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All sessions are free and open to public. For further information, please contact history@uci.edu.
Tuesday, October 1

4:00-5:15pm Opening Remarks: African Names and Liberated Africans
David Eltis, University of British Columbia
Ugo Nwokeji, UC Berkeley

Break

5:30-6:45pm Mapping West Central Africans in Rio de Janeiro
Chair: Alex Borucki, UC Irvine


Daryle Williams, University of Maryland, “Visualizing Space and Time: Free Africans and the Broken Paths of Freedom in Brazilian Slave Society”

Wednesday, October 2

9:00-10:30am Changing Boundaries of Ethnicity in Africa from Enslavement to Freedom Part 1
Chair: Ugo Nwokeji, UC Berkeley

Phil Misevich, St. John’s University “The Ethnolinguistic Composition of Captives on Slave Vessels from Sierra Leone in the 19th Century”

Richard Anderson, Yale University “‘Particulars of Disposal’: The Social Implications of Recaptive Settlement Policies”
Olatunji Ojo, Brock University, “Manuelita: A Slave Ship in Yoruba History”

10:45am-12:00pm Changing Boundaries of Ethnicity in Africa from Enslavement to Freedom Part 2
Chair: Laura Mitchell, UC Irvine

Edward Alpers, UC Los Angeles, “A Nineteenth-Century Freed Slave Register from Northern Mozambique”

Andrew Pearson, University of Bristol / Pearson Archaeology Ltd., “‘All, all to no avail’. The Medical Treatment of Liberated Africans on St Helena”

12:00-1:30pm Lunch Break

1:30-2:45pm Caribbean Crossroads of Empires in Slavery and Freedom Part 1
Chair: Winston James, UC Irvine


Break
3:00-4:45pm *Caribbean Crossroads of Empires in Slavery and Freedom*  
Part 2  
Chair: Winston James, UC Irvine


Armin Schwegler, UC Irvine, “A Puzzle Within a Puzzle: 19th-Century Afro-Cuban Pidgin Spanish in Light of Dasalu’s Letter to British Missionaries”

José Ortega, Whittier College, “Memory of the Middle Passage: Women, Kinship, and Freedom Suits in Cuba”

Break

5:00-6:15pm *Education and Memory in the United States*  
Chair: Bridget Cooks, UC Irvine

Nafees Khan, Emory University, “Representations of Enslaved Africans in Current Secondary U.S. and Brazilian History Textbooks”

Jessica Millward, UC Irvine, “Finding Charity Folks: Ghosts, Public Memory and the Reconstruction of an Enslaved Biography”