

ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGY MONTH March 2019

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

Batesville

Old Independence Regional Museum

380 South 9th St., Batesville, 870-793-2121

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays during March

Programs: A-Maize-ing and In A Pinch

A-Maize-ing, a discussion on the use of corn with activity, and In A Pinch, a discussion and making pinch pots. Fee: \$3 and \$2 in addition to tour. Call to book time.

Blytheville

Delta Gateway Museum

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

March 23, 1-3pm

Program: Artifact ID Day

Arkansas Archeological Survey experts will be on hand to identify artifacts for the general public. *Note:* No appraisals.

Columbus

Rick Evans Grandview Prairie Conservation Education Center

1685 CR 35N, Columbus, 870-983-2790

March 18-22, 10am-2pm

Program: Archeology on the Prairie

A full week of programs and activities about the lives of the Caddo Indians and other outdoor adventures. Free but you must register. Call 870-983-2790 for more information.

Conway

Faulkner County Museum

801 Locust Ave., Conway, 501-329-5918

March 1-31, 9am-4pm, Monday through Thursday

Exhibit: Bits & Pieces: A View of Faulkner County History and Archeology

A story of Faulkner County's prehistory and history, spanning some 10,000 years, as told through artifacts from four archeological collections held at the museum.

University of Central Arkansas

McCastlain Hall Ballroom, UCA, 201 Donaghey Ave., Conway, 501-450-5477

March 22-23, all day, both days

Conference: Caddo Archeology Conference

Papers are presented on Caddo archeology and culture. Caddo artisans discuss their art as identity and heritage in a special symposium. Dancers and singers from the Caddo Nation share traditional dances and songs. See caddoconference.org for specific details. *Fee:* \$20

Fairfield Bay

Fairfield Bay Community Education Center

331 Snead Dr., Fairfield Bay, Indian Hills Club, 501-884-4440

March 6, 11:30am-1:30pm

Program: Fairfield Bay's Indian Rock Cave – Myths and Misconceptions Updated!

Dr. Catherine Swift will relate information about the Edgemont Shelter. In addition to the 11 documented petroglyphs, Dr. Swift will share legends and stories about the site and its artifacts.

Fayetteville

Ko-ko-ci Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Washington County Cooperative Extension Office, 2536 N. McConnell Ave., Fayetteville, 479-283-5720

March 13, 7-8:30pm

Program: Archeological Perspectives on Adapting to Climate Change: Two Examples From Ancient Peru

Special guest speaker, Dr. Ben Vining, Professor, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, will present a talk on climate change and ancient Peru. Refreshments served.

Arkansas Archeological Survey, UAF – Research Station

2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720

March 30, 11:30am-2pm

Program: The 6th Annual Celebrate Archeology Day!

Survey archeologists will demonstrate spear throwing, tools and weapon replicas, weaving, flintknapping, conduct Artifact ID and other demonstrations on Arkansas archeology. Pizza provided by Mojo's Pints and Pies. *Note:* No appraisals.

University of Arkansas Museum Collections

2475 N. Hatch Ave., Fayetteville, 479-575-3556 or 479-283-5720

March 30, 11:30am-2pm

Program: UA Museum Collections Open House & Tour

The collections room will be open for a rare opportunity for the general public to tour the vast museum collections. This event will happen in conjunction with the Celebrate Archeology Day event!

Fort Smith

Ark-Homa Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

University of Arkansas – Fort Smith, 504 N. Waldron Rd., Echols Conference Center. 479-788-7812

March 14, 7pm

Program: Paleoindians and Their Descendants in Arkansas

Dr. Julie Morrow, Arkansas Archeological Survey – ASU Research Station, will present a talk on Paleoindians and their descendants in Arkansas.

Helena

Delta Cultural Center

141 Cherry St., Helena, Visitors' Center grounds, 870-338-4350

March 2, 10am-3pm

Program: Territorial Days

Outdoor events include arts and crafts, living history re-creations, music, traditional games, dancing, shooting of period firearms and re-enactors.

Hot Springs

Lake Catherine State Park

1200 Catherine Park Rd., Hot Springs, Amphitheater, 501-844-4176

March 9, 7-7:45pm

Program: Novaculite: Prized By Man for Centuries

This talk will cover novaculite. Millions of years in the making, this unique resource is found within the Ouachita Mountains.

March 16, 7:15-8pm

Program: Voyage of Discovery: The Hunter & Dunbar Expedition of the Ouachita Valley

Come hear the story of the first U. S. presidential authorized expedition into the "Valley of the Vapors."

March 23, 7:30-8pm

Program: Unexpected Help

A little-known group of workers contributed to Lake Catherine State Park during World War II. Come hear their story.

Ouachita Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Fordyce Room, National Park Medical Center, 1910 Malvern Ave., Hot Springs, 870-230-5510

March 12, 7pm

Program: Talk on Arkansas Archeology

The monthly meeting of the Ouachita Chapter will include a featured speaker presenting a talk on archeology. For more information email OuachitaChapter@gmail.com.

Jacksonville

Esther D. Nixon Public Library/AR Archeological Survey – UAPB Research Station

703 W. Main St., Jacksonville, 501-457-5038

March 23, 2-4pm

Program: 11,000 Years of Native American History in Pulaski County

Dr. John House, Arkansas Archeological Survey (retired), will discuss the artifacts from the Mike Wilson collection displayed in the lobby of the Library.

Jonesboro

Central Mississippi Valley Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

Arkansas State University Museum, 320 University Loop West, Jonesboro, 870-972-2071

March 2, 10am-2pm

Program: Artifact Identification Day

Arkansas Archeological Survey archeologists will be available to identify artifacts for the general public. *Note:* No appraisals.

March 7, 7-8pm

Program: Stone, Shell, Copper and Clay: Caddo Mississippian Interaction and Exchange Investigations

Mary Beth Trubitt, Arkansas Archeological Survey – HSU Research Station, will discuss Caddo Mississippian interaction and exchange as demonstrated through artifacts.

Little Rock

Old State House Museum

300 W. Markham, Little Rock, 501-324-8643

March 14, Noon

Program: Davidsonville, Arkansas: Frontier Outpost or Mercantile Powerhouse?

Kathy Cande, Arkansas Archeological Survey, will speak about the results of an archival records search for the first county seat town in Arkansas. Bring your own lunch. Drinks provided by the museum.

Preserve Arkansas

200 E. 3rd St., Little Rock, 501-372-4757

March 29, 5:30-9:30pm and **March 30**, 8:30am-12:30pm

Program: Behind the Big House

This two-day workshop includes live historical interpretations, hands-on activities, food, and lectures by historians and archeologists to highlight the important contributions African Americans made to Arkansas's history and foodways.

Magnolia

Arkansas Archeological Survey – SAU Research Station

Southern Arkansas University, 100 E. University, Bruce Center on Campus, Room 103, 1st Floor, Magnolia, 870-235-4229

March 9, 8am-5pm

Program: Lab Day

Anyone interested in learning archeological laboratory procedures is welcome to come by the SAU Research Station and help staff inventory artifacts. No experience necessary.

Red River Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

100 E. University St., Room 205, Magnolia Rm. of Reynolds, SAU, Magnolia, 870-235-4229

March 12, 7pm

Program: Crenshaw Mounds Talk

Long-time Arkansas Archeological Society volunteer, David Jeane, will be speaking about the history and archeology of Crenshaw Mounds in Southwest Arkansas.

Marshall

Searcy County Historical Society

First Christian Church, Hwy. US 65 N, next to Simmons Bank, 479-442-3691

March 29, 7pm

Program: Experimental Archeology: Prehistoric Tools and Weapons

Jared Pebworth and Mike Evans, Arkansas Archeological Survey – UAF Research Station, will provide a demonstration of use and manufacture of prehistoric tools and weapons.

McGehee

McGehee Desha Alumni Community Center

500 South 1st St., McGehee, 870-222-300

March 11, 3:30-5pm

Program: The Archeology of Enslaved Life

Dr. Jodi Barnes, Arkansas Archeological Survey – UAM Research Station, will instruct participants on conducting investigations of a slave cabin through maps, artifacts, etc. to learn about the lives of the enslaved people at Thomas Jefferson's Virginia home, Poplar Forest.

Monticello

Tunican Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society

UAM School of Forestry, Natural Resources and Agriculture conference room, 870-460-1290.

March 5, 6:30pm

Program: Arkansas's First Farmers

Dr. Elizabeth Horton, Arkansas Archeological Survey — Toltec Mounds Research Station, will discuss the locally available starchy and oily seeds native people domesticated long before Europeans arrived in Arkansas.

Philanthropic Education Organization

Southeast Arkansas Regional Library, 114 W. Jefferson Ave., Monticello, 870-460-1290

March 18, 9:30am

Program: Archeology of Foodways in Southeast Arkansas

Dr. Jodi Barnes, Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAM Research Station, will talk about what archeology tells us about food and diets by looking at American Indian sites, historic plantations, and World War II internment camps.

Morrilton

Arkansas Archeological Survey — WRI Research Station

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

March 9, 10am-3pm

Program: WRI Survey Station Open House

The Arkansas Archeological Survey — WRI Research Station will hold an open house with archeology related activities like spear throwing, making cordage, a ceramic design activity, and artifact displays.

Parkin

Parkin Archeological State Park

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

March 9, 1-4pm

Program: Artifact and Fossil ID Day

Dr. Jeff Mitchem, Arkansas Archeological Survey — Parkin Research Station, will be on hand to identify items in your artifact and fossil collections. *Note:* No appraisals.

March 21-23, 10am-2pm daily

Program: Archeology for Everyone

Park interpreters will be leading several family friendly programs related to archeology. Reservations required.

Pine Bluff

Arts & Science Center for Southeast Arkansas

701 S. Main St., Pine Bluff, 870-536-3375

March 9, 1-3pm

Program: Family FunDay

Visitors can explore the archeological history of the region, learn about indigenous pottery traditions, and make their own clay pot using hand-building techniques. A family-friendly event.

Delta Rivers Nature Center/Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAPB Research Station

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

March 16, 11am-4pm

Program: Artifact Identification Day

Arkansas Archeological Survey — UAPB Research Station archeologists will be on hand to answer questions and identify prehistoric and historic artifacts. *Note:* No appraisals.

Pocahontas

Davidsonville Historic State Park

8047 Hwy 166 South, Pocahontas, 870-892-4708

March 2, 9am-4pm

Program: Territorial Arkansas Living History Festival

See living history reenactors bring the town of Davidsonville back to life for a day and participate in a variety of historic crafts and activities. Funded in part by a grant from the Arkansas Humanities Council.

Prescott

Prairie D'Ane Battlefield

2243 Hwy 19, Prescott, 870-235-4229

March 2, Beginning at noon

Program: Artifacts Found on the Battlefield

The Arkansas Archeological Survey — SAU Research Station will have a booth during the 155th Anniversary Re-Enactment of the Battle of Prairie D'Ane. There will be artifacts on display that were found on the battlefield.

Russellville

Lake Dardanelle State Park

100 State Park Dr., Visitor Center, Russellville, 479-890-7477

March 16, 11:30am-12:30pm

Program: Pioneer Play

Take a step back in time and discover what pioneer kids did to pass the time. All ages welcome!

March 21, 12-1pm

Program: Native American Games

Learn some of the games Native Americans developed, played, and perfected. All ages welcome!

Scott

Toltec Mounds Archeological State Park

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

March 2, 7pm

Program: Star Gazing

See the basic spring constellations and hear Native American stories while you explore the site. *Fee:* \$4 adults, \$3 kids ages 6-12, under 6 free.

March 18-22, Various times throughout the week

Program: Arkansas Spring Break Week Activities

Toltec Mounds Archeological State Park will offer various Native American and archeology programming throughout the week. Call 501-961-9442 for details and fees.

March 23, 5-7:30pm

Program: Spring Equinox Celebration: Arkansas Archeology Month

Celebrate the spring equinox alignment of the mounds with small programs, a tour, and a chance to watch the sunset over Mound A. *Fee:* \$4 adult, \$3 kids ages 6-12, under 6 free.

Arkansas Archeological Survey — Toltec Mounds Research Station/Central Arkansas Chapter of the AR Archeological Society

490 Toltec Mounds Rd., Scott, 501-961-2420

March 16, 9am-12pm

Program: Lab Day!

Join members of the Central Arkansas Chapter of the AAS to assist the Survey Research Station in inventorying the artifact collections.

Statewide

University of Arkansas Press

www.uapress.com or 1-800-621-2736

March 1-31

Sale: Book Sale

The UA Press is offering 40% off "Sloan: A Paleoindian Dalton Cemetery in Arkansas" by Dan F. Morse. The retail price is \$29.95. Customers should use the code ARKARCH19 to get the book for \$17.97.

<https://www.uapress.com/product/sloan/>

Wilson

Hampson Archeological Museum State Park

33 Park Ave., Wilson, 870-655-8622

March 2, 2-4pm

Program: Piecing Together History

American Indians left behind their stories in many ways; become a junior archeologist by helping to piece the past back together.

March 9, 2-4pm

Program: Shoebox Archeology

American Indians left hidden treasures throughout the area. Dig or sift through the dirt and then create one of their treasures. *Fee:* \$5

March 16, 2-4pm

Program: Rockin' Art

There are so many ways of expressing yourself through art nowadays, but did you know American Indians also used art to express themselves? *Fee:* \$5

March 23, 1-4pm

Program: Artifact Identification Day

Dr. Julie Morrow, Arkansas Archeological Survey — ASU Research Station, will tell you about your artifacts, fossils, and minerals.

Note: No appraisals.

March 30, 2-4pm

Program: Creative Pottery

Come join us as we learn the Native American way of creating pottery and decorate a vessel to take home. *Fee:* \$6

Information:

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

<http://archeology.uark.edu/learn-discover/archeology-month/>

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