Roundtable
Studying the New Brazilian Immigration
Friday, April 13, 2007
Woodland Commons
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
285 Old Westport Road, North Dartmouth, MA
Description of Program

8:30–9:00
REGISTRATION

9:00–9:55
Opening Remarks:

THE ROLE OF THE NEW IMMIGRATION IN OUR REGION

Provost Anthony Garro
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Consul Rodolfo Braga
Consulate General of Brazil in Boston
Alvaro Lima
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Frank Sousa
Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture

10:00–12:30
Roundtable Discussion 1:

IDENTITY, CULTURE, NEW IMMIGRATION
TODAY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Discussants: Cristina Mehrtens and Isabel Rodrigues
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
• Mirén Uriarte
Mauricio Gaston Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston
• Helen Marrow
Harvard University
• Corinn Williams
Community Economic Development Center (CFDC)
• Ramon Borges-Mendez
Mauricio Gaston Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston
• Kim Wilson
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Labor Education Center
• Gloria Mulcahy
Connecticut College
• Denise Porche
Office for Child Protection
Catholic Social Services New Bedford
• Bernadete Beserra
Federal University of Ceará

1:00–2:15
LUNCH

2:30–3:50
Roundtable Discussion 2:

GENDER AND LABOR (WSP co-sponsorship)

Discussant: Cileine Lourenço, Bryant College
• Dayanne Leal
Health Care for All/Brazilian Women’s Group
• Monica Chianelli
Brazilian Women’s Group
Women’s Co-op: Changing Cleaning Habits
• Maria Rocha-Tracy
Immigration, Self-Identity, Ideology, and Assimilation
• Godwin Ariguzo and Steve White
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
New England’s Brazilian Immigrant Community as a Niche Market
• Raquel Mendonça, Frank Mangan, Wesley Autio,
Thomas Brashear, and P. Geoffrey Allen
University of Massachusetts Amherst
Agricultural Trends in Massachusetts: Potential for Locally-Grown Fresh Produce for the Brazilian Community.

2:30–3:50
Roundtable Discussion 3:

BILINGUAL EDUCATION

Discussant: Glâucia Silva, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
• Michelle DaCosta
Framingham Public School
• Edneuza Farias
Westport High School
• Ana Maria Nogueira
Somerville High School
• Anna Karine Porto
Edmond P. Talbot Middle School
• Kevin O’Connor
Boston University
• Maria Lucia Espindola
Universidade Federal de Uberlandia

10–MINUTE COFFEE BREAK

4:00–5:20
Roundtable Discussion 4:

BRAZUCA ARTS AND CULTURE

Discussant: Dário Borim, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
• Rodolfo Franconi
Dartmouth College
The Oblique Eye: Literature by Brazilians in the U.S.
• Christopher Larkosh
University of Connecticut
‘Portagees, “Brazucas” and Other ’Funny Porto Ricans’; Overlapping Ethnic Diasporas in the Digital ’Lusosphere’.
• Bella
Ilha Bella: A arte brasileira em Martha’s Vineyard.
• Shirley Farber
Bilingual TV Show
• Wendy Rolfe
Brazilian Musicians at Berklee

4:00–5:20
Roundtable Discussion 5:

POLITICAL ASPECTS / LABOR

Discussants: Eduardo Siqueira, University of Massachusetts Lowell, and Gianpaolo Baiocchi, University of Massachusetts Amherst
• Marconi Almeida
MIRA Coalition
• Mark Langevin
Brazil Strategy Network
• Fausto Rocha
Centro do Imigrante Brasileiro
• Brian Pastori
CEDC New Bedford
• Ozzie Dias
Bilingual Advocate Framingham, Voices Against Violence
• Eduardo Amaral
Journalist
• Sergio Davila
Journalist, Folha de São Paulo
• Maria Schreiber
Journalist, Comunidade News

10–MINUTE COFFEE BREAK

5:30–6:00
CLOSING REMARKS

Eduardo Siqueira, Cileine Lourenço, Dário Borim, Glâucia Silva, and Cristina Mehrtens

6:00–8:00
SOCIAL GATHERING—REFRESHMENTS
CULTURAL MUSICAL EVENT
Music presentation by Brazilian artists
Fernando Holz and Daniel Nocéra.