Recovering Afro-Hispanic Lives from Spanish Colonial Records ... and Making Them Available Digitally

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will present from her current project, a biography of Francisco Menendez and on the digital humanities project she directs, “Ecclesiastical and Secular Sources for Slave Societies” (ESSSSS) www.vanderbilt.edu/esss/

Wednesday, January 22 at 2:30 p.m.
Smathers Library (East), Room 1A

Professor Landers will address the rich documentary records available for persons of African descent in Spanish colonial archives, including those in Florida, and describes how unearthing one African man’s fascinating life led to archaeological projects, publications, museum exhibits and, finally, a digital archive of similar records collected in Florida, Cuba, Brazil and Colombia.

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