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**Call for Papers
Caribbean Studies Association
32nd Annual Conference.
Salvador da Bahia, Brazil, May 28 to June 1, 2007.**



Conference theme: "Alternative Interpretations of the Circum-Caribbean: Interrogating Connections across History, Society, Culture, and Performance."

Our aim is to advance the dialogue among and between scholars and practitioners in efforts to chart a course for the practical engagement of academic researchers with the problems facing the Caribbean region. By hosting the conference in Brazil, we seek to challenge the popular understandings of the Caribbean by emphasizing the cultural, historical, and social spaces rather than the national and territorial in its conceptualization.

We seek scholarly papers from individuals spanning the broadest disciplinary and methodological range whose work focuses upon the Caribbean and its Diaspora. In this we include and encourage:

- Papers from the Circum Caribbean region incorporating Central America, Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico, and North-East Brazil;**
- Contributions from professionals, those engaged in the formulation and implementation of public policy, and public and private sector administrators;**
- Papers that interrogate the theme of connections across the Circum-Caribbean;**
- Papers that strive to enhance and preserve the rich cultures of the region;**
- Presentations from artists in film, music and theatre.**

While we consider individual papers, we strongly encourage submissions of entire panel proposals with themes intended to provoke stimulating discussion and debate. We also encourage and welcome graduate student papers and panels.

Please submit an "Individual Abstract Form" if you are submitting an individual paper or the "Panel Abstract Form" for panels. The appropriate form as well as a brief CV for each presenter must be submitted by email no later than December 22nd, 2006 to Caribbean_2007@yahoo.com. As you will note, individual abstracts should not exceed 200 words. Panel abstracts should not

exceed 100 words for the general panel description and 100 words for each presenter. Panel chairs will be responsible for communicating with their panel members. All paper presentations will be allocated an absolute maximum of 15 minutes. For more information, please visit our website at: <http://www.caribbean-studies.org>