A Black Mother of a White Nation: The Whitening Process in Argentina

This presentation is a gendered analysis of black invisibility in Argentina. It focuses on Black and African-descended women who actively partook in the construction of racial identities during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Focusing on the household and intimate relationships that ensued, Edwards argues that Black and African-descended concubines, wives, mothers, and daughters are central to understanding the making of a white Argentine nation.

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