NEW RESEARCH ON THE ATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE

October 2-3, 2015

A conference sponsored by the Working Group on Comparative Slavery, the Afro-Latin American Research Institute at the Hutchins Center, and the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University

Participants:

Richard Anderson
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Program

Friday, October 2

CGIS South, S020 - Belfer Room

5:00 PM

Welcome, Alejandro de la Fuente, Henry Louis Gates Jr.

5:15 PM-6:45 PM

Screening: Ghosts of Amistad, followed by Q & A with Marcus Rediker

7:00 PM Dinner

Saturday, October 3

All sessions in CGIS South, S020 - Belfer Room

9.00 AM-11.00 AM

The Atlantic Slave Trade in Africa: Participants, Complicity, Resistance

Roquinaldo Ferreira, Brown University, "Cross-Cultural Exchange in the Atlantic World: Angola and Brazil during the Era of the Slave Trade."

Elisée Soumonni, Université Nationale du Bénin, “From Bahia to Coastal Benin: Reconstructing transatlantic family connections in Agoué.”

Vanessa dos Santos Oliveira, York University, "The Forgotten Slave Traders: Women and Slave Trade in Nineteenth Century Luanda."

Randy J. Sparks, Tulane University, "The Rio Pongo-South Carolina Connection: The Holman Family Build a Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Enterprise."
Saturday, October 3

11:15 AM-1:00 PM

The Digital Humanities Revolution and the Study of the Atlantic Slave Trade


Vincent Brown, Harvard University, “From Database to Interface: Designing the History of the Atlantic Slave Trade.”


Lunch: 1:00 PM-2:00 PM

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

The Slave Trade in the 19th Century: Liberated Africans and Emancipados

Daniel Domingues da Silua, University of Missouri; and Philip Misevich, St. John’s University, “The African Islamic Diaspora to the Americas in the Nineteenth Century.”

Richard Anderson, Yale University, “Liberated Africans in Sierra Leone: Origins and Experiences.”

Marcus Joaquim Maciel de Carvalho, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, “Stolen Slaves, Liberated Africans and Politics in Pernambuco, Brazil: The Case of the Slave Ship Bom Jesus dos Navegantes in 1846.”

Maria del C. Barcia, University of Havana, “The Slave Trade and the Emancipados in Cuba: New Sources and Research.”