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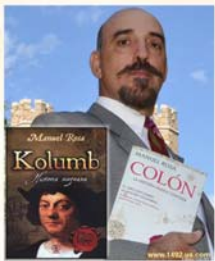


## Blanka Rosenstiel Lecture Series on Poland

### Christopher Columbus: A History of Fraud & Deceptions

Lecture by Manuel Rosa, Luso-American historian

Tuesday, February 10, 2015 | 11 AM - 12:30 PM | FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus | AHC 3 - 205



Turns out Columbus was not Italian after all but descendant of Polish Royalty!

**Manuel Rosa** is a historian born in Pico Island, Azores, Portugal who moved to the US in 1973. In 1976 he received the Art Merit Award from the Boston Globe and Lockheed Martin's Lightning Award in 2002. In 1991 Mr. Rosa began a scientific investigation of the great 15th century explorer, Christopher Columbus. He eventually became the only Luso-American historian involved with DNA studies of Columbus' bones that took place at the University of Granada in Spain. Considered a top expert on the explorer's life, Mr. Rosa has lectured at universities and organizations worldwide, has advised UNESCO and the Haitian government in matters related to Columbus'

shipwreck, and his research has been featured on TV and other media, including Polish TTV, BBC Radio, WNPR and the cover of *Newsweek Magazine* in Poland.

In 2006 Mr. Rosa's first academic book, "O Mistério Colombo Revelado" ("The Columbus Mystery Revealed") was published in Portugal. His third book, "COLÓN. La Historia Nunca Contada" ("COLUMBUS. The Untold Story") is based on medieval documents and was published in Spain in 2010, earning worldwide attention; it has subsequently been published in Poland, Lithuania and Portugal. Hailed as a paradigm changer of a universally accepted history, this book has called into question everything that had been written about Columbus for 500 years.

This event is free and open to the public. RSVP by February 6th at [calyc@fiu.edu](mailto:calyc@fiu.edu) or call 305-348-5949.

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