

History at Fifty

A Conference to Commemorate Jamaica's Fiftieth Independence Anniversary

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Department of History & Archaeology, The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus, invites submission of proposals for presentation at a conference, History at Fifty, to be held in October 2012 to commemorate Jamaica's fiftieth anniversary of independence.

The conference aims at being retrospective, introspective and forward looking with regard to the research of History and its role in Jamaica's development.

The specific objectives of the conference are as follows:

- To examine the developments in the research and writing of Jamaica's History over the last 50 years, and the prospects for the future;
- To emphasize the role and relevance of History to all facets of life;
- To emphasize the importance of History to national and regional development.

While the focus is on Jamaica's History, papers that place Jamaica within a regional and global context are strongly encouraged. It is also important to note that the conference organisers encourage presentations which include an inter-disciplinary focus.

The Department welcomes scholarly papers on a range of topics including but not limited to the following themes:

- History, National Identity and National Development.
- Jamaican and West Indian/Caribbean Historiography.
- Pedagogy and Methodology in History.
- Women in History and the History of Women; Gender Analysis in History.
- Language and Literature in History; History of Language and Literature.

- The Role of Creole Languages in representing Jamaican and Caribbean/West Indian Literature and History.
- Cultural History- examples- History of Leisure, of Food, of Sports, of Music; of Religion, of Dress.
- Oral Histories and Narratives.
- Archaeology/Anthropology-The Historicity of Cultures and Cultures of Historicity.
- Heritage, and Heritage Management; Eco- and Heritage Tourism; Landscape and Environmental History.
- Law and Order in Society; A History of Crime and Punishment.
- History of Politics and Government; History and Politics and Politicking.
- The History of Businesses and Business Development, Organization and Culture.
- History, Technology and Labour.
- History in Science and Medicine.
- Migration in History and the History of Migration and the Diaspora.
- History and Education; History of Education.
- History and Media and Communication. History and Jamaican/Caribbean Journalism.

Proposal abstracts should be between 150 and 250 words (max), and indicate a title (working titles are acceptable up to March 2012); brief description of the paper and sources, name of presenter and affiliated department and institution, and contact details (preferably an email address).

April 30, 2012 is the deadline for the submission of proposal abstracts.

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