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"Raspando coco:" A Short Documentary About Afro-Ecuadorian Food Traditions

with Pilar Egüez Guevara



Pilar Egüez Guevara, PhD is an Ecuadorian cultural anthropologist, writer and filmmaker who specializes in food, culture, conflict and health. Raspando coco is an award-winning film about the culinary and medicinal traditions of Afro-Ecuadorians. The film documents the health impacts and culinary traditions surrounding coconut as remembered and experienced by Afro-Ecuadorians in the coast of Ecuador. The movie positions communities of color as important knowledge bearers about health and food and shows the tensions that can arise when development and public health authorities label staple foods, like coconuts, unhealthy. Join us for a screening of the film followed by a Q&A session with the director/producer, Pilar Eqüez Guevara.

Pilar Eqüez Guevara holds a PhD in cultural anthropology from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. She has worked directly with communities for over 15 years on research and community-based projects in Argentina, Cuba, Ecuador, and the United States. Her most recent work has focused on amplifying the voices of older women and men who are the bearers of traditional knowledge about food and medicine in the coast of Ecuador.

Friday, October 9th, 1-2:30PM

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