SPANISH PAINTING FROM 1500-1800:
AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH TO TEACHING
ART HISTORY

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"Academic instruction at all levels must make greater,
not less, use of original material in teaching." ¹

On Saturday, March 18, 1978, ten students, a friend and
I boarded Iberia Flight 951 for Madrid, Spain to study art
history "in situ." The eight-day field trip to Madrid, Toledo,
and Seville was part of a three-credit hour course in Spanish
painting offered by the College of Basic Studies at the
University of Hartford. The purpose of the course, entitled
Spanish Painting from 1500-1800, was to give students an
opportunity to come in contact with original works of art, to
experience directly a culture other than their own, and to
understand these works of art as products of this culture.

For the above reasons, the trip and the classroom
experience were irrevocably intertwined. The field trip pro-
vided on-site learning experiences within the framework of an
academic situation (slide lectures, assigned readings, indepen-
dent research projects). Each complimented the other. For
example, familiarity with Goya’s painting, "The Shooting of
May 3, 1808," originated within an academic situation (slide
or prints). The original, however, was much more vivid than
any slide or print. The drama seemed real and the learning
experience felt complete. Consequently all students who
registered for the course went on the field trip, and no
students participated in the trip without the full responsi-
bilities of the academic portion of the course.

The College of Basic Studies is a two-year program at the
University of Hartford, leading to an A.A. degree. The
students are freshman and sophomores from upper middle
class families. Most of these students had had some significant
travel experience prior to their entrance into this program.

Spanish Painting from 1500-1800 with a required field
trip to Spain was introduced into the Basic Studies curriculum
as a special topics course.² Prerequisites were Art 110 (the
introductory course in art history) or permission of the
instructor. In the early fall, a letter explaining the course was
sent to all parents of eligible students, along with a field trip
itinerary and a student course outline. The estimated cost of
the trip was five-hundred dollars.³ This figure did not include

¹ Sherman E. Lee, "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of . . . . . What?",

² After three successful years under a special topics number, this
course will be processed and become part of the regular course
offerings at the College of Basic Studies. At that time, it will receive
an ARB number (Art History/Basic Studies). In both cases, the
course has a catalogue listing and description.

³ The final cost was $508.00.

tuition. A one-hundred dollar deposit was required of each
student prior to Thanksgiving vacation.

After registration, a second letter was sent to all parents
of students registered for the course explaining travel insur-
ance policies, mentioning drug laws in Spain, and reinforcing
the fact that their child was considered to be, in all instances, a
mature, young adult. This letter clarified the University’s
position regarding student behavior on the field trip. In short,
the University was responsible only for the academic portion
of the course (in the classroom or in the field).

Each student then received a general information sheet
(travel insurance, drug laws, advice regarding packing, money
needs, etc.) and a passport application. Payment in full for the
trip was due the first day of classes, spring semester.

The class met twice a week during the semester and
covered pertinent aspects of Spanish history, Spanish
culture and specific artists working in Spain in the 1500-1800 time
period. Prior to the trip each student worked to focus on an
independent research project that would coordinate outside
readings and class lectures with the actuality of the field trip.
Some projects fell into place more easily than others. Each
student project needed to be carefully blocked out before the
trip so specific recommendations could be made as to the
location of original works relating to each project.

Two weeks before the trip, each student received his
ticket, a city map of Madrid, Toledo, and Seville, as well as a
floor plan of the Prado Museum and a list of necessary Spanish
words and phrases. None of the students spoke Spanish. Paint-
ings by major Spanish artists and Bosch, Raphael, Rubens, and
Titian were pinpointed on the floor plan of the Prado Mu-
seum. Our hotel was within walking distance so that each
student could visit this outstanding museum on an individual
basis. It was beneficial to be centrally located so that most of
the major art monuments were also within walking distance.

After the field trip, the next six class meetings were used
for conferences with the students to review their experiences
on the trip and to finalize their research projects. Their job was
to gather all they had learned from class lectures, outside
readings, and the field trip to Spain with regard to a specific
topic and present it to me in written form (often with pictorial
references).

In using a long term independent project as the major
academic assignment in the course, a maturity on the part of
the students was assumed that simply did not exist. Freshmen
and sophomore students at the College of Basic Studies need
more assignments of a varied nature. An independent research
project is recommended for upperclassmen, art history majors,
and graduate students in conjunction with field experience.
The same course will be offered again this year with a field trip
to Madrid, Toledo, and Barcelona. Modifications will be made
in the nature and frequency of academic assignments.

The travel feature of the course was immensely success-
ful. It pulled everything together and made the academic
portion of the course come alive. It created a keener
appreciation of the art works, a real feeling for viewing
originals, and an increased understanding of Spanish culture.
As human beings, ten diverse individuals blended into a considerate, sensitive family group for eight days. They were good traveling companions.

Integrating travel experience with academic content can be implemented on a small or large scale in almost any art historical situation. It appeals to all types of students and can be adapted easily to specific programs. However, it is necessary in organizing a travel course to make long-range plans of a fairly specific nature, to choose carefully a travel agent, and to have full administrative support and cooperation.

### U.S. UNIVERSITIES AND LATIN AMERICAN ART HISTORY

**Elizabeth Hill Boone**  
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In the second issue of this Review, Joyce Bailey presented some very interesting insights into the history in the U.S. of the study of Latin American art, particularly regarding the growth of the field during a period when little recognition was accorded it by the College Art Association. Her article might be considered the first in a recent series of evaluations on the development of the history of Latin American art, for it seems we are now becoming introspective in a healthy way and examining the roots and nature of our field.

An important new essay by Pál Kelemen, *Stepchild of the Humanities. Art of the Americas, as Observed in Five Decades*, falls also along this line. In it, Kelemen answers for himself a question implied in Bailey’s article: Why has research in Latin American art seemed to have dried up in the last 30 years? Kelemen’s is a personal and very revealing discussion, coming from one whose first venture into the study of Latin American art came in the early 1930’s, when the field still did not exist.

A paper presented by Cecelia Klein at the 1979 Latin American Studies Association meeting also addresses our need to understand our disciplinary past, but focuses more precisely on Pre-Columbian art history.

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### U.S. Universities Awarding Degrees in Latin American Art History

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These essays, talks with Kelemen and Klein, and the act of compiling the Directory of Historians of Latin American Art have raised questions in my mind concerning the commitment U.S. universities have had to our field. Specifically: What universities in the U.S. have awarded doctorates in Latin American art history? To whom, when, and in what areas?

The chart presented here is a preliminary answer. Data in it come primarily from the Directory, and although it may be incomplete, the chart itself is useful in giving a general picture of the academic sources for the field. Some patterns seem to emerge.

A glance indicates that graduate activity has been particularly strong in the Northeast, with the University of New Mexico the only comparable center in the Southwest.

From 1940 to 1960, Yale and Harvard appear to be the only institutions granting doctorates in Latin American art history: to Kubler in 1940, Baird in 1951, and Robertson in 1956. With the 1960's, the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia joined Yale and Harvard in awarding six PhD's, and New York University produced two MA's. Thus, between 1940 and 1969, only a few U.S. institutions produced the scholars who now enjoy a long standing in our field. Of course, other art historians like Jacinto Quirarte went outside the U.S. for their training and degrees, and still others specialized then in non-Latin American materials. But it seems incredible to me that in the 30 years before 1970, only four U.S. universities awarded some nine doctorates in our field; our field is so surprisingly young! It is no wonder the broad community of art historians has traditionally accorded little recognition to Latin American specialists.

The situation changed dramatically with 1970, however. In this present decade alone, 24 historians of Latin American art have received "terminal degrees" from U.S. institutions, and 23 others have all but completed their dissertations. This is truly a spectacular increase.

The increase comes not only in the number of graduates and candidates, but also in the number of schools giving Latin American degrees. In the 1950's and 60's, the four universities with Latin American programs were clustered in the Northeast. With the early 70's, this clustering held only slightly. Columbia, Harvard, Pennsylvania, and Yale continued to train scholars, but Maryland, New Mexico, and Tulane also produced PhD's. The spread westward has continued, and what may appear as an Eastern domination of the field before 1975, has since been challenged by universities in the Southwest. Columbia, which has been prolific in graduating scholars in the 70's, and Yale, which currently has many students in the final stages of completion, can now look to New Mexico as another center of great activity. Harvard seems to have dropped out of the picture altogether.

One might forecast that relatively more young doctorates will be coming from schools in the Southwest, where cultural ties with Latin America are strongest and where Spanish is the second language. This will depend, however, on New Mexico continuing with its strong program and on the relatively new programs being developed at UCLA and Texas, all institutions normally associated with Latin American studies.

**RCA NEWS**

**DIRECTORY OF HISTORIANS OF LATIN AMERICAN ART**

For those of you who slipped through the reaches of our mailing list, the long promised Directory of Historians of Latin American Art is out. The Directory, seen as a guide to art historians who work with Latin American materials and to graduate degree programs in Latin American art, contains information on over 200 art historians and twenty-four university art departments. The name, address, and institutional affiliation of each art historian are listed with his areas of specialization, current research, publications, and professional background. For the degree programs, the Directory includes information on the resident and affiliated art historians of Latin American art and scholars in related fields (such as anthropology and history), the names and interests of the graduate students, and an assessment of library holdings and financial assistance. An index to the art historians, by area of interest, helps one locate easily scholars with a given specialty.

Shortly after the data for the Directory were compiled and sent to press, it became apparent that some information was already in need of revision. Fortunately our field is not so static that a single guide will remain forever accurate, but more people moved, changed positions, or graduated than was anticipated. An addenda and errata supplement will therefore be issued in late summer or early fall to all who purchase the Directory to make it as current as possible for the 1979-80 academic year. Additional art historians, on whom we earlier had little information, will also be included.

The Directory is available now from the RCA for $5.00 U.S. currency. After you have reviewed your copy, please notify us of any changes that should be made and send us the names and addresses of other art historians or departments who should be covered.

**MEETINGS/EXHIBITIONS**

**SIXTEENTH CENTURY VESPERS MUSIC**

A vespers service as it was celebrated around the end of the sixteenth century especially in Colonial Latin America was held on March 30 at St. David's church in Austin, Texas. The music for the service had been reconstructed by Robert Snow (music, U. Texas-Austin) from original sources preserved in cathedral archives in Spain and Central and South America. The University of Texas-Austin Chamber Singers performed the service, accompanied by instrumentalists on the organ, cornetti, alto cornetto, and tenor sackbut.

It is hoped that the special service will become an annual event and can be recorded and videotaped for distribution. Dr. Robert Snow can be contacted at the Department of Music, The University of Texas at Austin, TX 78712, for more information on the service and his plans for future performances.

**INDIAN ARTS OF THE AMERICAS**

The Arts Study Collections program of the University of Illinois Chicago Campuses sponsored an exhibition this spring titled INDIAN ART OF THE AMERICAS: THE LOPEZ-MAJANO COLLECTION. The collection is on loan from Dr. Vincent Lopez-Majano, Chairman of Nuclear Medicine at Chicago's Cook County Hospital, and was displayed from April 30 through June 15.

In preparation for the exhibition, an introductory course, "Indian Arts of the Americas," was taught by Virginia Miller (art history) at the Chicago Circle campus, in which the students did original research on objects from the collection. The catalogue accompanying the show is largely the result of these student efforts to identify and date the pieces. Copies of this catalogue are available from the Curator, Arts Study Collections, 1900 University Hall, UICC Box 4348, Chicago, IL 60680.

**HUICHOL ART**

THE ART OF BEING HUICHOL, a major traveling exhibition of more than 150 objects of Huichol Indian art, opened May 5 at the Field Museum in Chicago and will
NEW AZTEC DISCOVERIES

On May 12 the University of California at Los Angeles held a program on the recent archaeological discoveries pertaining to the Aztecs. The session was conducted by Augusto Molina of Mexico's Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia and H. B. Nicholson (anthropology) of UCLA. It focused on the important new finds in the excavation of the Templo Mayor in Mexico City and especially on the finding of the monumental Coyolxauhqui piece. Write the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024, for details.

AZTEC WRITING

Chicago State University held a lecture series this spring on THE SOPHISTICATION OF AZTEC PHONETIC WRITING: NEW INSIGHTS, Joaquin Galarza (ethnography) of the Musee de l'Hemans, Paris, presented four illustrated lectures as follows:

May 23 - The Evolution of Aztec Picture Writing
May 24 - A Comparison of Aztec Codices and Maps
May 31 - The Spanish Conquest Viewed Through Aztec Documents
June 1 - Pre and Post Conquest Aztec Writing

The lectures were free and open to the public. Dr. Victor Sorell, Coordinator of the Hispanic American Cultural Enrichment Programs, of which the series is a part, can be reached for more information at: HACEP, Chicago State University, Ninety-Fifth Street at King Drive, Chicago, IL 60628.

IV CONGRESO PERUANO

The IV CONGRESO PERUANO DEL HOMBRE Y LA CULTURE ANDINA was held recently in Cusco, on June 3-9. Although we never did receive complete information on the Congreso, you might have better luck in obtaining definite information on the symposia and paper topics. The chairman of the organizing committee, Zenon Guzman Pinto, can be reached at Casilla 664, Cusco, Peru.

RAFEAL CALZADA AND TITERES

The Promocion de las Artes, A.C., of Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has announced two exhibitions this summer, PINTURA RECIENTE DE RAFAEL CALZADA and an exhibition of TITERES DE ROSETE ARANDA, both of which opened on June 4.

LUIS BARRAGAN

The Mexican Museum, San Francisco, announced the June 28 opening of an exhibition of the ARCHITECTURAL WORKS OF LUIS BARRAGAN. The show is a photographic survey of one of Mexico's leading architects and originated with an exhibition presented earlier this year for the "Mexico Today Symposium." Special material from the Collection of Sra. Adriana Williams has been added for the San Francisco show, however. For more information, write or call the Mexican Museum at 1855 Folson, San Francisco, CA, 415/621-1224.

MODERN MEXICAN ART

The McNay Art Institute in San Antonio is currently exhibiting MEXICAN ART: SELECTIONS FROM THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART. The show, beginning a national tour, is comprised of more than 80 paintings, drawings, and prints.

XLIII ICA

The XLIII INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICANISTS will be held this August 11-17 in Vancouver. The University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University are local sponsors. It seems that each ICA is larger and more overpowering than the last, and this meeting appears to be no exception. There is an incredible range of symposia and general sessions planned, most concerning the humanities. Those of potential interest to art historians or musicologists comprise a quite extensive list, as follows:

SYMPOSIUMS

Highland/Lowland Andean Interaction Spheres
Andean Myths and Religion
Interregional Relationships in the Prehispanic Andean World
Aymara Indians of the Chuqica Basin
Moche Iconography
West Indian Ethnohistory
Mesoamerican Ethnohistory
New Directions in Mesoamerican Archaeology
Toltecs and Toltecs
Problems in the Iconography of Postclassic Mesoamerican Art
The German Pueblo-Tlaxcalan Project
Interdisciplinary Approaches to Maya Studies
The Cuello and Corozal Projects, Northern Belize
Lamani, Belize: A Major Lowland Maya Postclassic Centre
Space and Time in the Cosm:onic of Mesoamerica
The Contact Period in Mesoamerica
Pre-Columbian Architecture and Urban Planning
Masks and Masquerade in the Americas
American Indian Rock Art
Heritage of Conquest
History of Ideas in the Americas
Metaphors and Meanings in the Americas
North American Indian Basketry as a Fine Art

GENERAL SESSIONS

Archaeology
Ethnohistory/History
Art
Pre-Columbian Intellectual Culture

In addition to these scholarly sessions, several tours and a host of social events have been organized. Four museums are also sponsoring exhibitions in conjunction with the meeting, as follows:

Northwest Coast Cultures - Museum of Anthropology,
University of British Columbia
Repatriated Canadian Indian Artifacts - Museum of
Archaeology and Ethnology, Simon Fraser University
Inuit Graphics - Simon Fraser Art Gallery
Degikup: Washoe Basketry from 1295 to 1935 -
University of British Columbia Art Gallery.

The Congress itself will be held on the U. British Columbia campus, where dormitory housing is available. Pre-registration closed June 1, but fees for regular registration are $90 US and include the volume of paper abstracts and the published proceedings. Student registration is $30 US.
dinator for the ICA are Alfred H. Siemens (geography, U. British Columbia) and Marilyn Gates (sociology and anthropology, Simon Fraser U.), but registration information should be obtained by writing: XLIII International Congress of Americanists, c/o Venue West Ltd., No. 1704-1200 Alberni Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 1A6, Canada.

MEXICAN MESA REDONDA

On September 10-15 the 16th MESA REDONDA of the SOCIEDAD MEXICANA DE ANTROPOLOGIA will be held in Saltillo, Coahuila. The theme of this Mesa Redonda is "Routes of Exchange in Mesoamerica and Northern Mexico." Jaime Litvak King, Sociedad Mexicana de Antropologia, Apartado Postal 660, Mexico 1, DF, can provide details.

DUMBARTON OAKS

RITUAL SACRIFICE IN PRE-COLUMBIAN MESOAMERICA is the theme of this year's Dumbarton Oaks conference, held by the Center for Pre-Columbian Studies. Jacques Soustelle will chair the October meeting, which will include papers by Nigel Davies, Munro S. Edmonson, Eduardo Matos Moctezuma, Linda Schele, and S. Jeffrey W. Wilkerson. In keeping with the nature of the conference, attendance is by invitation only, but the proceedings are traditionally published and available from Dumbarton Oaks.

ETHNOMUSICOLOGY MEETING

The SOCIETY FOR ETHNOMUSICOLOGY will hold its 24th Annual Meeting in Montreal this year, on October 11-14. Those interested in attending can get more information by writing Timothy Rice, Faculty of Music, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada M5S 1A1.

NATIVE AMERICAN ART

The University of New Mexico will hold a major three-day symposium, NEW DIRECTIONS IN NATIVE AMERICAN ART, on October 24-26. Plans are being made for formal papers, panels, and sessions of open discussion. More information may be obtained from S. G. Keragy, Art Department, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131.

PERUVIAN TOUR

Chicago's Field Museum is offering a 20-day tour to Peru from October 27 through November 25, to include trips to Machu Picchu, Chan Chan, Pachacamac, Purgatorio, and other archaeological sites. The Plains of Nazca (viewed from low-flying aircraft), the Guano Islands, and the Pisac Indian Fair will also be visited. The group is limited to 20 and will be led by Michael Moseley (Field Associate Curator of Middle and South American archaeology and ethnology) and Robert Feldman (Assistant in archaeology). The cost of the tour is $2,998, but appears to include every conceivable expense after the group leaves Chicago (all meals, transportation, fees, taxes, tips, . . . ). An advance deposit of $250 is required. For more information and reservations contact Michael J. Flynn, Field Museum Tours, Roosevelt Rd. at Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60605 (312/922-9410).

SPAIN AND THE U.S.

The Center for Latin American Studies and the Center for Florida Studies at the University of Florida, Gainesville, are co-sponsoring a symposium, SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES: A PANORAMA OF RELATIONS, on December 3-7, 1979. Accompanying the symposium will be a film festival and a print exhibition by contemporary Spanish artists. Those interested in the symposium should write Dr. Terry McCoy, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611.

1980 SAA

The SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY has announced that its 1980 meeting will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in Philadelphia from April 30 to May 3. Suggestions for symposia are now being sought and are due by October 1. Completed symposium proposals and abstracts of contributed papers and research reports would then be due by October 31. The Program Chairperson is Ernestine Green, Federal Building, Recreation and Land Division, U.S. Forestry Service, Missoula, MT 59801.

MESA REDONDA DE PALENQUE

The CUARTO MESA REDONDA DE PALENQUE will be held next year on June 8-14, 1980, in Palenque, Chiapas. As usual, the Mesa Redonda is sponsored and organized by the Pre-Columbian Art Research Center, directed by Merle Greene Robertson. Further information on the meeting will be mailed out sometime this fall. If you are interested in attending, you should have your name placed on the mailing list by writing Lawrence W. Robertson, Apartado Postal 22, Palenque, Chiapas, Mexico.

1980 LASA MEETING

The ninth national meeting of the LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION will be held in October 1980 in Bloomington, Indiana. Proposals for panels, workshops, roundtables, and papers are now being accepted by the Program Committee. Some topics relating to musicology and art history have already been suggested:

- English Speaking Caribbean: Dance, Art, Literature, Social Structure
- Modern Latin American Art
- Latin American Modern Art: Availability of Courses for Graduates and Undergraduates
- La Nueva Cancion Latinoamericana
- Use of Music in Teaching Latin American History/Civilization

Other topics should clearly be included, however. Individuals interested in coordinating one of the above topics or one of your own should contact the Program Committee soon. Suggestions for sessions will be accepted through October 1. Contact the LASA Program Coordinator, Herman Vidal, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, 4 Folwell Hall, University of Minnesota, MN 55455, for details.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS (whose deadlines fall between July 1 and Dec. 31)

American Council of Learned Societies:

a. Grants-in-Aid, to advance specific programs of humanistic research in progress by contributing to the scholar’s essential personal expenses for that purpose, to $2,500, PhD or ability to demonstrate scholarly maturity required. Deadline: September 30 and February 15.

b. Fellowships, to enable scholars to engage in research in the humanities (including art history and musicology) for 6 to 12 uninterrupted months, to
$12,000, PhD or ability to demonstrate scholarly maturity required.  
Deadline: October 15.

c. Study Fellowships, to assist young scholars (under 36 years of age) to enlarge their range of knowledge in disciplines other than their present specialization, to $10,000, PhD or ability to demonstrate scholarly maturity required.  
Deadline: November 1.

Write for all: Office of Fellowships and Grants; American Council of Learned Societies; 435 East 48th Street; New York, NY 10017.

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation:  
Guggenheim Fellowships to assist research and artistic creation, in the fine arts (including music), with demonstration of an unusual capacity for productive scholarship or unusually creative ability.  
Write: John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation; 90 Park Avenue; New York, NY 10016.  
Deadline: October 1.

Rockefeller Foundation:  
Humanities Fellowships, for scholars in the humanities who would illuminate contemporary values, $10,000 to $15,000 for one year.  
Write: Humanities Fellowships; Rockefeller Foundation; 1133 Avenue of Americas; New York, NY 10036.  
Deadline: October 1.

NEH, Division of Fellowships:  
a. Summer Stipends, for two months of study for college and university teachers and other humanists, to $2,000.  
Deadline: early October.

b. Fellowships in Residence for College Teachers, for teachers in undergraduate and two-year colleges, for study in residence at designated universities, to $20,000. Descriptions of the programs are now available from the NEH.  
Deadline: November 13.

Write for both: Division of Fellowships, MS 101; National Endowment for the Humanities; 801 15th Street, NW; Washington, DC 20506.

George A. and Eliza Gardner Howard Foundation: Howard Foundation Awards, to assist individuals in projects contributing to knowledge, aesthetic enrichment, or human welfare, excepting work towards an academic degree; open to individuals between the ages of 30 and 40 who are nominated by their institutions or an outstanding person in the field; between $3,000 and $6,500.  
Write: George A. and Eliza Gardner Howard Foundation; Graduate School; Brown University; Providence, RI 02912.  
Deadline: November 1 for nominations, December 15 for completed applications.

Social Science Research Council:  
a. Fellowships for Doctoral Dissertation Research in Latin America and the Caribbean, for a year of dissertation research abroad in the humanities and social sciences.  
Deadline: November 1.

b. Grants for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean Area, to social scientists and humanists for research related to cultural, economic, political, social, or scientific development in the 19th and 20th centuries, for 3 months to one year, PhD required. Collaborative Research Grants and grants for Commissioned Group Research Projects also available.  
Deadline: December 1.  
Write for both: Fellowships and Grants; Social Science Research Council; 230 Park Avenue; New York, NY 10017.

Danforth Foundation:  
Kent Graduate Fellowships, to support graduate study in all fields, nomination by a Kent or Danforth Fellow, a member of the Society for Religion in Higher Education, or a member of a graduate faculty required.  
Write: Kent Fellowship Program; Danforth Foundation; 222 South Central Avenue; St. Louis, MO 63105.  
Deadline for requesting endorsement form: December 1.

American Association of University Women:  
Dissertation and Post-doctoral Fellowships, for dissertation work from $3,500 to $7,000 and for post-doctoral research to $9,000.  
Write: American Association of University Women Educational Foundation Programs; 2401 Virginia Avenue, NW; Washington, DC 20037.  
Deadline: December 15.

Organization of American States:  
OAS Fellowships, for advanced study, training, or research in any field in an OAS member country for 3 months to 2 years.  
Write: OAS Fellowships Program; Pan American Union; Washington, DC 20006.  
Deadline: December 31 and June 30.

PEOPLE

RESEARCH AWARDS

Congratulations go to the following individuals as recipients of research grants:

Magali Carrera (art history, Southeastern Massachusetts U.) — NEH Fellowship in Residence for College Teachers for 1979-1980, to participate in the NEH Seminar "Primitive and Civilized in the History of Religion," directed by Charles H. Long (religion) at The University of North Carolina. Dr. Carrera's individual study project will be "The Primitive versus Civilized Bias in the Study of Mesoamerican Art and Religion."


John Schechter (ethnomusicology doctoral candidate, U. Texas-Austin) — Fulbright-Hays Fellowship for 1979-1980 in Ecuador to study the style, function, and symbolic value of Quechua vocal music.

David L. Simon (art history, SUNY Cortland) — Post doctoral research fellowship of the Joint United States-Spanish Committee for Educational and Cultural Affairs, for research on the sculptural program of Jaca Cathedral.

ACTIVITIES

Barbara Anderson (art history doctoral candidate, Yale U.) will be a visiting professor in art history at The University of Texas at Austin this fall. A specialist in Latin American colonial art, she will be teaching a graduate seminar entitled "Studies of Form and Content in Mexican Baroque Architecture and Sculpture."

Hermilio Rosas (Museo Nacional de Antropología y Arqueología, Lima) is in residence at the Smithsonian’s Museum of Natural History to assist with the Museum’s exhibitions and education programs. His residency will continue through this August.

INSTITUTIONS

DIRECTORY OF MESOAMERICANS

Hal Ball (Institute of Maya Studies, Miami) reports that the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala is presently organizing a roster of Mesoamericanists, as part of the activities planned for the 30-year review of Heritage of Conquest. Interested persons may obtain registration forms by writing the University at Apartado 82, Guatemala City, Guatemala, C.A.

MEXICON

Karl Herbert Mayer (anthropology, Austria) recently forwarded to us an announcement for MEXICON (= Mexico + icon), a newly founded newsletter on Mesoamerican anthropology published in Berlin. The international newsletter, edited by Mayanist Berthold Riese (anthropology, Hamburg) with the help of other scholars in Europe, Mexico, and Guatemala, promises to be very important for the field. It is primarily oriented to new developments in Mesoamerican studies and includes news, short articles, and contributions on new findings, new evaluations, and new thinking. Six 12-page issues will be published annually.

Although the publication is primarily intended for German-speaking readers, many original articles are published in English and Spanish, and all other long texts are accompanied by Spanish and English summaries. Mexico proposes to present an international market for new ideas, welcoming any contribution that introduces for discussion a previously unpublished theme on Mesoamerica. Manuscripts for articles published in MEXICON should not exceed twelve pages, including notes and bibliography.

Volume 1, Number 1 was issued this past March and included the following article and research notes: William Brunn Murray (humanities, U. Monterrey), "Description and analysis of a petroglyphic tally count stone at Presa de la Mula, Nuevo Leon, Mexico;" D. J. Stone (St. David’s College, England), "A new correlation number: 615.824;" Karl Herbert Mayer (INAH, Cancún), "Ausgrabungen in Playa del Carmen, Quintana Roo, Mexico — vorläufiger Bericht;" Helga Maria Hartig, "Datiertes Lintel in Playa del Carmen."

Yearly subscriptions to MEXICON are DM 30 or $17 U.S. (for air mail service to the U.S.), add DM 5 or $3.00 U.S.), payable by cash, check, or (preferably) money order to MEXICON, K. F. von Flemming, Katharinenstrasse 20, D-1000 BERLIN 27, Germany.

HAITAIN ART

For those who specialize or have an interest in Caribbean art, the HAITAIN ART NEWSLETTER may be of great interest. It is now in its third year of publication, disseminating six issues a year that focus on Haitian art, artists, and cultural forms. A typical issue includes short articles on the origin and development of Haitian art and culture, profiles of prominent artists, and information on exhibitions. A year’s subscription to the Newsletter is priced at $6.00. Subscriptions can be begun by contacting Gladys Racine, the Editor-Publisher, at Haitian Art Newsletter, Inc., P.O. Box 4115, Silver Spring, MD 20904.

U. TEXAS ART-MUSIC PROJECT

The Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin has been awarded a substantial grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities for its project, LATIN AMERICAN ART AND MUSIC HISTORY PROJECT FOR TEACHERS AT THE PRE COLLEGIATE LEVEL. It will be headed by William P. Glade, Director of the Institute.

This is the third in a series of NEH-funded projects at ILAS for teachers at the precollegiate and junior college level. The first two were concerned with Latin American culture in general. Through a series of conferences, a course, and a summer workshop, the project will attempt to promote a greater understanding and appreciation of Latin American art and music among teachers and to develop a series of printed and audio-visual curriculum materials for their use. For more information contact Dr. William P. Glade, Director, Institute of Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712.

UNION OF LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN MUSEUMS

The UNION OF LATIN AMERICAN and CARIBBEAN MUSEUMS (UMLAC) was recently created with its primary purpose to begin a Latin American circuit for art exhibitions. In April at Villa de Leiva, Colombia, a meeting was held of directors of museums and similar institutions belonging to ten Latin American and Caribbean countries to establish a basis for the creation of a continental exhibition circuit. This new entity (UMLAC) will pursue "mutual recognition of the cultural setting of American countries as an indispensable step in the search for cultural identity."

UMLAC is addressing the need for increased circulation of Latin American sponsored exhibitions within Latin America itself. Presently (according to UMLAC) one most frequently finds that exhibitions of Latin American art travelling in Latin America were organized by European or U.S. institutions. This has been brought about by and has in turn caused closer collaborative ties between Latin American and European museums than those existing between the Latin American museums themselves. UMLAC seeks to change this by fostering increased cooperation in each of the preparatory stages of a travelling exhibition and in the realm of technical information.

Organizationally the UMLAC will be comprised of a General Membership (to meet yearly); a five-member Board representing Central America, Andean America, the Caribbean, the South Cone, and Brazil; an Honorary President nominated by the Board; an Advisory Counsel; and an Executive Director. Offices of the Union will be located in the Museum of Modern Art of Bogotá, G Adriana de Uribe (Director, Instituto Colombiano de Cultura) was selected Honorary President of UMLAC. The first Board also includes: Aracy Amaral (Director, Galeria Municipal de Sao Paulo), Manuel Esponoza (Director, Museo Nacional de Arte, Caracas), Fernando Gamboa (Director, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico), and Angel Kalenberg (Director, Museo Nacional de Artes Plásticas, Montevideo).
PERUVIAN CULTURE

A new ASOCIATION OF PERUVIAN CULTURE has been founded as an interdisciplinary group devoted to research on Peruvian literature, art, and history. Julio Ortega (Spanish, U. Texas-Austin) has been named President. Peruvianists and others can get more information on the association by writing Dr. Ortega at the Department of Spanish, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

New York University’s center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies has received a two-year NYU Curricular Development Challenge Grant to improve its eight course MA program in Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Three new seminars will be introduced, including one focusing on the arts, “Contemporary Latin America: the Arts and Civilization.” The Center also intends to expand its publication series and sponsor lectures and research conferences. Christopher Mitchell, Director, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, New York University, New York, NY 10003, can provide additional information on the Center’s programs and new direction.

ARCHITECTURAL RECORDS

The COMMITTEE FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ARCHITECTURAL RECORDS is an organization dedicated to locating, identifying, and making accessible the graphic and written records of the built environment. It was established in 1973 by a group of architectural historians, librarians, preservationists, architects, archivists, and museum curators who gathered in New York and addressed themselves to the problems of locating and making accessible architectural records in America.

The Committee has defined its purposes as follows:
- To serve as a national clearing house of information, encouraging the preservation of records of architecture and the building arts.
- To locate, record, and index the contents of collections of such records, including both written and graphic material.
- To work toward the formation of a nationwide information center and a uniform system of recording these records.
- To cooperate with other organizations having similar objectives, and to encourage the formation of a committee in each state.
- To encourage the preservation of records threatened with loss or destruction.
- To disseminate pertinent information to all interested parties through a quarterly newsletter and other means.
- To start a national catalogue or index of American architectural records and welcome additions to this growing file.

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The Committee encourages the establishment of local and state-wide groups with goals similar to its own, offering guidelines and advice for the formation of such groups. A newsletter is also available. Write Catha Grace Rambusch, Executive Director, Committee for the Preservation of Architectural Records, Inc., 15 Gramercy Park South, New York, NY 10003.

HUMANITIES ASSOCIATION

A new, independent humanities organization, the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE HUMANITIES, has been formed to “invigorate the humanities in the U.S.” Begun with grants from the Ford, Rockefeller, and Exxon Educational foundations and Dyson-Kissner, Inc., the association will represent the field before government agencies, seek better press coverage, and promote the teaching and increased funding of the humanities. Dues of $25 will support most of its operations; a chronicle, The Humanities Report, will be published. James M. Banner (Princeton) chairs the Association, but inquiries can be addressed to 198 16th Street, NW, Suite 601, Washington, D.C. 20006.

LATIN AMERICAN DIGEST

The LATIN AMERICAN DIGEST, a publication in its thirteenth volume, is soliciting manuscripts of a scholarly nature but oriented to the general academic and public reader. Articles may be on any topic in Latin American studies including the humanities, should be between 6 and 10 pages in length, and may be accompanied by appropriate illustrative material. Manuscripts should be sent to Juan Perez Aldape, Editor, Latin American Digest, Center for Latin American Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85281.

POPULAR CULTURE

The JOURNAL OF POPULAR CULTURE is also soliciting manuscripts of up to 20 pages for a future issue containing a major section on “Latin American Popular Culture.” Topics may be on novels, comics, pulps, radio, television, tabloid press, carnivals, sports, popular music, cinema, fotonovelas, cartoons, popular poster or wall art, and other such popular culture subjects. Papers must be completed by January 1, 1980, but one or two page proposals should be submitted soon to the guest editors. Write Harold E. Hinds, Jr., Division of Social Sciences, University of Minnesota, Morris MN 56267, or Charles Tatum, Department of Foreign Languages, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003.

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