



Jewish Latin America

January 14, 2012

100 Jones Hall

This K-12 teacher workshop will explore the diversity of the Latin American experience by looking at the impact of Jewish immigrants on the social, economic, political, and especially, the intellectual and cultural life of Latin America. Participants in this workshop will receive resources and lesson ideas for working into their classroom to address the following issues:

- Understand the role of Jews in the formation of Latin American countries, acknowledging their presence and participation in the very enterprise of colonization;
- Participation of crypto-Jews in the economy and society of colonial Latin America;
- Analysis of Latin American historians' treatment of the relationship between crypto-Jews and the Inquisition;
- Recognize the connections established by Latin American Jewish authors between a Jewish past of expulsion and Inquisition and a Latin American present of immigration and military dictatorships;
- Understand how Jewish cultural production is woven into the fabric of national culture in Latin America.

10:00 am – 10:30	<i>Introduction and Practical Lessons for Teaching Jewish Latin America</i> Denise Woltering Vargas, Tulane University Ellen Cohen, Metairie Park Country Day School Nicole Means, West Feliciana Parish High School
10:30 am – 11:30	<i>Sephardic Legacy on the Northern Mexican Frontier: A History of the Inquisition and the Crypto-Jews</i> Stanley Hordes, University of New Mexico
11:30 – 11:45	Break
11:45 – 12:45	<i>Expulsion & Memory</i> Film Screening & Lunch
12:45 – 1:30	<i>Jewish Latin American Writers: Between Integration vs. Acculturation</i> Ari Zigelboim, Tulane University
1:30 – 2:30	<i>Contemporary Jewish Latin American Artists: National/International Contexts</i> Edie Wolfe, Tulane University