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On the Coloniality of Being in Jacques Viau Renaud’s Poem “Permanencia del llanto”

Synopsis: “Permanencia del llanto” was written by Jacques Viau Renaud, who was killed in action in April of 1965 during the Dominican Civil War; my argument is that the poem is the result of the struggles against the coloniality of being, of the consternation caused by the omnipresence of death —mort atmosphérique— in the colonial world (as theorized by Frantz Fanon), and of the de-colonial thinking which originates in the suffering of colonial and racialized subjects.

Biography: Rubén was born and raised in Puerto Rico. He joined Stony Brook University’s Hispanic Languages & Literature Ph.D. program after graduating summa cum laude from the Inter American University of Puerto Rico, where he studied Spanish. His experiences as a young U.S. Marine, and in the Iraqi battlefield in 2003, have inspired his research on war literature written by soldiers in the Spanish-speaking Caribbean. Some of his other academic interests include de-colonial theory and the Hispanic Diaspora. Besides his research, during his free time Rubén enjoys the rush of riding his bicycle through New York City traffic and watching basketball.

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