

A Passion for Preserving the Past: Showcasing Archaeology at La Sierra University

Presentation Topics

La Sierra University has been actively engaged in the archaeology of the Middle East for several decades. Archaeology Discovery Weekend 2020 will focus on various projects and programs now under the umbrella of the Center for Near Eastern Archaeology (CNEA). Brief presentations included in our online-only, three-hour event, along with interactive Q&A, will focus on our four excavation projects in Jordan exploring ancient Ammonites and Moabites, coins in the CNEA collection, the latest technology we are using, virtual tours of CNEA and a new museum project in Madaba, Jordan, and the proposed new La Sierra University museum.

Online Event

November 14, 2020
3:00 - 6:00 P.M. (PST)

Find out more at
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In Memoriam — Norma Kershaw (1924-2020)

We proudly dedicate this Archaeology Discovery Weekend to Norma Kershaw, a long-time friend and supporter of CNEA. We will miss her intrepid passion to preserve the past, her generosity of spirit, her regular attendance at ADW.

2020 Archaeology Discovery Weekend

PRESENTERS

(Arranged Alphabetically)

Dawn Acevedo, MA candidate (La Sierra University), is Curatorial Assistant at CNEA. Her interest in “tholoi,” circular, pillared stone monuments apparent from the Early Bronze Age through modern times, has taken shape in her MA thesis.

Kent Bramlett, PhD (University of Toronto), is professor of Archaeology and the History of Antiquity in the HMS Richards Divinity School at La Sierra University. He is also Associate Director of CNEA and Curator and co-directs the Balu`a Regional Archaeological Project (BRAP).

Douglas Clark, PhD (Vanderbilt University), is Director of CNEA at La Sierra University. Having worked in Jordan for nearly 50 years, he is Director of the Madaba Plains Project excavations at Tall al-`Umayri and Co-director of the Madaba Regional Archaeological Museum Project.

Lawrence Geraty, PhD (Harvard University), is President Emeritus of La Sierra University and Executive Director of the University Foundation. He also serves as the Associate Director of CNEA in charge of advancement. His 50+ years of archaeological work in the Middle East gives him a long-term view of the field.

Larry Herr, PhD (Harvard University), is Professor Emeritus at Burman University in central Alberta, Canada. He has spent half a century doing archaeological research mostly in Jordan and was Co-director of the Madaba Plains Project excavations at `Umayri until retirement.

Chang Ho Ji, PhD (Andrews University and University of California, Riverside), is Dean of the School of Education and has done archaeological fieldwork in various parts of Jordan, most recently at the intriguing religious site of Ataruz.

Friedbert Ninow, PhD (Andrews University), is Dean of the HMS Richards Divinity School and long-time Director of the excavations at Balu`a, a responsibility he now shares with Kent Bramlett and Monique Vincent. He is Associate Director of CNEA, representing Balu`a.

Theresa Shaw, JD (Whittier College School of Law), practiced law for 24 years in Claremont, CA, but retirement bought her time to volunteer in the CNEA Collections Lab where she has researched a wide variety of artifacts, focusing extensively on the 1,100 coins in the collection.

Monique Vincent, PhD (University of Chicago), is Assistant Professor of History at Walla Walla University and Publications Manager for CNEA’s MPP seasonal volumes and *La Sierra Digs*. She is Co-Director of the Balu`a Regional Archaeological Project (BRAP).

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- The entire program will be recorded and made available after the event.

2020 Archaeology Discovery Weekend PROGRAM

Saturday, November 14

3:00-6:00 PM (PST) – Illustrated Presentations with Q&A

WELCOME to La Sierra University and Archaeology Discovery Weekend La Sierra University President <i>Joy Fehr</i>	3:00-3:05
WELCOME to CNEA and INTRODUCTIONS Center for Near Eastern Archaeology Director <i>Douglas Clark</i>	3:05-3:10
PRESENTATIONS on Current Archaeological Projects	
AMMONITE	
Madaba Plains Project-`Umayri (MPP)— <i>Douglas Clark & Larry Herr</i> Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	3:10-3:30
MOABITE	
Balu`a Regional Archaeological Project (BRAP)— <i>Kent Bramlett, Monique Vincent, & Friedbert Ninow</i>	3:30-3:50
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
Ataruz— <i>Chang-ho Ji</i>	3:50-4:10
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
AMMONITE & MOABITE	
Madaba Regional Archaeological Museum Project (MRAMP)— <i>Douglas Clark</i>	4:10-4:30
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
CNEA VIRTUAL TOUR AND EXHIBITS – Dawn Acevedo	4:30-4:43
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
IN SUPPORT OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL PASSION	4:43-4:50
PRESENTATIONS on Current CNEA Research	4:50-5:10
Coins of Judea— <i>Theresa Shaw</i>	
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
MPP Publications— <i>Monique Vincent & Douglas Clark</i>	5:10-5:22
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
Cyber Archaeology (New Technologies)— <i>Kent Bramlett</i>	5:22-5:37
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
New University Museum— <i>Lawrence Geraty</i>	5:37-5:57
Illustrated presentation plus Q&A	
IN SUPPORT OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL PASSION	5:57-6:00

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Other Activities connected to the Center for Near Eastern Archaeology 2020-2021 [Visit the Center for Near Eastern Archaeology website — www.lasierra.edu/archaeology]

- Lectures
- *Archaeology Adventures*
- Archaeology undergraduate major and minor
- MA degree in Near Eastern Archaeology
- Volunteering in the Collections Lab
- Homecoming Weekend 16-18 April 2021
- Ataruz excavations—21 June-22 July 2021
- Balu`a excavations—21 June-28 July 2021
- Archaeology Discovery Weekend 13-14 Nov 2021

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