

BILDNER CENTER SYMPOSIUM

CUBA TODAY



CONTINUITY AND CHANGE SINCE THE 'PERIODO ESPECIAL' OCTOBER 4-5, 2004

Changing Perceptions, Emergent Perspectives

Reform and Structural Change

Literature of the Special Period and Current Trends

Economic Dilemmas

Echoes, Mirrors and Mazes

Society in Flux

Resurging Ethnic Identities

Theatre, Literature and Film

Cuba in a Changing World

Gender & Sexuality

Migration and the Cuban Diaspora

Religious Revival?

Agriculture

Tourism & Environment

This symposium explores contemporary Cuban reality since the early 1990s. The crisis of state socialism after 1989 challenged pre-existing policies, practices, and assumptions, providing incentives for innovation and reform. Many areas of social life are experiencing considerable change, while legacies of the revolution endure. Fifty papers by academics, students, policy makers, civil society leaders, and other specialists probe patterns of continuity and change in contemporary Cuba – economy, politics and policy, civil society, art and literature, race relations and national identity, culture, historical perspective, and Cuba's role in world affairs.

The Cuba Project is a collaborative effort to study changes in Cuban politics, economics, culture, and society. It focuses on developments in Cuba in an international context. The Cuba Project works with other academic and policy-oriented programs and institutions to promote dialogue between academics, policymakers, business and media figures, as well as students from various countries and disciplines.

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Pre-registration is required.

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