

INSURGENCY AT THE CROSSROADS:

A Book Talk by Aisha Finch

Thursday, January 26

4:00pm

Anderson School Collins A201

In *Rethinking Slave Rebellion in Cuba: La Escalera and the Insurgencies of 1841-1844*, Aisha Finch traces the emergence of a dynamic resistance movement of slaves and free people of color in nineteenth-century Cuba. Drawing from the largely unexplored testimonies in the Cuban National Archive, this book focuses attention on the hundreds of enslaved people who forged a radical, alternative vision of freedom in Cuba's plantation countryside. Demonstrating that black slave women and non-elite slaves were critical to shaping and organizing this movement, *Rethinking Slave Rebellion in Cuba* offers new ways to think about slave mobilizations, black political struggles, and histories of rebellion.

Respondents:

George Lipsitz, UC Santa Barbara, Department of Black Studies

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Lisa Brock, Kalamazoo College, Department of History

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