

Join the Missouri Archaeological Society for our Annual Meeting on March 14–16 at the Oasis Hotel in Springfield.

2025

Annual Meeting



WELCOME RECEPTION

Join us in our Hospitality Room for an informal Friday evening reception hosted by the Ozarks and Pomme de Terre chapters with beverages, hors d'oeuvres, and plenty of socializing.

PRESENTATIONS AND EXHIBITS

We have a great lineup of speaking and poster presentations, see Page 3 for details.

Attendees and chapters are encouraged to bring artifact displays and exhibits. Exhibit topics might include artifacts, research presentations, posters, etc. Table space is also available at no charge for those who might have books, reproductions, or other items to display or sell.

PUBLICATIONS AND APPAREL SALE AND SILENT AUCTION

MAS publications and apparel will be available. Other booksellers will also be present.

Books, collectibles, and other items will be available at the silent auction. Please contact the MAS office if you would like to donate items for the auction. Donations are tax deductible. Silent Auction proceeds support Missouri Archaeology Month activities such as the poster and Fall Symposium.

WORKSHOP

We are pleased to offer an Artifact Identification Workshop on Saturday afternoon. See Page 2 for details.

BANQUET AND KOCH LECTURE

The Saturday banquet dinner will be a choice of Chicken Marsala or Bistro Beef Medallions (beef with mushroom and bacon ragout). Each entree will be served with a salad, starch, and vegetable as well as dessert, tea, and coffee. The price for chicken is \$32/plate and \$43 for beef (this price includes a mandatory gratuity of 24% that is added by the venue). A vegetarian option will also be available (\$32).

The 2025 Koch Lecturer is Dr. David Benn who will present *Geoglyph Cosmograms in Native American Mythology of the Northern Plains*. You do not have to purchase a banquet ticket in order to attend this presentation. We will also have door prizes to give away at the banquet. Details on Page 3.

SUNDAY FIELD TRIP

We will take a field trip to The History Museum on the Square. Details on Page 3.

WAIVE YOUR REGISTRATION FEE

Volunteering only requires around one or two hours of your time and volunteers get to waive their registration fee. See the registration form on Page 4 for opportunities.

Venue

The meeting will be at the elegantly renovated Oasis Hotel and Convention Center. Special room rates for a double deluxe or courtyard king room will be \$114/night plus tax. This rate includes a free hot breakfast buffet. Hotel amenities include an indoor saltwater swimming pool, fitness room, and an onsite restaurant and ice bar. Room amenities include flat-screen TVs, cable, mini refrigerators, and wireless internet.

A block of 50 rooms will be held for our attendees at the reduced rate. Book by February 21 to receive the reduced rate. The hotel has several concurrent events, so availability beyond that room block may be limited.

Reservations may be made by calling the front desk at **417-866-5253**; ask for the Missouri Archaeological Society room block. Be sure to speak with front desk staff and not the reservation call center because they do not have access to our group rates. Rooms may be booked online via the following link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/WR21V2A>



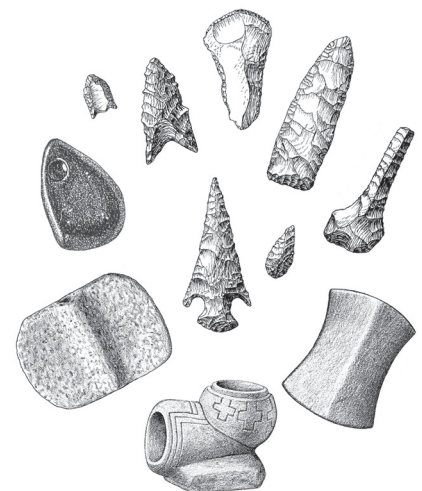
Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone
Springfield, Missouri 65803

Artifact Identification Workshop

Do you have precontact and postcontact artifacts that you have always wanted to know more about?

Bring them to this workshop for identification by professional archaeologists.

Please note, this workshop is for identification purposes only and not to provide economic valuation.



-Presentations-

Bannerstones from Northeast Missouri—Candace Sall (Museum of Anthropology, University of Missouri) and David Easterla (Northwest Missouri State University, Emeritus)

History of the Archaeological Survey and the Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis—Joe Harl (Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis)

Reconstructing the Illinois State Penitentiary at Alton, Illinois, 1833–1860—Don Booth (SCI Engineering, Inc.)

Musical Instruments and Missouri Archaeology—Michael Fuller (St. Louis Community College)

Characterizing Ozark Chert Resources Using Reflectance Spectroscopy for Sourcing Stone Artifacts—Ryan M. Parish (Department of Earth Sciences, University of Memphis) and Simon Sherman III (Department of Anthropology, Washington University)

The Missouri Archaeological Society: Its First 90 Years—Bob Reeder (President, MAS)

Reassessing the Role of Burlington Chert in the Poverty Point Lithic Exchange Network—Simon P. Sherman (Washington University)

The Jordan Undercover: Daylighting Centuries of History—Jennifer Rideout, Kevin Cupka Head, and Christopher Bodine (Center for Archaeological Research, Missouri State University)

Plus more to be announced.

-Poster Presentations-

Conservation of the Gravestone of H. A. White—Madison Baker (Missouri State University)

Conservation of a Bound Volume of Harper's Bazaar Magazine—Riley Blair (Missouri State University)

Conservation of a Haudenosaunee Wall Pocket 'Whimsy'—Cassidy Hale (Missouri State University)

Conservation of Early Twentieth-Century Toy Wooden and Cane Chairs—Malena Hemenway (Missouri State University)

Conservation of a Large Hertwig China Doll—McKenna O'Connor (Missouri State University)

Conservation of a La Malinche dance mask—Melia Richardson (Missouri State University)

Conservation of Nineteenth to Mid-Twentieth-Century Marbles—Zane Wigton (Missouri State University)

-Koch Lecture-

Geoglyph Cosmograms in Native American Mythology of the Northern Plains—David Benn

Geoglyphs at three Middle-Late Woodland and Oneota sites (13WD130, 23WD134, 39LN108) in northwestern Iowa and adjacent South Dakota take the form of anthropomorphs, turtles, bison, and thunderers that are similar to petroglyphs at Pipestone Monument in southern Minnesota. Evidence indicates the geoglyphs were cosmograms where vision quests and other life-renewal rituals were conducted. The cosmograms and ritual evidence are compared to ethnographic descriptions of Lakota tribal myths to reveal possible symbolism. The sites are hypothesized to have once been part of "sacred" localities where multiple ritual sites fitted a structured mythological landscape. In this narrative, archaeological investigation penetrates two levels of inquiry: the sacred geography of place and legendary archetypes of mythology.

-Sunday Field Trip-

Join us for a tour of the History Museum on the Square. Journey through eight interactive galleries to see how Springfield, Missouri and its region shaped American history. Each gallery brings unique stories to life through world-class exhibits. A rich and vast collection of artifacts, photographs, and "voices of history" are combined. Exhibits include "Native Crossroads at the Spring," "Pioneers and Founders at the Crossroads," "Wild Bill Hickock and the American West," plus more.

Please include the name and affiliation (chapter, institution, etc.) of each person who is being registered on this form. This information is used for name tags.

Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Additional Registrants:

Name: _____ Name: _____

Affiliation: _____ Affiliation: _____

Name: _____ Name: _____

Affiliation: _____ Affiliation: _____

★ Number of Registrants: _____ registration(s) x \$25 = \$ _____
 _____ student registration(s) x \$15 = \$ _____

Volunteer? If you volunteer, you may waive your registration fee!

When (please circle): (Friday evening, Saturday daytime)

Which activity (please circle): silent auction, book sales, hospitality suite, registration table, timekeeping

★ Number attending Friday Evening Reception: _____ (no cost)

★ Number attending Artifact Identification Workshop: _____ (no cost)

★ Banquet:

Bistro Steak Medallions _____ ticket(s) x \$43= \$ _____
 Chicken Marsala _____ ticket(s) x \$32= \$ _____
 Vegetarian/Other Dietary _____ ticket(s) x \$32= \$ _____

If you want to attend the banquet, please register by **March 10!**

★ Number attending Sunday Field Trip to The History Museum on the Square (11 a.m.):
 _____ ticket(s) x \$13= \$ _____

★ Exhibit/Display? yes/no How many tables will you need? _____ (no cost)

Exhibit Title/Topic: _____

Total Amount Due: \$

If you would like e-mail confirmation of your registration, please check here:

e-mail address: _____

Mail this form and payment to: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897

Please make check or money order payable to the MAS, or pay with Paypal to lhaney@missouristate.edu

Registration may also be completed in our online shop: missouriarchaeologicalsociety.org