



Explore Philadelphia's Hidden Past: New Archaeological Discoveries in our Town

A Pennsylvania Archaeology Month Event

Illustrated Talks by Archaeologists... Artifact Demonstrations... Archaeology Film and Video... Exhibit Tables...
Kid's Program... Archeology Laboratory Open House... Teacher Resources...



All events are free, except the children's story and craft program.
Open to the public. No advance tickets or reservations required.

Saturday, October 20, 2007

Independence Living History Center Archaeology Laboratory in Independence National Historical Park,
Third Street between Chestnut and Walnut Streets

For More Information, go to: WWW.PHILLYARCHAEOLOGY.ORG

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Morning Session (10:00 - 11:45):

- 10:00 Welcome
- 10:15 Calendars and Comets (Patrice L. Jeppson)
- 10:30 The Brushmaker and the Water Well (Douglas Mooney)
- 10:45 Chewing on the Bones: Investigating Colonial Philadelphia Foodways and Cuisine from Archaeological Animal Bones and Historic Cookbooks (Teagan Schweitzer)
- 11:00 Partnering in a South Philadelphia Dig: The Washington Avenue Bioarchaeology Project (Arthur Washburn)
- 11:15 Taking a Closer Look at Philadelphia's Early Poor Population: A Study of the City Almshouse 1732-1767 (Mara Katkins)
- 11:30 Delaware River & Bay Underwater Archaeological Sites (J. Lee Cox, Jr.)
- 11:45 Questions from the Audience
- Noon Lunch Break & Archeology Laboratory Open House

Afternoon Session (1:00 - 5:00):

- 1:00 Poverty, Patriots and Pestilence: Archaeological Investigations of Unmarked Burials beneath Philadelphia's Washington Square (Tony McNichol)
- 1:15 A Candle to Freedom: Archaeological Investigations on the Underground Railroad, Johnson House, Philadelphia, PA (Kimberly Morrell)
- 1:30 Sundries in the Cistern at James Logan's Stenton (Deborah Miller)
- 1:45 Questions from the Audience
- 2:00 The Lost Mills of RittenhouseTown (Katherine Cavallo)
- 2:15 The Hidden Casements of Fort Mifflin: Sealed for a hundred and forty years and now suddenly revealed (David G. Orr)
- 2:30 Questions from the Audience
- 3:00 Archeology Explores Slavery and Freedom at the President's House (Jed Levin)
- 3:15 Archaeology at the President's House: What It Means for African-American History (Cheryl LaRoche)
- 3:30 Questions from the Audience
- 4:00 Video: the Mystery Coffins from the Philadelphia Almshouse (Introduced by Tom Crist)
- 4:30 Video: Video of the President's House Excavation by Philly.Com (Introduced by Philadelphia Inquirer Staff Members)

...See Back for Children's Programs and Exhibit Tables

EXHIBITS (Lobby, Independence Living History Center)

Oliver Evans Chapter of the Society for Industrial Archaeology

Formed in 1984, the 100+ members of Oliver Evans (Philadelphia, PA) are interested in the engineering and industrial heritage of the Delaware Valley area. The society seeks to educate people about our industrial past, to document it (particularly those sites in danger of extinction), and to act as an advocate toward the preservation of historic industrial and engineering sites. The Chapter organizes tours of local industrial sites and presents lectures. (Muriel Kirkpatrick)

Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology John Shrader Chapter #21 (SouthEastern PA)

SPA was organized in 1929 to promote the study, scientific research, and conservation of the prehistoric and historic archaeological resources of Pennsylvania and neighboring states, to promote the dissemination of information about this archaeology, and to encourage the exchange of archaeological knowledge between the professional and the avocational archaeologist. (Catherine Spohn)

Archaeology in Philadelphia

(Muriel Kirkpatrick of Philadelphia Archaeological Forum)

Archaeology is a Community Resource

Philadelphia's rich archaeological heritage is utilized for elementary and high school education purposes, college internship experience, community solidarity for cultural heritage, and community service opportunities. A sample of our community's engagement with local archaeological resources includes projects from local Charter Schools, the Daily News Urban Journalism Workshop (Bianca Crespo, James Dobson, and Vivid Voice), The Harrisburg Internship Semester (THIS)/Cheyney University (Homer Lane), and the Radner University History Intern program (Daniel Mangigian).

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Posters, web site information, lesson plans, and activities. (Deborah Miller, PAF, and Patrice L. Jeppson)

3-D Colonial Philadelphia

3-D models, animations, and interactive media are being used to re-create and explore 18th century Philadelphia and the surrounding region. Demonstrations of 3-D models and animations being developed for the James Oronoco Dexter House (Philadelphia), The Whithall House and Fort Mercer sites (in Woodbury, New Jersey) and The Mill at Anselma (in Chester Springs, PA) will be on view. Virtual artifacts and archaeological sites provide searchable databases for researchers and scholars while immersive 3-D interactive environments are useful for teaching colonial American history in schools. 3-D models and animations also allow for virtual visitation of historic sites via the internet. (Drexel University Digital Media Program Faculty and Students from the Drexel University Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design)

'Table Top' Dig Demonstration

Test your observation and analysis skills in this hands-on demonstration that draws on using human osteology evidence to learn about African American history and culture. (Najah Palm)

Philadelphia Archaeological Forum (PAF)

PAF is dedicated to the protection and preservation of archaeological resources in the Philadelphia region. The organization aims to further awareness of this rich archaeological heritage through educational programs and activities that reach beyond the professional community. PAF meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month. On Exhibit: Fliers with upcoming talks, examples of sponsored publications, Walking Tour brochure, web page display, Membership Forms, Business Cards.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND TEACHERS (Archeologists in the Making Learning Lab, Independence Living History Center)

10:00-11:00 **HisSTORY Time!** (Ages 4-8, Fee: \$10 per child)

Kids and their parents will enjoy a picture book about archeology read by a ranger and will participate in craft projects in the Archeologists in the Making Learning Lab. Call the Independence Park Institute at (215) 597-2760 to reserve your spot! Space permitting, walk-ins will be accepted on the day of the event.

12:00-4:00 **Open House and Archeology Family Program** (All ages, free program)

Children, their parents, and teachers are invited to an open house in the Archeologists in the Making Learning Lab. Teachers and parents will learn about the fun and educational programs the Independence Park Institute has to offer to your school or other group. Kids will get to take on the role of archeologists and piece together the stories of the buried past in the Archeologists in the Making Learning Lab.