



## CONFÉRENCE | PUBLIC LECTURE

The School of Political Studies, Territorio Libre, the Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in Canada, and the Salvadorian Canadian Association of Ottawa present

### Conference and Discussion **Latin America's Integrationist Thought: from Simon Bolivar to Hugo Chavez**

Thursday, April 22, 2010, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
Desmarais Building, room 1160 (ground floor)  
55 Laurier Avenue East, Ottawa

**Invited speakers:** Isidro Camacho, Vice-Director of the Latin American Institute of Agroecology, Paulo Freire, Barinas, Venezuela

This public lecture will be presented in Spanish. Translation to English will be available. A short documentary will be presented to facilitate the discussion.

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2010 marks the bicentennial anniversary of the independence of several Latin American nations. Since 1999 Venezuela has experienced one of the most radical transformations in its contemporary history. From being a favorite submissive client of large transnational interests, Venezuela has evolved into an increasingly independent state and leader of an ambitious project: the integration of Latin America. The vision of a united Latin America was actively pursued by Simon Bolivar nearly two centuries ago with the creation of the Great Colombia. How is Latin America's integrationist project faring in the face of Washington's renewed attacks against it? This panel invites you to debate these and other important related topics.

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***This public lecture is free and open to the public. It is not required to register. For further information, please contact [massicot@uottawa.ca](mailto:massicot@uottawa.ca) Parking is available on campus.***