

# 20TH ANNUAL

## WILLIAM E. & MIRIAM S. BLAKE LECTURE in the History of Christianity



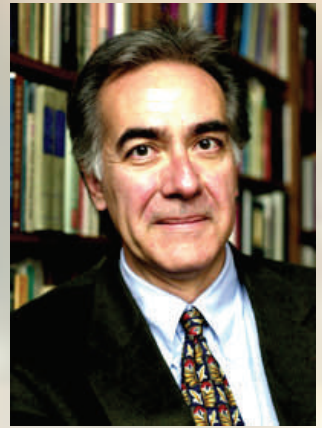
The lecture honors William E. and Miriam S. Blake and is presented annually by a renowned scholar. The lecture is supported by an endowed fund established by family, friends, colleagues, and those who enjoyed the History of Christianity course which Professor Blake initiated at VCU.

## REDEFINING THE SACRED: *Protestantism and the Birth of Modernity*

featuring

### **Carlos M. N. Eire, Ph.D.**

*T. Lawrason Riggs Professor of History and Religious Studies, Yale University*



In 1962, Carlos Eire was one of 14,000 children airlifted out of Cuba during the CIA's Operation Peter Pan— exiled from his family, his country, and his own childhood by the revolution. Seventeen years later, in 1979, Carlos Eire received his PhD from Yale. He specializes in the social, intellectual, religious, and cultural history of late medieval and early modern Europe, with a strong focus on both the Protestant and Catholic Reformations; the history of popular piety; and the history of death.

A past president of the Society for Reformation Research, Eire is currently on the editorial board of the journal *Church History* and the publications committee of Yale University Press. He is now writing a survey history of the Reformation era and researching attitudes toward miracles in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. His courses range widely in subject, but tend to focus on early modern Europe and on religious history.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013**

**7:30 PM**

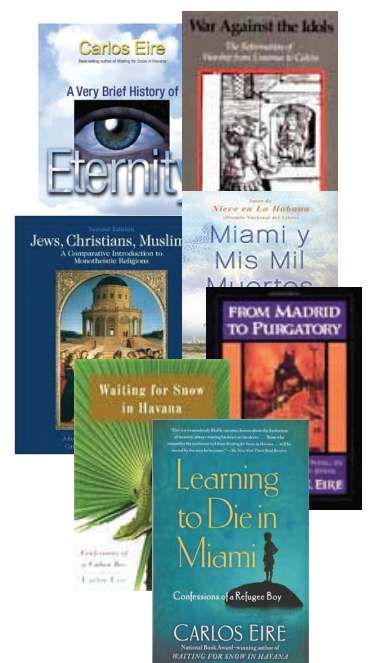
*VCU Student Commons Theater, 907 Floyd Avenue, First Floor*

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*Reception to follow.*

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