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## **“Pirates of the Slave Trade: The Birth of an American Institution”**

**KSQD 90.7, 89.5 & 89.7FM “Be Bold America!”**

**Sunday, November 19, 2023 at 5:00pm (PT)**

No one present at the **battle of Cape Lopez** off the coast of West Africa in 1722 could have known that they were **on the edge of history.**

This obscure, yet fierce naval battle, would have a **monumental impact** on British colonies and **the future of slavery in America**

We will have the honor to be speaking with **historian Dr. Angela Sutton**, who outlines the complex network of trade routes spanning the Atlantic Ocean **trafficked by agents of empire, private merchants, and brutal pirates alike.**

Drawing from a wide range of primary historical sources, Dr. Sutton offers a **new perspective on how a single battle that played a pivotal role in reshaping the trade of enslaved people in ways that affect America to this day.**

## Interview Guest:

**Dr. Angela C. Sutton**, <https://twitter.com/DrAngelaSutton>, is an assistant research professor at **Vanderbilt University**, where she has taught Seapower in History, the Golden Age of Piracy, and Comparative Slavery. Dr. Sutton is author of the new book, *Pirates of the Slave Trade: The Battle of Cape Lopez and the Birth of an American Institution*.

She is director of Builders and Defenders, a **database of the enslaved and free Black laborers and soldiers** who built and defended Fort Negley, a **Civil War fortification in Nashville on the UNESCO Routes of Enslaved Peoples**, as well as [the Fort Negley Descendants Project](#), an oral history archive of the stories of this population's descendants.

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