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## **"From Rainforest to Cane Field in Cuba: An Environmental History since 1492"**

with author

Reinaldo Funes Monzote, Ph.D.

**Tuesday, October 18, 2011 | 5:00p.m.**

FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus

Graham Center, Room 150

In this book, the 2009 recipient of the Elinor Melville Prize for Latin American Environmental History from the Conference on Latin American History award, Reinaldo Funes Monzote provides a comprehensive environmental history of Cuba since 1492 and its transformation from a mostly forested island to one dominated by sugar cane. It examines the human induced evolution of the Cuban landscape since the arrival of Columbus.

Reinaldo Funes Monzote, is an associate professor of history at the University of Havana. He holds a Ph.D. from Universitat Jaume I, Spain. He has been a visiting instructor and research guest in universities from Spain and Brazil and has been a guest lecturer in numerous countries around the globe.

Event is free and open to the public. A reception sponsored by DOHGSA (the history department graduate student association) will be held following the event in the History department conference room, DM370. For additional information and to RSVP call LACC at (305)348-2894.

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