

EXPLORE PHILLY'S BURIED PAST, 2016

Co-sponsored by the Philadelphia Archaeological Forum and Independence National Historical Park

Where: **National Constitution Center** (Kirby Auditorium, 525 Arch Street, Philadelphia)

When: **Saturday, October 15th, 10am-3:15pm**

FREE Event!

10:00am	Welcome and Introduction Jed Levin, Independence National Historical Park
10:10am	Archaeology in Philadelphia: Year in Review Philadelphia Archaeological Forum President Doug Mooney will offer a whirlwind tour of projects and other notable developments in Philadelphia archaeology that have occurred over the past year.
10:25am	Save Our Sites: A Story of Philadelphia, Backhoes, and the Bulldozing of History Historic Preservation in Philadelphia is a hot topic. Historic buildings are being unceremoniously bulldozed at an alarming rate for no other reason than the real estate value of the ground beneath them. The ground itself is even less respected, with no consideration given to the archaeological sites that may be present. These sites are being destroyed and carted away to the landfill; a sad end for the illustrious past of America's founding city. Deborah Miller reports on three archaeological sites destroyed recently in Old City, the heart of eighteenth century Philadelphia, highlighting the need for municipal protection of archaeological sites in our city.
10:40am	Down by the River: South Camden, 1400 BC Native Americans have lived along the Delaware River for thousands of years. Archaeologist Ilene Grossman-Bailey talks about hearths, ceramic vessel fragments, and stone tools discovered recently during construction in South Camden, New Jersey.
10:55am	Touching the Past: Incorporating 3D-printed Artifact Replicas into a Museum Exhibit. The National Constitution Center is refreshing their main exhibition gallery with a display of nearly 70 artifacts excavated from 'beneath your feet'. Sarah Winski, Manager of Exhibition Development and Elena Popchock, Exhibition Developer, discuss incorporating 3D-printed artifact replicas into the display as a way to share stories about "We the People" in 1787 and to provide opportunity to 'touch the past'.
11:10am	Lightening Round #1...
11:10-11:17	School in Rose Valley: Digging Our Past Project (Part 1 and 2) Rose Valley School alumni, administrators, parents, and students are making history by digging into the rich heritage of the Rose Valley National Register Historic District (Delaware County). Former Acting Head of the school, now LaSalle University Associate Professor of Education, Frank Mosca introduces the history of the school and its curriculum preparing students to 'think like archaeologists'. Archaeologist Stephen Israel presents highlights from the school's 'Digging Our Past' project.
11:18-11:21	23 Skidoo and Chicken Inspector 23 too!: A glimpse of early 20th-Century slang and humor Archaeologists hired by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in Delaware County recently excavated a badge with the label "Chicken Inspector 23." The badge is an object of crude humor whose meaning is still partially recognized. Archaeologist Kenneth J. Basalik discusses the origin of the badge, its humorous connotations, and reflects on the changing nature of language.
11:22-11:25	Revolutionary Bling: Lost 1780's, Found 2014 A gemstone featuring the British Royal Coat of Arms was lost while its owner was using the privy (outhouse) at a tavern on Carter's Alley – now the location of the new Museum of the American Revolution. Archaeologist Juliette Gerhardt ponders the ring's meaning, or significance, in late 18 th century America.

11:25am	Old Venues through New Avenues: Augmented Reality and 3D Printing Re-Reveal Philadelphia's Past With today's cutting-edge virtual reality technologies, and the increasing availability of 3D printing, the public can explore historical places in new ways. Chester Cunanan and Mark Petrovitch demonstrate how these technologies are changing how we interact with Philadelphia's past.
11:40am	Was General Washington Here? The William Green House, Trenton, New Jersey Documentary evidence reports that Washington's troops billeted at the William Green house during the Revolutionary War. Archaeology is now adding dimension to this history. Archaeologist George Leader discusses the on-going excavations at the site.
11:55am	Ask The Archaeologist: Questions and Discussion with the Audience/ RAFFLE
Noon-1:30pm	----- Lunch - ** 1:00-1:30pm * Soapstone Artifact Display, Auditorium Lobby -----
1:30pm	Afternoon Welcome/RAFFLE (Doug Mooney, President, Philadelphia Archaeological Forum)
1:40pm	Identifying a Servants Landscape from the turn of the 18th Century -- Excavations in the William Hamilton Family District of the Woodlands Cemetery Ground Penetrating Radar, a back hoe, and a bit of luck helped archaeologists unearth new knowledge about the William Hamilton Family-era (1766-1813) at The Woodlands in West Philadelphia. Archaeologist Matthew Harris talks about the discovered landscape features and artifacts that document the lives of Hamilton's servants – including both free blacks and enslaved African Americans - that supported the stately mansion and large estate.
1:55pm	Lightening Round #2....
1:56 - 1:59	Native American Soapstone Vessels from Eastern Pennsylvania For thousands of years Native Americans in eastern Pennsylvania carved vessels and other objects from soapstone. Archaeologist Heather Wholey explains how archaeology helps to understand and reconstruct the craft of soapstone vessel carving (Note: Carved Soapstone artifacts will be on display in the lobby 1:00-1:30pm)
2:00 - 2:04	The Owl or the Pussycat?: A Curious Artifact from the Woodlands A strange ceramic sherd was discovered during archaeological investigations of the Woodlands in West Philadelphia. With eyes, a nose, and elements that resemble vessels of many types from many places and time periods, this mysterious sherd has led archaeologists Meta Janowitz and Meagan Ratini on a quest for its true identity.
2:05- 2:09	Made in "Roumania" An early 20th century novelty perfume bottle from Delaware County Recent excavations undertaken for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in Delaware County have unearthed evidence a variety of cosmetic items related to several early 20th century households. Kenneth J. Basalik describes how one of these -- a perfume bottle in the shape of a sailor -- fits into the global network of the early twentieth century perfume industry.
2:10-2:14	Inventive Repair: Just a little metal or wood, it's not a bad price to pay...Fix your favorite stemware with a little ingenuity today... No need to throw the whole thing away! Archaeologist Amy Litterer shares a discovery from the past "of someone making do". A stemware glass required repairing and the response was inventive!
2:15-2:19	James Oronoco Dexter and the Three Tun Tavern One of the artifact assemblages excavated on the Museum of the American Revolution Center site appeared to come from the Three Tun Tavern on Chestnut Street. The artifacts date to the 1760s when James Oronoco Dexter, an enslaved African, was working there and the tavern keeper was involved in his manumission in 1767. The house site where Dexter lived in the 1790s was excavated in 2003 and in this presentation archaeologist Rebecca Yamin demonstrates how one project on top of another adds to our knowledge of important pieces of the past.
2:20pm	Well! Have I got a Story for You! A Wellspring of Influence - Carter's Alley Receives a Community Well and Continues on its Path to Maturity The 800-pound wooden stock from a water well was recently excavated near 3 rd and Chestnut Streets. Archaeologist Kathryn R. Wood talks about the construction of this well and explores the overt and underlying influences that such a communal asset once exerted on its community.

2:35pm	<p>That Sinking Feeling: The fortuitous discovery of an 18thC privy in Germantown Archaeologists monitoring the repair of a sinkhole at the Wyck House in Germantown uncovered a beautifully preserved stone privy. Archaeologist Joel Dworsky explains how the discovery of this 'outhouse' offers new information about the settlement of the Wyck property and the Germantown neighborhood at large.</p>
2:50pm	<p>Animal Abuse in the City of Brotherly Love? What do animal bones excavated from the National Constitution Center Site tell us about diet, illness, mishaps, and mischief in early Philadelphia? Archaeologists Jed Levin, Marie-Lorraine Pipes, Nika Shilobod, and Trevor Totman examine the bones and tell the 'tails'!</p>
3:05pm- 3:15pm	<p>Ask The Archaeologist: Questions and Discussion with the Audience/ RAFFLE Program End</p>