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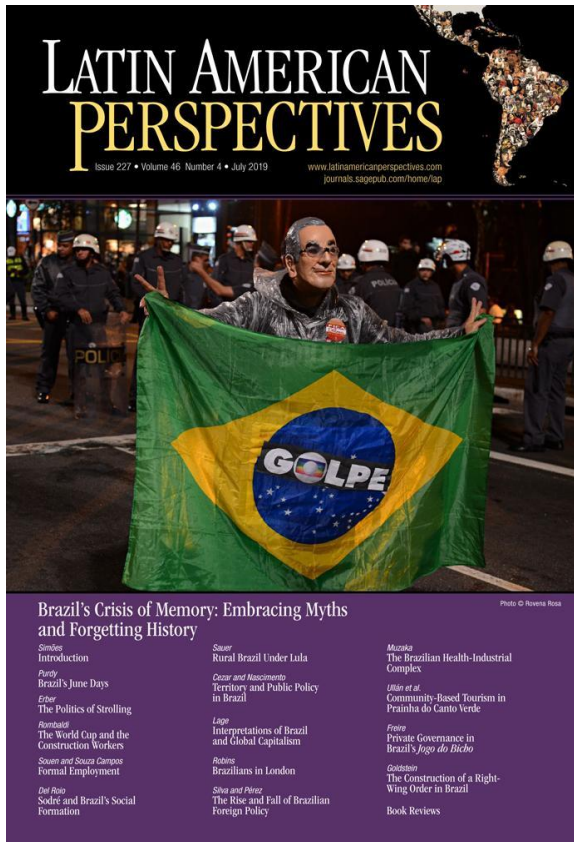


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the international recession, as well as questions of historical formation, cultural construction, self-identity, self-definition and criticism, and the conservative backlashes which have led to the rise of the rightist regime now in power. We offer this issue in the hope that these articles will provide a greater understanding of Brazil at this crucial moment.

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