



TRAILBLAZERS AND INNOVATORS 2021

DR. MINTZI MARTINEZ-RIVERA is an Assistant Professor of Anthropology in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Providence College. She has a dual PhD (Folklore and Anthropology) from Indiana University Bloomington. Her research and teaching focus on P'urhépecha culture, indigenous youth



culture, indigenous popular culture, expressive cultural practices, Critical Indigenous and Anti-Oppressive research methods, and cultural transformations. In June 2021, her co-edited volume with Dr. Solimar Otero *Theorizing Folklore from the Margins: Critical and Ethnical Approaches* will be published by Indiana University Press, and she is also completing her book manuscript *Getting Married in Angahuan: Creating Culture, Performing Community*. For the last 2 years she has cooperated with the Social Justice Collaborative.

February 24, 2020 (Wednesday)

1 pm – 2:30 pm - Register [here](#).

Dr. Martinez-Rivera and Dr. Nana Amoah-Ramey will discuss the importance of mentoring in their lives and how they have negotiated the mentoring stages of separation and redefinition.

March 24, 2021 (Wednesday)

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm - Register [here](#).

Dr. Martinez-Rivera and Dr. Solimar Otero will discuss their new co-edited book: *Theorizing Folklore from the Margins: Critical and Ethnical Approaches* in advance of its release by IU Press.

March 26, 2021 (Friday)

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm - Register [here](#).

Workshop in Methods (SSRC) – Decolonial Ethnographic Approaches to Social Justice Research

April 21, 2021 (Wednesday)

2:00 pm-3:30 pm - Register [here](#).

Tales from the Field Roundtable: Working in Conflict Zones

Dr. Martinez-Rivera and Dr. Maria Hamilton Abegunde will discuss with students what it is like to conduct research in a conflict zone. We invite students who have conducted fieldwork or who plan to do so in the future to join us. If you would like to share a story, please register and complete [this survey](#).

Thank you to faculty in African American and African Diaspora Studies, Anthropology, Folklore and Ethnomusicology, Latino Studies, and the Social Science Research Commons for collaborating with us in this effort.

For more information contact jugmc@iu.edu