

The University of South Alabama Department of History presents
The Howard F. Mahan Symposium: The Colonial Gulf South
March 13-15, 2003 Mobile, Alabama

Thursday, March 13

- 1-3 Registration, Admiral Semmes Hotel Mezzanine
- 3-5 Riverboat Cruise on the "Cotton Blossom"
- 7:30 *Mahan Lecture*, Laidlaw Center, University of South Alabama
- Welcome by G. David Johnson, Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, and Clarence M. Mohr, Chair, Department of History, University of South Alabama
- "The Significance of the Gulf Coast in Early American History"
Daniel H. Usner, Jr., Vanderbilt University
- 9 til Reception, Laidlaw Center

Friday, March 14

Hearin-Chandler Auditorium, Museum of Mobile (except where noted)

- 8:30-9 Coffee and Late Registration
- 9-10:30 *Colonial Encounters*
Moderator: Greg Waselkov, University of South Alabama
- "Escape of the Nickaleers: Passing for Spanish in Johnathan Dickinson's Journal," Amy Turner Bushnell, Brown University
- "Supply Our Wants: The Choctaw-British Relationship and the Mobile Conference of 1771-1772," Greg O'Brien, University of Southern Mississippi
- Comment: Robin Fabel, Auburn University
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:15 *Colonial Society*
Moderator: Michael Thomason, University of South Alabama
- "Nicolas Mongoula, Friend of the Choctaws: Transcultural Identity in Eighteenth-Century Mobile," David Wheat, Vanderbilt University
- "Scoundrels, Sows and Gentlemen: Slander and Self-Fashioning in French Colonial Louisiana," Shannon Lee Dawdy, University of Michigan
- Comment: Philip Boucher, University of Alabama at Huntsville

- 12:30-2 *Luncheon*, Admiral Semmes Hotel
 Presiding: Richmond Brown, University of South Alabama
- “A Nation Divided? Blood Seminoles and Black Seminoles on the Florida Frontier,” Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University
- 3-4:30 *Colonial Economy*
 Moderator: Henry M. McKiven, Jr., University of South Alabama
- “The Naval Stores Industry in Spanish West Florida,” Ariana Hannum Moore, The Johns Hopkins University
- “Spanish Bourbons and Louisiana Tobacco: The Case of Natchitoches”
 H. Sophie Burton, Texas Christian University
- Comment: Virginia M. Gould, Tulane University
- 4:30-6 Wine and Cheese Reception

Saturday, March 15 *Hearin-Chandler Auditorium, Museum of Mobile*

- 8:30-9 Coffee
- 9-10:30 *Colonial Transitions*
 Moderator: Martha Jane Brazy, University of South Alabama
- “Atlantic Louisiana: Slave Resistance, Culture, and the Slave Trade, 1791-1811,” Kevin D. Roberts, University of Texas at Austin
- “Maintaining Loyalty on the Spanish American Borderlands: An Exploration of Cause and Effect in the West Florida Revolution of 1810,” Andrew McMichael, Western Kentucky University
- Comment: Jack P. Greene, The Johns Hopkins University
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:15 *Roundtable Discussion*
 Moderated by Betty Brandon, University of South Alabama, with Philip Boucher, Robin Fabel, Virginia Gould, Jack Greene, Jane Landers, and Daniel Usner
- 2 til Tour of Mobile with John Sledge

Conference Information: For further information and to pre-register, *contact Richmond Brown*, Department of History, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688; 251/460-6158; richmondfbrown@aol.com. For planning purposes, pre-registration for attendees not featured in the program is strongly encouraged. The pre-registration fee is \$25 and includes the Friday luncheon. *The pre-registration deadline is March 7.* On-site registration will be \$15, and luncheon tickets (if available) will be \$20. The conference hotel is the **Radisson Admiral Semmes**, 251/432-8000. A limited block of rooms has been set aside at the special conference rate of \$79 plus tax. *To receive the conference rate, reservations should be made by February 21.*