

LIONEL CANTU LECTURE

FEATURING:

Deborah R. Vargas

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Vargas discusses "Brown Soul", a manuscript in progress that reckons with Blackness in the field of Chicano Studies and by extension the political and aesthetic productions of Chicanidad, or what means to feel, imagine, and perform a Chicano sensibility. Brown Soul necessitates different methodological movidas in studies of the cultural politics of Chicano music and performance. With a focus on the brown soul of various artists including oldies groups like Rosie and the Originals, Linda Ronstadt, Sheila E, corridos de Amalia/Amelio Robles, and the Mexican folkloric song "la negra," brown soul initiates a spirit of urgency to ponder performance iconographies and analytic frameworks that have too often elided Blackness.

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12:00 - 2:00PM

ALUMNI ROOM, UNIVERSITY CENTER

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For information please contact: Colleen Massengale at cmasseng@ucsc.edu This event honors the memory of Dr. Lionel Cantú Jr.,
Assistant Professor of Sociology at UC Santa Cruz, who
unexpectedly passed away in 2002. His academic research
included international migration, HIV/AIDS, Latina/o
studies, queer theories, and feminist studies. Queer
Migrations: Sexuality, U.S. Citizenship, and Border Crossing,
a co-edited anthology by Lionel Cantú and Eithne Luibhéid,
University of Arizona was published posthumously in 2005.
A book based on his research was published in 2009, The
Sexuality of Migration: Border Crossings and Mexican
Immigrant Men, by Lionel Cantú, co-edited by Nancy
Naples, Professor of Sociology & Women's Studies at the
University of Connecticut and Salvador Vidal-Ortiz,
Assistant Professor of Sociology at American University
(New York University Press, February 2009).

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