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The following, non-exhaustive lists of dissertations on African diaspora archaeology and related history studies were compiled by Chris Fennell. Archaeology dissertations are listed for the period since September 2006. The 2005 and 2006 issues of the African Diaspora Archaeology Newsletter provided similar compilations of dissertations for the period of 2000-2006. History dissertations are also listed below for the period since September 2006, with a focus on studies addressing aspects of past social structures, social networks, the built environment, material culture, and impacts of racism. If you are aware of other recent dissertations, please email me, and I will include the information in a future newsletter edition. The dissertations listed below are doctoral theses, unless otherwise indicated, and are listed in alphabetic order by the author name. Abstracts are available online from the UMI/Proquest service.

Archaeology


The Dynamics of Industry as Seen from Van Winkle's Mill, Arkansas, by Alicia B. Valentino. Available from the Department of Anthropology, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, and UMI/Proquest Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2006.

Patterns of Bone Remodeling among Enslaved and Freed Historical African Americans, by Vicki L. Wedel. Available from the Department of Anthropology, University of California,
Colonial Transformations of Death and Burial: Mortuary Analysis in North American Colonial Contexts, by Emily J. Weglian. Available from the Department of Anthropology, University of Minnesota, and UMI/Proquest, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2006.

History


Mapping Race, Erasing History: History, Space and Race in a United States Historically Black Community, by Mieka Brand. Available from the Department of Anthropology, University of Virginia, and UMI/Proquest Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2006.


From potential Christians to hereditary heathens: Religion and race in the early Chesapeake, 1590-1740, by Rebecca A. Goetz. Available from the Department of History, Harvard University, and UMI/Proquest Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2006.


Unequally Bound: The Conditions of Slave Life and Treatment in Santos County, Brazil, 1822-1888, by Ian W. Read. Available from the Department of History, Stanford University, and UMI/Proquest Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2007.


Housing and Living Patterns among Charleston's Free People of Color in Wraggborough, 1796-1877, by Katie A. Stojsavljevic. Available from the Department of History, Clemson University, and UMI/Proquest, Ann Arbor, Michigan. 2007 (Master thesis).