## Prof. Iani Moreno (Suffolk University)



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# **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

- FRIDAY, MARCH 16 (Stokes 195S) -

## 5:00PM OPENING REMARKS

Daniel Fitzgerald (Boston College)

## 5:15PM KEYNOTE ADDRESS

"Crossing and Redefining Borders Through Theater: El teatro del Norte" - Prof. Iani Moreno (Suffolk University)

6:00PM REFRESHMENTS

– SATURDAY, MARCH 17 (Stokes 295S) –

## 8:30AM COFFEE & LIGHT BREAKFAST

## 9:00AM LAND AND MATTER: THE PHYSICAL BORDER

Moderator: Katherine Manansala (Boston College)

"A dystopia in the service of fluctuating frontiers: *2084, La fin du monde*" - Ouafaa Deleger (Rutgers University)

"The Propagation of Sexism: An Analysis of Spanish Civil War Propaganda" - Courtney Zsitek (Boston College)

"The Spirit of the South: the Mediterranean Otherness according to the Northerners" - Chiara Barni (Boston College)

## 10:30AM IDENTITY AND MOVEMENT: THE PSYCHOLOGICAL BORDER Moderator: Bryant White (Boston College)

"Neither This nor That: Igiaba Scego and the "Hybrid" Identity of Second-Generation Immigrants in Salsicce" - Ashton Fiucci (Boston College)

"Crossing Borders of National Identity" - Anna Glassman (Boston College)

"When immigrants speak: diasporic voices in Julia Alvarez's How the García Girls Lost their Accents" - Tito Matias-Ferreira, Jr. (Duke University)

### LUNCH BREAK

## 1:00PM LANGUAGE AND MIND: THE SYMBOLIC BORDER Moderator: Kirsten Agla (Boston College)

"Language of Instruction in Higher Education: South Africa and Spain" - Xinyan Liu (Boston College)

"Reading Babel Twice: Derrida and Translation" - Magnus Ferguson (Boston College)

"Translator's Reflection: Reciprocal Translation in Rosario Ferré's Language Duel/Duelo del Lenguaje" - Mark D Fitzsimmons (Indiana University)

"Between Me(e)ting and Mimesis: The Performance of Colonial Identity and Contemporary Self-Effacement" - Chris Campanioni (City University of New York)

2:30PM CLOSING REMARKS Prof. Wan Tang (Boston College)