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SUNTA in New Orleans

SUNTA was well represented at the 2010 annual meeting, with 180 papers in 45 SUNTA sponsored sessions. The program also included the Interlocutor session with Malcolm Suber and a garden tour Innovent organized by Kathleen Bubinas (UWC). There were a number of announcements at the business meeting. The SUNTA Board approved a reduction in dues to \$25 and \$10 for regular and student memberships respectively. The 22nd volume of *City & Society* is in press this year, and this journal will be published tri-annually beginning in 2012. There are over 2400 subscribers to the listserv. President Don Nonini and former President David Haines' search for a new SUNTA Webmaster is over: Mary Beth Fitts is maintaining a revised SUNTA Website (http://www.sunta.org) with current news and information.

With an eye to future meetings, out-going President Deborah Pellow announced a March 15th deadline for invited panel consideration for the 2011 AAA Meeting in Montreal, whose theme is "**Traces, Trademarks and Legacies**"). Guidelines for invited session will be posted on the Website and announced on the listserv. Please get your requests to SUNTA Program Chair and President Elect Nancy Abelmann (<u>nabelman@illinois.edu</u>) by March 1st.

Nancy Abelmann will be organizing the Interlocutor session for Montreal. Please contact her with nominations of scholars, academics and activists who can speak to community concerns and issues.

Leeds Prize

Committee Chair Robert Rotenberg announced that there were 27 strong submissions for this year's prize. The committee selected Phillippe Bourgois and Jeff Schoenberg's *Righteous Dopefiend*. The committee, comprised of three previous Leeds Prize winners, recognized the book's rhetorical innovation through the integration of collaborative ethnography and photography.

SUNTA Student Prizes

The Best Graduate Student Paper Prize was awarded to Marina Gold (Deakin University) for "Urban Gardens: Private Property or the Ultimate Socialist Experience?" The Best Undergraduate Student Paper Prize went to Adom Philogene-Heron of the University of Sussex for "Taming the Spider Man: From Anti-Colonial Hero to Neoliberal Icon." Andrea Morrell and Stephanie Campos (both of CUNY), organizers of "The Anthropology of Mass Incarceration: Global Ethnographic Perspectives on Prisons and Policing," were awarded the Best Student Panel Prize.

Additional information about each of these winning submssions, and guidelines and deadlines for future nominations, are posted on the SUNTA Website.

THE SUNTA AES Joint Meeting: New Forms of Difference/ New Forms of Connection

The AES/SUNTA meeting will be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico from March 14-17. The program and information about travel, lodging, registration and events are available on the SUNTA Website (http://wwww.sunta.org). For further information, please contact the conference co-chairs: Sharryn Kasmir (AES) at Sharryn.M.Kasmir@hofstra.edu or Lisa Maya Knauer (SUNTA) at Iknauer@umassd.edu.

CORI at the New Orleans AAAs

By Lisa Maya Knauer, CORI Correspondent

At the Committee on Immigrants and Refugees (CORI) group meeting, Lisa Maya Knauer was elected Chair, when Chair Elect Anahi Viladrich indicated that she could not assume the Chair. CORI and the SUNTA Board wish to thank Anna and Anahi for their leadership, and look forward to their ongoing participation. Because no one self nominated for the Chair Elect position, SUNTA student councilor Fethi Keles has generously volunteered for this task.

We are committed to reinvigorating CORI, and are especially eager to invite participation from other sections of AAA. We think the time is ripe for this as we noted in reviewing the programs from recent AAA meetings how many panels and papers from throughout the association highlight migrants and refugees. As a step in this direction, we plan to have CORI meetings (even if informal ones) at the upcoming SfAA meetings in Seattle and the SUNTA/AES conference in Puerto Rico. We will also have a greater presence on the newly-redesigned SUNTA Web page. Lisa Maya Knauer will serve as CORI correspondent to SUNTA column. Please contact her at Iknauer@umassd.edu with news for this column or the Website.

If you have any news, announcements or photos for this column, please contact SUNTA Secretary and Contributing Editor Jayne Howell at jhowell@csulb.edu.