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## BRIDGING BORDERS: CULTURAL PRODUCTION AND TRANSNATIONAL IDENTITY

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# PLENARY SPEAKERS

06 September 2021, 9 am IST



**Dr. DARSHANA SREEDHAR MINI**

Assistant Professor, Communication Arts,  
University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA

**Topic:** Migrant Media from the Gulf:  
Kerala-Middle Eastern Media Circuits

07 September 2021, 2 PM IST

**Dr. TOM ODHIAMBO**

Assistant Professor  
Department of Literature, University of Nairobi, Kenya

**Topic:** Reflections on Contemporary  
African Literature



08 September 2021, 7PM IST



**Dr. ALBERTO PÉREZ-UNZUETA**

Professor, Dept. of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering  
Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León (UANL), México

**Topic:** Pre-Hispanic Beliefs in Mexican Culture

09 September 2021, 7PM IST

**Dr. NINA B. NAMASTE**

Professor of Spanish, World Languages & Cultures  
Elon University, North Carolina, USA

**Topic:** Lemons, Oregano, Satisfaction, and Hopeless  
Melancholy: Agency, Subversion, and Identity in  
Mayra Santos Febres's "Marina y su olor"



10 September 2021, 10 AM IST



**Dr. GIGY J. ALEX**

Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities,  
Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Trivandrum, Kerala

**Topic:** Cultural Discourse of Cuisines:  
Reading Select Culinary Memoirs from Kerala

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