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Until 1959, Cuba was primarily a country of immigration. After 1902, when the island became independent, the immigrants were predominantly of Spanish origin, with approximately 785,000 arriving between 1902 and 1933. At the same time, approximately 311,000 immigrants came from other Caribbean countries, especially Haiti, Jamaica, Barbados, and other British colonies. Most of the latter were black agricultural workers employed by Cuba's burgeoning sugar industry, particularly in the provinces of Oriente and Camagüey. Many were deported to their countries of origin after the passing of a 1934 nationalization law requiring that at least 50 percent of all workers in any local business be Cuban-born.

In this panel discussion moderated by CRI Director Jorge Duany, three distinguished scholars will examine the social and economic impact of migrants from Haiti, Jamaica, and other West Indian islands to Cuba during the first third of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The panel features the following presenters:

- **Dr. Matthew Casey**, Associate Professor of History, University of Southern Mississippi, and author of *Empire's Guest Workers: Haitian Migrants in Cuba during the Age of U.S. Occupation*
- **Dr. Jorge Giovannetti**, Professor of Sociology, University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras, and author of *Black British Migrants in Cuba: Race, Labor, and Empire in the Twentieth-Century Caribbean, 1898–1948*
- **Dr. Andrea Queeley**, Associate Professor of Anthropology, Florida International University, and author of *Rescuing Our Roots: The African Anglo-Caribbean Diaspora in Contemporary Cuba*

**This event is free and open to the public.**

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