhD student presents a brief chapter of their dissertation. Proposals that seek to integrate the speaker in a UBC class will also be warmly welcomed (in lieu of the PhD seminar).
The talks should be held in the department or unit of the nominator. Nominators are encouraged to integrate the talk in their department's speaker series or research colloquium so as to expose the entire department to research on Latin America.

This speaker series aims to be interdisciplinary, and a maximum of two speakers from the same discipline will be invited in 2023-24. There will be a preference of one speaker per discipline.

Any nominator shall submit only one nomination per year. A new call for Year 2 will be distributed in 2024.