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“St. Lucia: A Tale of Two Cultures? *Torn Between the Rose & the Marguerite*”

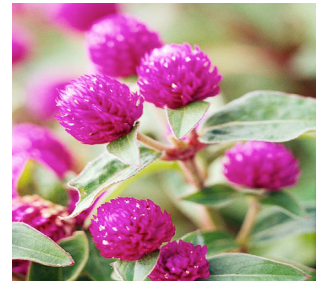
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An independent state of the British Commonwealth since 1979, the island nation of St. Lucia continues to bear the cultural imprint of the two colonial powers that shaped much of its history, Britain and France. This talk will explore the ways in which St. Lucians negotiate the tensions between the enduring British and French cultural legacies, represented by the rose and the marguerite, respectively. Special focus will be placed on the role of language in a context where Kwéyòl, St. Lucia's French creole vernacular, vies for recognition with the official language, English.

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