Symposium: Humanities and Humanitarianism

A Hofstra / Harvard collaboration

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PROGRAM OF THE DAY

LUNCH, 11:30: meet at the University Club for buffet lunch.

Roundtable I, 1:00-3:00
Scholarship and social engagement. A forum for discussion of the relationship between scholarly production and personal engagement in social and political projects in Haiti, Nicaragua, Equatorial Guinea, Bangladesh, Brazil, the US, and elsewhere. How are our academic agendas impacted by these experiences, and how might they facilitate action?

COFFEE, 3:00-3:30

Roundtable II, 3:30-6:00
Challenges, solutions, and strategies. A forum for sharing strategies on concrete actions relating to our social projects.

Note

There will be no formal papers or presentations: the emphasis will be on dialogue and exchange of ideas regarding our respective projects and endeavors. The Hofstra Parlor does not easily allow for the projection of audio-visual material. However, printouts are welcome.

Directions and campus maps: http://www.hofstra.edu/About/InfoCenter/info_dirmaps.html
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