

## ★ ★ ★ CONFERENCE SPEAKERS ★ ★ ★

**NELSON VALDES** ★ *Albuquerque, NM, USA*

Nelson P. Valdes is the creator and director of the first university computerized data base on Latin America (LADB in 1986), University of New Mexico. He is a Latin Americanist, Sociologist. Emeritus Professor. Specialist on Cuba and the US Southwest. He has written analytical and opinion pieces for numerous newspapers, magazines and academic journals. He was born in Cuba.



**WENDY HOLM** ★ *Vancouver, BC, Canada,*

Professor of UBC's International Field Studies in Sustainable Agriculture (Cuba), economist, author and award winning journalist and sustainability expert. Wendy is also the organizer of the Canada-Cuba Farmer to Farmer Project.



**AARON MERCREDI** ★ *Vancouver, BC, Canada*

Editorial board member of the Fire This Time Newspaper and organizer with the Indigenous Rights and Action Project (IRAP).



**CINDY DOMINGO** ★ *Seattle, WA, USA*

Cindy Domingo is co-chair of the U.S. Women & Cuba Collaboration and the Cuba, Women and Bolivarian Alliance Issues Committee of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. Cindy has been co-leading women's delegations to Cuba since 2000.



**KELLY WHITE** ★ *Vancouver, BC, Canada*

Coast Salish Elder, & Indigenous media activist.



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**DR. ALEIDA GUEVARA** ★ *Havana, Cuba*

Lifelong Cuban revolutionary leader, a pediatrician, prominent author of the book, "Chávez, Venezuela and the New Latin America" and daughter of the legendary Ernesto Che Guevara.



**MANUEL YEPE** ★ *Havana, Cuba*

Journalist and professor at the Superior Institute of International Relations of Havana. Manuel was a leader of the underground July 26 Movement in Matanzas leading up to the triumph of the Cuban revolution, and worked directly with Ernesto Che Guevara.



**LARRY MOSQUEDA** ★ *Olympia, USA*

Professor of Political Economy at Evergreen State University in Olympia, Washington, USA and long-time social justice activist.



**TAMARA HANSEN** ★ *Vancouver, Canada*

Coordinator of Vancouver Communities in Solidarity with Cuba (VCSC), author of the book "5 Decades of the Cuban Revolution: the Challenges of an Unwavering Leadership" and former co-chair of the Canadian Network on Cuba.



**MARIA DE LA LUZ B'HAMEL** ★ *Ottawa, Canada*

Minister Counsellor to the Cuban Embassy in Canada

**MOON VASQUEZ** ★ *Seattle, WA, USA*

Latina Lesbian Feminist active in Seattle's social justice community for many years. Moon has helped lead numerous women's delegations to Cuba and Mexico to promote peace and understanding across borders with the Everywoman's Delegation for Cuba and the U.S. Women & Cuba Collaboration.

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13 2-6PM**

## SPECIAL CULTURAL EVENT IN HONOUR OF THE CUBAN 5 HEROES HELD IN U.S. JAILS!

*An afternoon of film, artowrk, live music & poetry dedicated to the struggle for the freedom of the Cuban 5 heroes....*



### WHO ARE THE CUBAN 5?

Gerardo Hernández, Ramón Labañino, Antonio Guerrero, Fernando González and René González, also known as the Cuban 5, are currently serving four life sentences and 75 years collectively in United States prisons. They were wrongly accused and convicted in U.S. federal court of "conspiracy to commit espionage" and other related charges. The Cuban 5 were not spies. They were involved in monitoring Miami-based terrorist organizations which since 1959 have been responsible for the deaths of over 3,400 people in Cuba, including one resident of Canada, Fabio di Celmo, in 1997. Through their important work, these 5 men were able to prevent further deaths in Cuba.

### Live Performances!

Songs of Love & Revolution:

- ★ Sangre Morena
- ★ Joaquin Ernesto
- ★ Noah Fine & the Cuban 5 Choir

★ New Documentary Film  
by Saul Landau:  
"Will the Real Terrorist  
Please Stand Up!"

Vancouver Hip Hop Artists:

- ★ Joose Justis
- ★ Atticus
- ★ Che Pablucci

Vancouver Poets:

- ★ Dilia Ochoa
- ★ Shakeel Lochan

### Speakers & Greetings!

- ★ Gerardo Hernandez ~ One of the Cuban 5 Heroes
- ★ Alicia Jrapko ~ Coordinator of the Intl' Committee For the Freedom of 5
- ★ Saul Landau ~ World renowned journalist & filmmaker
- ★ Tim Luis ~ Lawyer & COPE candidate for city council in the 2011 Vancouver civic election



## DAY 1 • SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11TH

10:00am-10:45am

### Breakfast & Registration

10:45am-11:25am

### Indigenous welcoming ceremony Conference Opening

**GREETINGS** via Skype by Cuban  
Ambassador to Canada Mrs. Teresita  
Vicenti Sotolongo

11:30am -1:00pm

### World Crisis, Imperialist Offensive, & Our Alternatives

Speaker: **ALEIDA GUEVARA**

1:05pm-1:55pm

### Film:

2:00pm-3:15pm

### Cuba's Gains, Challenges & Evolving Socialism

Speaker: **MARILU B'HAMEL**

3:15pm-4:00pm

### Lunch



4:10pm-5:40pm

### Cuban Reform Against Chinese Reform: What We Can Learn

Speaker: **MANUEL YEPE**

5:40pm-6:00pm

### Break

6:05pm-7:20pm

### Cuban Foreign Policy Against US Foreign Policy: Revolution & Counter Revolution in Our Backyard

Speaker: **NELSON VALDES**

7:20-7:30pm

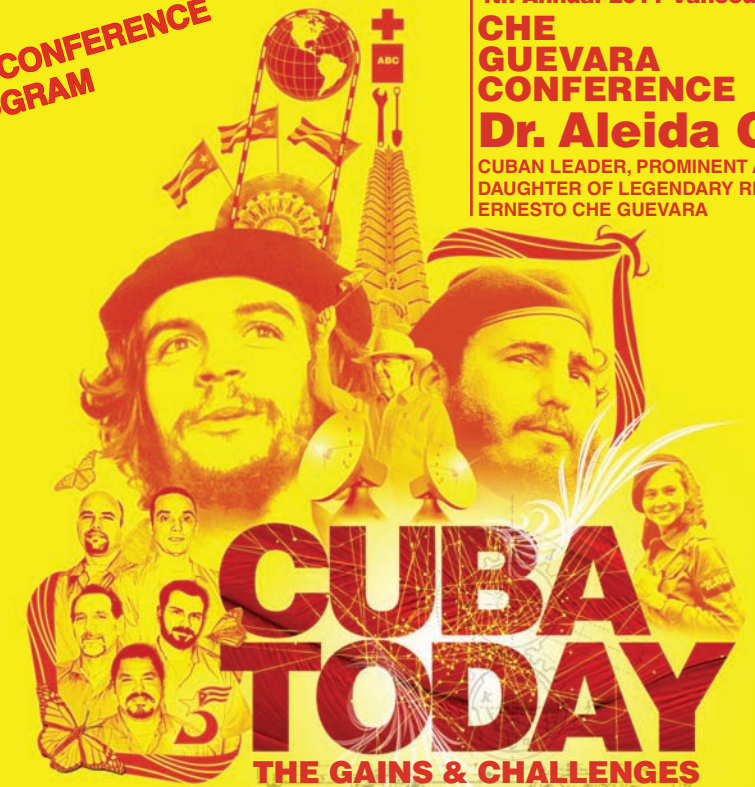
### Closing Day 1

## 2011 CONFERENCE PROGRAM

4th Annual 2011 Vancouver International

## CHE GUEVARA CONFERENCE Dr. Aleida Guevara

CUBAN LEADER, PROMINENT AUTHOR AND  
DAUGHTER OF LEGENDARY REVOLUTIONARY  
ERNESTO CHE GUEVARA



**NOVEMBER 11 & 12 • 10 WORKSHOPS**

**NOVEMBER 13 • SPECIAL EVENT FOR 5 CUBAN HEROES**

**RUSSIAN HALL 600 CAMPBELL AVE VANCOUVER, CANADA**

**VANCOUVER COMMUNITIES IN SOLIDARITY WITH CUBA - VCSC  
WWW.VANCUBASOLIDARITY.COM**

## DAY 2 • SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

10:00am-10:30am

### Press Conference & Registration

10:30am-10:40am

### Opening

**GREETINGS** by Consul General of the  
Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in  
Vancouver Mrs. Merli Vanegas

11:04am-11:45pm

### Fidel, Cuba & imperialist attack on Libya

Speakers: **AARON MERCREDI & TAMARA HANSEN**

12:20pm-1:20pm

### Documentary Film "Maestra" & US Women & Cuba Collaboration

1:25pm - 2:40pm

### Why Che's Ideas & Socilaism are Fundamental for Our Struggle Today

Speaker: **LARRY MOSQUEDA**



2:40pm-3:25pm  
**Lunch**

3:35pm-4:50pm  
**Sustainability and Cooperatives in  
Cuba's Future**

Speaker: **WENDY HOLM**

4:55pm-5:55pm  
**60 minutes with Nelson Valdes: All  
the questions you were afraid to ask  
about Cuba**

Speaker: **NELSON VALDES**

5:55pm-6:10pm

### Break

6:10pm-7:40pm

### Che and the Cuban evolution

Speaker: **ALEIDA GUEVARA**

7:40pm-8:00pm

### Conference Assessment & Closing By ALI YEREVANI