ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGY MONTH March 2016

Please call to confirm dates & times. All are open to the public and free unless otherwise noted. Registration may be required.

Arkadelphia

Ovachita Baptist University/Riley-Hickingbotham Library 410 Ouachita St., Arkadelphia, 870-245-5332 or 870-245-5119 March 1-31, Library Hours

Exhibit: Historical Archeology: Pieces of the Past

Dozens of artifacts from the Historic Era will be displayed featuring 19th Century pottery discovered in Arkansas, particularly in the Ouachita Mountains area.

<u>Blytheville</u>

Delta Gateway Museum

210 W. Main, Blytheville, 870-824-2346

March 5, 1-3pm

Program: Artifact ID Day

Artifact identification for the public by experienced archeologists with the Arkansas Archeological Survey. *Note:* No appraisals.

University of Arkansas Environmental Dynamics

Dept./Arkansas Archeological Survey

Manley-Usrey Site, Blytheville, 870-278-3670

March 21-25, 8am-5pm daily

Program: Excavations at the Manley-Usrey Site

Michelle Rathgaber, graduate student, U of A Environmental Dynamics, will be excavating the Manley-Usrey site in Blytheville for her dissertation work. Excavations will focus on structure that was covered by a sand blow caused by an earthquake. mmrathga@uark.edu

<u>Cabot</u>

Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAPB Station/Cabot Public Library

909 West Main St., Cabot, 855-572-6657

March 5, 9am-1pm

Program: Artifact Identification and Pottery Exhibit

Archeologists from the Survey's UAPB research station will be on hand to answer questions and identify prehistoric and historic artifacts. There will also be a display of ceramics representing nearly 2,600 years of Native American pottery making.

Columbus

Rick Evans Grandview Prairie Conservation Education Center 1685 Hempstead 35 N. Columbus, 870-983-2790

March 21-25, 10am-2pm daily

Program: Archeology on the Prairie

There will be a full week of programs and activities during spring break about the lives of the Caddo Indians and other outdoor adventures. Free but you must register. www.grandviewprairiecec.com or call for more information and to register.

<u>Conway</u>

University of Central Arkansas

Faulkner County Museum, 801 Locust St., Conway, 501-329-5918 March 5, 10am-2pm

Program: Archeology Artifact ID and Activity Day

Numerous activities will be offered including artifact ID, atlatl and blow dart throwing, flintknapping, museum open house, and Dr. Duncan McKinnon will present a lecture on archeological ethics.

Fayetteville

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

University of Arkansas Global Campus, 2 East Center St., Fayetteville, 479-575-4545

March 2, 1-3pm

Program: History and Archeology at Historic Washington
State Park

Dr. Jamie Brandon will conduct a 2-hour class on Historic Washington. Established in 1824, the town of Washington today is one of America's premier historic villages. Dr. Brandon has conducted over 10 years of archeological excavations at Washington and will offer many personal insights. Fee: \$15-\$30 (depending on membership)

Ko-ko-ci Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Fayetteville Public Library, 401 W. Mountain St., Walker Community Rm., Fayetteville, 479-283-5720 or 479-856-7000

March 8, 6-7:30pm

Program: Interaction and the Evolution of Complex Civilizations in Mesoamerica

Special guest speaker Dr. Wesley D. Stoner will talk about archeological sites in central Mexico.

University of Arkansas Museum Collections

2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720 March 17, 7-8:30pm

Program: UA Museum Collections Tour

The collections room will be open for a rare opportunity for the general public to tour the vast museum collections.

Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAF Station

Held at the Survey Station, 2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720

March 26, 11:30am-2pm

Program: The 3rd Annual Celebrate Archeology Day!

Survey archeologists will demonstrate atlatl and other tools and weapons replicas, prehistoric musical instruments, basketry, weaving, flintknapping, conduct Artifact ID and have other demonstrations on Arkansas archeology. *Note:* No appraisals.

Fort Smith

Ark-Homa Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society
University of Arkansas — Fort Smith, Math-Science Building, Room 202,
479-788-7812

March 17, 7pm

Program: The Archeology of Van Winkle's Mill in the Arkansas Ozarks

Dr. Jamie Brandon, Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAF, will outline the 13 years of archeological work at the site of the 19th Century sawmill community known as Van Winkle's Mill.

Hot Springs

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March 1-31, Library Hours

Exhibit: Celebrating Archeology in Garland County

Garland County Library, 1427 Malvern Ave., Hot Springs, 501-623-4161 A special exhibit will be set up inside the front door of the library and a free-standing mural on Caddo mound sites will be displayed.

Lake Catherine State Park

1200 Catherine Park Rd., Hot Springs, 501-844-4205

March 5, 12 & 19, 7:30-8:30pm

Program: Novaculite: Prized by Humans for Centuries

Novaculite and its promise of a better life, which helped draw people to the Ouachita Mountains, will be presented.

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Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts, 200 Whittington Ave., Hot Springs, 870-230-5463

March 8, 7pm

Program: Recent Investigations at Breckenridge Shelter in Northwest Arkansas

Jerry Hilliard, Arkansas Archeological Survey, will present the recent excavations at the shelter that resulted in the discovery of various archeological features dating to around 7,800 B.C., the earliest date thus far discovered for human habitation in Arkansas.

Arkansas Archeological Survey, HSU Station/Oaklawn Center on Aging

210 Woodbine St., Hot Springs, 501-624-0838

March 8-13, 1-3pm daily

Program: Oaklawn Center on Aging Archeology Workshop

A hands on workshop focusing on the archeology of the region and the different types of artifacts being recovered.

Jonesboro

Central Mississippi Valley Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Arkansas State University Museum, Room 182, Jonesboro, 870-972-2071

March 17, 6-8pm

Program: Much Older Than We Thought: Potential for Pre-Clovis Occupation in Arkansas

Dr. Julie Morrow, Arkansas Archeological Survey, will present a 1-hour lecture on details about the oldest known society in Arkansas, the Clovis Culture.

Arkansas State Museum/Arkansas Archeological Survey, ASU Station

320 University Loop, Jonesboro, 870-972-2474

March 19, 10am-12pm

Program: Celebrate Arkansas Archeology Activities

Archeology themed hands-on activities and an interactive artifact tour will be presented. Also, Artifact ID will be held. The public is encouraged to bring artifacts to be identified and aged by professional archeologists. *Note:* No appraisals.

Little Rock

Pinnacle Mountain State Park

11901 Pinnacle Valley Rd., Little Rock, Visitor Center, 501-868-5806 March 26

Program: Trail of Tears - 10-11am

Discover the history of the Trail of Tears in Arkansas and how this important event shaped the area we live in today.

Program: Flintknapping Demonstration - 1-2:30pm

The basics of flintknapping will be demonstrated. Try your hand at flintknapping an arrowhead to take home.

Program: Indian Tool Chest - 3:30-4:30pm

Learn about some of the tools and equipment that Native Americans would use in their everyday lives.

Malvern

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March 12, 10am.

Tour: Walking Tour of Spanish Diggings Novaculite Quarry
Meet at Williams Grocery, 22214 AR 51, Malvern near Magnet Cove near

High School. Meeks Etchieson will lead a walking tour of world class prehistoric novaculite quarry. Email OuachitaChapter@gmail.com for more information.

Marshall

Searcy County Historical Society

First Christian Church, Hwy US 65 N, Marshall, 479-442-3691 or 501-448-3458

March 18, 7pm

Program: Archeology of Ozark Bluff Shelters

James J. Johnston will give a slide talk about the Bluff Shelters of the Ozarks

Monticello

Fred J. Taylor Library, University of Arkansas at Monticello 514 University Dr., Monticello, 870-460-1080 or 870-460-1581

March 1-31, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-4:30pm, and Sun. 2-10pm
Exhibit: From Caffe Latte to Catholic Mass: The Archeology

of Camp Monticello, an Italian World War II PoW Camp

The Arkansas Archeological Survey-UAM has prepared an exhibit on Camp Monticello, an Italian WW II prisoner of war camp. The exhibit will provide insight into the everyday routines of the prisoners of war.

Tunican Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society
March 1, 6:30pm

Program: Music Archeology in Arkansas: A Look at Music Artifacts and Music Related Iconography from the Region

UAM, 110 University Ct., Monticello, Forest Resources Conference Rm., 870-460-1290. Mr. Jim Rees, Arkansas Archeological Society, will take a look at two of the most significant music artifacts that have been found in Arkansas.

March 14, 6-7:30pm

Program: Lab Night: Historic Bottles Workshop

UAM, 580 University Dr., Monticello, Visual & Performing Arts Bldg., Rm 117, 870-460-1090. The Arkansas Archeological Survey - UAM will provide a hands-on workshop where participants will learn about makers' marks and how to date bottles.

Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAM Station/Tunican Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Hwy 138 about 25 miles east of Monticello, West of Winchester, 870-460-1290

March 21-26, 9am-4pm daily

Program: Taylor House Spring Dig!

The 2016 Spring Dig will be conducted at the Taylor House (1845), aka: Hollywood Plantation, and focus on the smokehouse and other outbuildings. Volunteers and visitors are welcome.

University of Arkansas Div. of Agriculture's Desha County 4-H Hollywood Plantation, Hwy 138 between Winchester and Monticello, 870-224-5478

March 24, 9am-3pm

Program: Quad Day Field Experience

Families are invited to learn about historic and prehistoric lifestyles, cooking, and the role archeology plays in learning about our past. The one-day program is open to all, 4-H or non-4-H individuals.

Parkin

Parkin Archeological State Park

60 Hwy 184N, Parkin, Visitor Center, 870-755-2500

March 12, 1-4pm

Program: Artifact and Fossil ID Day

Parkin Station Archeologist, Dr. Jeff Mitchem, will be on hand to identify items in your artifact collection. *Note:* No appraisals.

March 24-26, 10am-3pm daily

Program: Archeology for Everyone

Bring the family to participate in a mock excavation, learn how archeological investigations really happen, and clean real artifacts. Pack a lunch. Free but registration is recommended.

Petit Jean Mountain

Arkansas Archeological Survey Station, WRI Station

1 Rockefeller Dr., Morrilton on Petit Jean Mountain, Teaching Barn, 501-727-6250

March 19, 10am-3pm

Program: WRI Station Open House

There will be archeology related activities including spear throwing with atlatls, flintknapping, make-your-own rock art, cordage and ceramic design activity. Artifacts will be on display for hands-on learning.

Pine Bluff

Pine Bluff/Jefferson County Historical Museum

201 East 4^{th} Ave., Old Train Station, Pine Bluff, 870-541-5402 or 870-535-4509

March 10, 6pm

Program: What's New in Archeology in Southeast Arkansas

Dr. John House, Arkansas Archeological Survey, will highlight recent developments in archeology in southeast Arkansas.

Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAPB Station/AGFC Delta Rivers Nature Center

1400 Black Dog Road-Regional Park, Pine Bluff, 870-534-0011

March 12, 11am-4pm

Program: Artifact Identification Day

Archeologists from the Survey's UAPB research station will be on hand to answer questions and identify prehistoric and historic artifacts. *Note:* No appraisals.

Pocahontas

Davidsonville Historic State Park

8047 Hwy 166 S, Pocahontas 870-892-4708

March 19, 10am-2pm

Program: Archeology Day

There will be guided tours of the historic town site, mock digs for the kids, and Davidsonville artifacts on display.

Russellville

Arkansas Tech Anthropology Club

Arkansas Tech Bell Tower, Russellville, 501-413-7478

March 3, 11am-2pm

Program: Arkansas Tech Anthropology Club Archeology Day

Local artifacts will be on display and there will be activities for including bracelet making, Native American games, and more.

Lake Dardanelle State Park

100 State Park Dr., Park Amphitheater, "D" Camping Loop, Russellville, 479-890-7477

March 12, 7pm

Program: Trail of Tears Video

The Trail of Tears video will be shown. See the history behind removal and discuss the Trail of Tears in this area.

March 22, 12pm

Program: Pioneer Play

Games played by pioneer children will be discussed and demonstrated at the Visitor Center.

Scott

University of Arkansas Little Rock/ARASTM/Toltec Mounds State Park

Toltec Mounds State Park, 490 Toltec Rd., Scott, 501-961-9442 or 501-569-8322, email ehorton Quark.edu or kxlewis Qualr.edu

March 12, 12-4pm

Program: Archeolympics!

Archeological themed Olympic-style games at the Toltec Mounds State Park. Teams will compete in events including atlatl/spear throwing, archeology unit setup, tool making and use and more.

Toltec Mounds Archeological State Park

490 Toltec Mounds Rd., Scott, 501-961-9442

March 19

Program: Artifact ID Day - 4-5pm

Bring your prehistoric artifacts to the park so that archeologist, Dr. Elizabeth Horton, can try to unveil the mysteries they may hold.

Program: Spring Equinox Celebration - 4-7:30pm

Visit this prehistoric mound site to celebrate the spring equinox with interpreter led programs, an archeological speaker, a tour, and a chance to watch the sunset over Mound A.

Fee: \$4 adult, \$3 kids (ages 6-12) Under 6 free.

March 21-25

Program: Arkansas Spring Break Week

Various Native American and archeology programming will be held throughout the week. Call for schedule.

Statewide

University of Arkansas Press

www.uapress.com or 479-575-7258

March 1-31

Sale: Archeological Book Sale!

To help celebrate Arkansas Archeology Month, the U of A Press is offering seven outstanding books for 25% off in the month of March. Enter code ARKARCH at checkout on www.uapress.com or mention the code when you call 800-621-2736.

Texarkana

Texarkana Museums System — Museum of Regional History 219 N. State Line Ave., Texarkana, TX, 903-793-4831

March 1-June 1, Tues.-Sat., 11am-5pm

Exhibit: Caddo Pottery of Miller-Bowie Counties

This Caddo Pottery display features the exquisite pottery uncovered in the Texarkana area and explores the use of local materials. *Fee:* \$5/person.

Wilson

Hampson Archeological Museum State Park

2 Lake Dr., Wilson, 870-655-8622

March 23, 2-3pm

Program: Swim, Swim, Swim

Animals that played an important role in the survival of Native Americans throughout history will be discussed.

March 24, 2-3pm

Program: Piecing Together History

Become a Junior Archeologist by helping us piece the past back together.

March 25, 2-3pm

Program: Native Games

Prehistoric Native Americans played games for fun, practice, and training. Participate in an hour of fun learning and playing Native games.

March 26, 2-3pm

Program: Dr. Dig It!

Join Dr. Dig It at the museum on a mock dig to discover the methods of archeology and recover the stories of the ancient people from Nodena!

Information:

Late additions to the Events Brochure, as well as information and activity ideas, can be found on the Arkansas Archeological Survey's web site:

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