

University of South Carolina Lancaster

Native American Studies Center

Lunch and Learn Series

**FRIDAY
JULY
19**

All are invited to attend the free monthly public lectures which cover topics related to local culture and regional history. Lectures begin at noon and finish by 1:00.

Participants are invited to bring a bag lunch.

Location:

**Native American
Studies Center**

**119 South Main Street,
Lancaster, SC**

“Healing the Loathsome: J. Marion Sims’ Unreconciled Legacy of Racial Exploitation in Medicine.”



One of Lancaster’s most celebrated historical figures, J. Marion Sims established his reputation as the “father” of modern gynecology through research performed on enslaved African-American women. Was Sims unfairly exploiting this vulnerable population for professional gain?

Or were his efforts part of an earnest attempt to relieve human suffering? In this talk, Adam Biggs will discuss the complex ethical issues surrounding Sims’ methods and consider their implications for modern medical research and his historical legacy.

Please direct any questions or comments regarding the series to Brent Burgin at 803-313-7063 or wbburgin@sc.edu. Mr. Burgin welcomes suggestions and ideas for future talks and speakers.



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