



From the Boogie Down to Ciudad de los Tinajones: **Learning, Community, and Transformation in Cuba**

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Introduction: Who We Are

Moderators:

- **Jaye Jones**, Senior Director, Student Support Services Programs, Division of Student Affairs
- **Alison Abreu**, Associate Director of Education Development, Center for Teaching & Learning

Panelists:

- **Alsacia L. Sepúlveda-Pacsi**, Associate Professor of Nursing
- **Kelly Olivo**, Senior Academic Advisor, Onboarding Advisement Office
- **Maria Ramirez**, Assistant to AVP, Budget, Finance, and Business Operations
- **Michelle Bell**, Clinic Director, Bronx Telehealth Counseling Center at Lehman College/Assistant Adjunct Professor, Counselor Education Program
- **Timothy Pamias**, HR Specialist, Office of Human Resources
- **Tishana Daniel**, Pre-Nursing/Nursing General Academic Advisor, Office of Undergraduate Academic Advisement
- **William Suarez II**, Assistant Professor, Health Equity, Administration, and Technology (HEAT)



Lehman in the Provinces (January 8-18, 2026)

- 24 faculty and staff traveled to Cuba over 10 days
- Faculty Lead: Prof. Teresita Levy
- Coordination: Civitas GES, Dairo Moreno
- Visited universities and cultural institutions in Havana, Matanzas, Cienfuegos, Sancti Spíritus, and Camagüey (AKA Ciudad de los Tinajones)
- Goal to create new partnerships with Cuban universities in a variety of disciplines, build engaged learning opportunities for Lehman students, and connect with the Cuban people





A word or phrase that describes your experience?

Humbling

Feeling Seen

Community

Resilience

Strangely Familiar

A land of contradictions

Against All Odds





What activities or experiences were most valuable to you and why?











★ **MARTIRES DE LA PATRIA** ★

**FUSILADOS EN LA CIUDAD DE MATANZAS EN LOS AÑOS DE
1895, 1896, Y 1897.**

AÑO DE 1895:
1-DOMINGO MUJICA Y CARRATALA
2-GIL GONZALEZ ROMERO

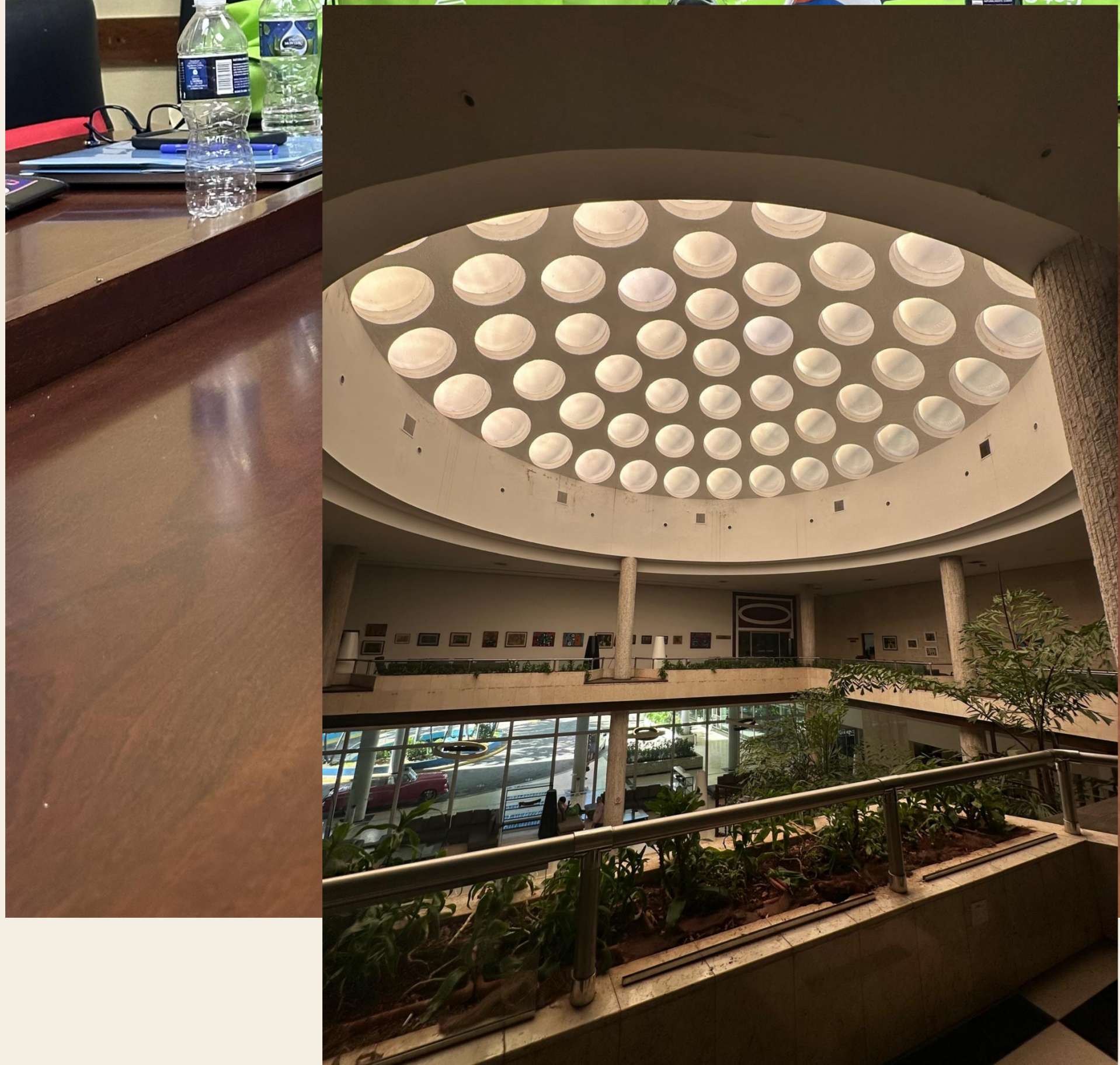
AÑO DE 1896:

3 TIMOTEO MESA Y HERRERIA	39 JULIAN PEDROSO
4 IGNACIO BIART	40 HILARIO CABRERA Y RODRIGUEZ
5 FLORENTINO HERRERA Y CARDENAS	41 ELEUTERIO MARTINEZ Y NUÑEZ
6 JUAN BENAGEL Y MARTIN	42 AURELIO MESA Y MESA
7 JOSE RODRIGUEZ E INCOGNITO	43 HERMINIO CARABEN Y MARTIN
8 CLEMENTE MARTINEZ Y ALFONSO	44 CELESTINO VIETA
9 CANDIDO CRESPO Y HERNANDEZ	45 ALFREDO MOREJON
10 CORNELIO HERRERA Y FERNANDEZ	46 TECLO PEREZ
11 LEONARDO JOLSA Y ALROEIRA	47 CLEMENTE MACHIN
12 MIGUEL ALVAREZ Y RODRIGUEZ	48 CIPRIANO HERNAN
13 LUIS MURO	49 JOSE ALONSO Y A
14 ARTURO CAIRO	50 FRANCISCO FERNAN
15 JOSE JIMENEZ Y ROBAINA	51 FERMIN SANTANA Y
16 ENRIQUE SOLER	52 JOSE ANTONIO MIGE
17 FULGENCIO SANCHEZ Y ORIHUELA	53 BENITO VILLAUURRU
18 PEDRO OFARRILL Y OFARRILL	54 BERNARDO QUINTANA
19 RICARDO BARRIOS Y ROBADO	55 BARTOLOME MARTEL
20 AMADO MARISTANEY Y PEREZ	56 ROBUSTIANO GUTIER
21 BERNARDINO RODRIGUEZ Y ESTEVEZ	57 LUIS ACOSTA Y PEI
22 JOSE MIGUEL CARRILLO Y CARRILLO	58 VIDAL DELGADO RO
23 FELIPE ESPINDOLA Y TRAVIESO	59 HERMENE GILDO LOP
24 ANGEL CALLEJA	60 ALEJO ORLANDO O S
25 JOSE CHARTRAN	61 MANUEL MORENO M
26 BIENVENIDO SANCHEZ Y MOREJON	
27 PIO SANCHEZ Y CEPERO	
28 ARCADIO ZANABRIA Y RAMOS	
29 ANGEL COWLEY Y HURTADO	
30 ARMANDO PRADO Y JORCA	
31 CARLOS FERNANDEZ ALVAREZ	
32 PASCASIO CARDENAS Y COMEZ	
33 JOSE TOMAS CARMENATE Y NIEVES	
34 MANUEL GONZALEZ LOPEZ	
35 AGAPITO RAMIREZ	
36 JUAN ARCIA Y RODRIGUEZ	
37 JACINTO COLLADO RODRIGUEZ	
38 PEDRO GONZALEZ MOYA	

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MARTIRES DE LA PATRIA
POR INICIATIVA
DE ALBERTO BERNAL
DEL CONSEJO TERRESTRE
DE MATANZAS**

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What about your experience still leaves you in awe?





Questions or Comments?





Thank You!

