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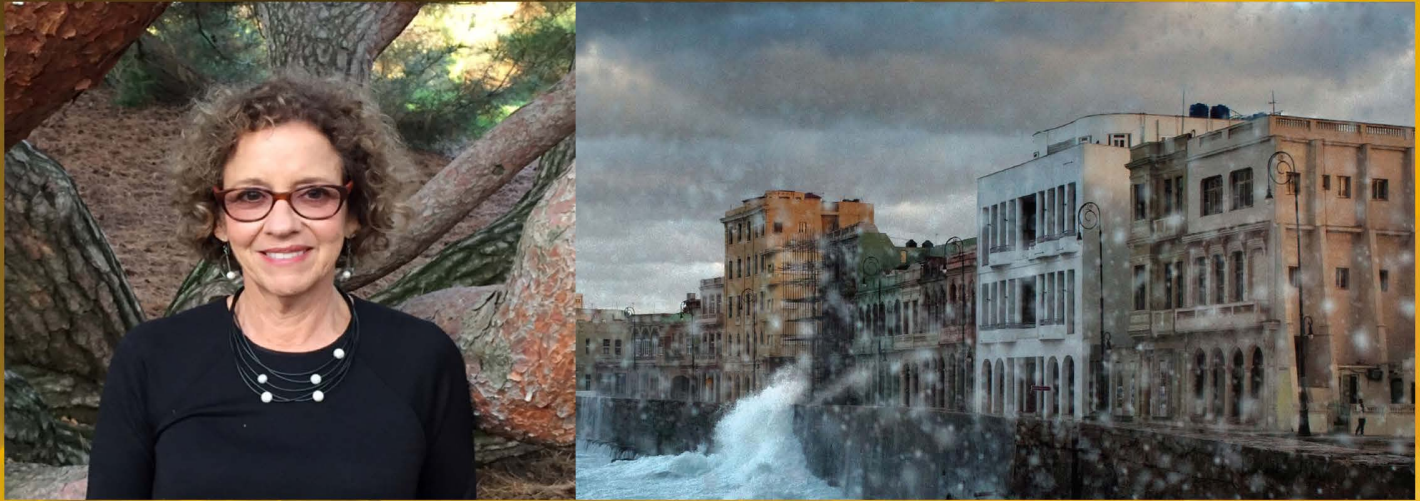
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Impossible Returns: Narratives of the Cuban Diaspora

Book Presentation by Author Iraida H. López

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This book explores narratives of literal and figurative return, including memoirs, fiction, and the visual arts, by those who left Cuba as children or adolescents. Among the questions it addresses are: What makes this generation's return accounts distinct? What does "Cuba" represent? How are the tensions as well as the affective ties with the island conveyed? What do the tenacious ties tell us about discourses on national identity?

Dr. Iraida H. López is the author of *La autobiografía hispana contemporánea en los Estados Unidos: a través del caleidoscopio* (2001). She was in charge of the critical editions of Ena Lucía Portela's anthology *El viejo, el asesino, yo y otros cuentos* (2009) and of Portela's novel, *Cien botellas en una pared* (2010). Dr. López has also contributed to various edited volumes on Cuban-American and Latino/a literature. The recipient of awards from the Latin American Studies Association's Latino Studies Section and the Asociación Internacional de Literatura y Cultura Femeninas Hispánicas, Dr. López is a professor in the School of Humanities and Global Studies of Ramapo College of New Jersey.

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