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Research Interests

Northern Cultures and Ecology, Coastal Hunter-Gatherers, Prehistoric Technology, Prehistoric Cultural Interaction, Arctic Drums, The Archaeology of Fear

Education

2008 Ph.D. in Anthropology from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

Dissertation: A Study of the Evolution of Maritime Archaic Households in Northern

Labrador.

Co-chairs: David Meltzer and Torben Rick. Committee: Michael Adler, Lisa Rankin

2005 M.A. in Anthropology from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

2004 M.A. in Anthropology from Memorial University, St. John's, Newfoundland.

Thesis: Middle Dorset in Southern Labrador: An Examination of Three Small Sites in the

Porcupine Strand Region.

Chair: Lisa Rankin. Committee: James Tuck, Eric Damkjar

2001 B.A. in Anthropology from Portland State University, Portland, Oregon.

Senior Honor Thesis: Háls: A Settlement Farm in Iceland

Supervisors: Kenneth Ames and Kevin Smith

Professional Experience

2016-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University at Albany,

Albany, NY.

2016-Present Research Associate (Archaeology) in the Research and Collections

Division of the New York State Museum, Albany, NY.

2011-Present Research Associate, Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Brown

University, Providence, RI

2009-Present Research Collaborator, Arctic Studies Center, National Museum of

Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC.

Fall 2011-2016 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, State University of

New York, Plattsburgh, NY.

Classes Taught: Archaeology; Advanced Archaeological Methods, Human Ecology, Coastal and Aquatic Archaeology, Research Strategies, Science and the Human Past, Native American History, Stone Age Technology, Peoples of the Earth, Great Archaeological Discoveries, Hunters and Gatherers, Archaeology in Film, Human Evolution, Archaeological

Illustration.

Fall 2009-2011 Archaeologist, Repatriation Office, National Museum of Natural History,

Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

2008-2009 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Arctic Studies Center, National Museum of

Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

Spring 2011 Adjunct Professor, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Spring 2010 Lecturer, University of Maryland, College Park, MA

Adjunct Professor, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Fall 2009 Adjunct Professor, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Spring 2009 Adjunct Professor, American University, Washington, DC

Summer 2008 Adjunct Lecturer, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

Books

In contract Wolff, Christopher B.

First Peoples of the Eastern Subarctic. University of Florida Press. Deadline

October 2016

In contract Wolff, Christopher B., and Kevin P. Smith (editors)

Fear and Loathing in the Archaeological Record. Routledge. Deadline March

2016.

Peer-reviewed Publications

In review Wolff, Christopher B.

Beyond the Realms of Death: Evidence of Symbolic Behavior in Maritime Archaic

Structures in Northern Labrador. American Antiquity.

In review Rast, T., and Christopher B. Wolff

Instruments of Change: Late Dorset Palaeoeskimo Drums and Shamanism on

Coastal Bylot Island, Nunavut, Canada. Open Archaeology

- 2015 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, and John C. Erwin
 Before the Fire: Archaeological Investigations at a Little Passage/Beothuk
 Encampment in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. *The Canadian Journal of Archaeology* 39:10-30.
- Wolff, Christopher B., Robert J. Speakman, and William W. Fitzhugh
 Assessment of portable X-ray fluorescence analysis for the evaluation of slate
 procurement and exchange: a Maritime Archaic case study from Newfoundland
 and Labrador. *Open Journal of Archaeometry* Vol. 2, No.1 (Paper #5460).
- Wolff, Christopher B., and Thomas M. Urban
 Beneath the Surface: A Geophysical Survey of the Multicomponent Stock Cove
 Site (CkAl-3) of Southeastern Newfoundland. *North Atlantic Archaeology* Vol.
 3:157-165.
- Wolff, Christopher B., and Thomas M. Urban
 Geophysical analysis at the Old Whaling site, Cape Krusenstern, Alaska, reveals
 the possible impact of permafrost loss on archaeological interpretation. *Polar Research* 32, 19888,
 http://www.polarresearch.net/index.php/polar/article/view/19888
- 2011 Wolff, Christopher B., John Erwin, Donald H. Holly, and Tatiana Nomokonova.
 Preliminary Analysis of Paleoeskimo Subsistence at the Stock Cove Site (CkAl-3),
 Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. *North Atlantic Archaeology* 2: 125-134.
- 2010 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, and John Erwin
 The Ties that Bind and Divide: Encounters with the Beothuk in Southeastern
 Newfoundland. *The Journal of the North Atlantic* 3: 31-44.
- 2008 Wolff, Christopher B.
 Snack Cove 2: An Examination of Middle Dorset Activity in Southern Labrador.
 North Atlantic Archaeology Vol. 1:43-62.
- 2008 Rick, Torben C., Jon M. Erlandson, Christopher B. Wolff.

 Sex and Symbolism: A Middle Holocene Phallic Artifact from Santa Rosa Island,
 California. *Pacific Coast Archaeological Society Quarterly* 40(1):47-52. Pacific
 Coast Archaeological Society, Costa Mesa, CA.
- 2007 Wolff, Christopher B., Amanda Aland, Torben C. Rick.
 Coastal Subsistence and Landscape Evolution on Eastern Santa Rosa Island,
 California: Perspectives from CA-SRI-667. *Proceedings of the Society for California Archaeology* 20:53-54.

2007 Wolff, Christopher B., Torben C. Rick, Amanda Aland.

Middle Holocene Subsistence and Land Use on Southeast Anchorage, Santa Rosa Island, California. *Journal of California and Great Basin Anthropology* Vol. 27, No. 2:172-184.

Other Publications

2015 Wolff, Christopher B.

Rhythms of the Tundra: New Research on Arctic Drums. *Arctic Studies Center Newsletter* No. 22: 50-51, Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C.

2015 Rast, Tim and Christopher B. Wolff

Tuniit Drums from Bylot Island: Wooden Gifts from the Sea. *Above and Beyond:* Canada's Arctic Journal, 2015 Issue 4: 29-34.

2015 Wolff, Christopher B. and Tim Rast

Northern Drums: New Research into Drum Design, Production, and Use Among Arctic and Subarctic Peoples. *Current Research Online* No. 245: 1-2, Society for American Archaeology,

http://www.saa.org/CurrentResearch/pdf/saa_cro_245_Northern_Drums_New_Resear.pdf

2014 Wolff, Christopher B., Donald H. Holly, Jr., Frédéric Dussault, Andréanne Couture, and Taylor Testa (student)

Caught Somewhere in Time: Continuing Investigation of the Stock Cove Site (CkAl-3). *PAO Archaeological Review*, Vol. 12: 184-190.

2013 Wolff, Christopher B.

A Review of *Clovis Lithic Technology: Investigation of a Stratified Workshop at the Gault Site, Texas* by Michael R. Waters, Charlotte D. Pevny, and David L. Carlson. 2011. Texas A&M University Press, College Station, Texas. *Lithic Technology* 39(2): 126-127.

Wolff, Christopher B.

A Review of *Late Pleistocene Archaeology & Ecology in the Far Northeast*. Edited by Claude Chapdelaine 2012. Texas A&M University Press, College Station, Texas. *American Antiquity* 78(3):598.

2013 Wolff, Christopher B., and Thomas M. Urban
A Geophysical Investigation of the Stock Cove Site (CkAl-3). *PAO Archaeological*

Review, Vol. 11: 168-172.

Wolff, Christopher B.

The Effects of European Maritime Economics on Newfoundland's Indigenous Peoples. *Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society Newsletter*, Vol.22, No.1: 12-15.

2011 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, and John Erwin

Excavations at Stock Cove West (CkAl-10). PAO Archaeological Review, Vol. 9.

2010 Wolff, Christopher B., John Erwin, and Donald H. Holly, Jr.

Settlement and Subsistence in Southeastern Newfoundland: Stock Cove

Revisited. PAO Archaeological Review, Vol. 8:172-175.

Wolff, Christopher B.

A Review of *Caribou and the North: A Shared Future* by Monte Hummel and Justina C. Ray. *The Northern Review*, No. 31 (Fall 2009).

2009 Wolff, Christopher B.

Recognition of the Potential of Archaeology in Environmental Decision-Making: An Example from Newfoundland, *Anthropology News*, Vol. 50, No. 9.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Studies into the Social Organization of the Maritime Archaic of Newfoundland and Labrador. *Arctic Studies Center Newsletter No. 16*, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC.

2009 Wolff, Christopher B., Meghan Negrijn, Lindsay Swinarton, and Eric Tourigny New Research at Stock Cove, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. *PAO Archaeological Review*, Vol. 7:156-160.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Review of From the Arctic to Avalon: Papers in Honour of Jim Tuck. Journal of Island & Coastal Archaeology Vol. 2:270-272.

2007 Wolff, Christopher B.

Recent Investigations of Maritime Archaic Structures at White Point, Northern Labrador. *PAO Archaeological Review*, Vol. 5:7-12.

Fellowships and Grants

2016-2018 National Science Foundation grant, **Project Title:** *The Initial Peopling and Settlement of Eastern Newfoundland.* (\$243,539).

2013 Presidential Research Award (SUNY-Plattsburgh) grant, **Project Title:** Settlement and Subsistence at Stock Cove, Newfoundland: An Archaeological Examination of Human-Environment Interaction in the Eastern Subarctic (\$4,025).

In House Mini-Grant (SUNY-Plattsburgh) for community collaborative research on Clinton County historic cemeteries (\$1,500).

Redcay Faculty Fellowship (SUNY-Plattsburgh), **Project Title**: Settlement and Subsistence at Stock Cove, Newfoundland: An Archaeological Examination of Human Environment Interaction in the Eastern Subarctic (\$11,400).

- 2012 Presidential Research Award (SUNY-Plattsburgh) grant, **Project Title:** New Directions in Archaeology and Ecology at the Stock Cove Site, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland (\$4850).
- National Science Foundation EAGER grant, **Project Title:** The Beginning of the End: The Social Dynamics of Early Beothuk-European Relations in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland (\$30,671). Co-PI with Dr. Donald H. Holly of Eastern Illinois University.

National Science Foundation Research Grant, **Project Title:** *Collaboration to Investigate the "Old Whaling" Culture and the Origins of Whaling in Chukotka* (\$48,125)

National Park Service, Shared Beringian Heritage Grant, **Project Title**: *Old Whaling Culture in Chukotka* (\$45,124).

- 2009 Provincial Archaeology Office of Newfoundland and Labrador Research Grant, St. John's, NL, **Project Title:** Subsistence, Settlement, and Succession at Stock Cove, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland (\$5,000).
- 2008 Smithsonian Post-doctoral Fellowship, National Museum of Natural History and Museum Conservation Institute, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. (\$40,000).

Provincial Archaeology Office of Newfoundland and Labrador Research Grant, St. John's, NL, **Project Title:** *Subsistence and Settlement at Stock Cove, Newfoundland* (\$3,800).

Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. (\$7,500).

- Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. (\$7,500).
- 2006 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, **Project Title:** The Evolution of Maritime Archaic Households in Northern Labrador. (\$11,872).

 Nunatsiavut Government Research Grant, Nain, NL. (\$5,670)

Provincial Archaeology Office of Newfoundland and Labrador Research Grant, St. John's, NL. (\$4,500)

The Institute for the Study of Earth and Man Research Grant, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. (\$1,884).

Combined Prehistoric Expedition Research Fellowship for fieldwork in Egypt. (\$2,000).

Institute for Social and Economic Research Grant, Memorial University, St. John's, NL. (\$10,000).

Provincial Archaeology Office of Newfoundland and Labrador Research Grant, St. John's, NL. (\$4,500).

J.R. Smallwood Foundation Research Grant, St. John's, NL. (\$3,500).

1999 Portland State University Honors Program Fellowship (Tuition and Stipend).

Professional Presentations

Wolff, Christopher B.

Climate Change in Ancient Ecosystems: How Archaeology Can Create Better Knowledge Systems For Modern Policy. Presentation for the Center for Environmental Science, SUNY-Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Adventure Tourism and Its Impact in the Arctic. Paper presented as part of the "Professional Series" for the Expeditionary Studies Department, SUNY-Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Dorset Drums: Drums, Shamanism, and the Late Dorset. Paper presented in the Vermont Hyper-Archaeology Conference, Burlington, VT.

2015 Rast, Tim and Christopher B. Wolff (Session Co-Organizer and Co-Chair)

Instruments of Change: Late Dorset Paleoeskimo Drums and Shamanism on

Coastal Bylot Island, Nunavut, Canada. Paper presented at the Canadian

Archaeological Association Annual Meeting, St. John's, Newfoundland and
Labrador.

- Wolff, Christopher B. (Forum Co-Organizer and Co-Chair)

 F.E.A.R.: Fear and its Expression in the Archaeological Record. Co-organizer,
 facilitator and panel member in a Forum organized for the 80th Annual Meeting
 of the Society for, San Francisco, CA.
- Wolff, Christopher B. (Panel Member)

 Living with the End of Days: An Examination of the Anthropocene. Panel member and discussant for a discussion on whether we are in a new epoch, the Anthropocene. SUNY-Plattsburgh speaker series.
- 2014 Wolff, Christopher B., and Thomas M. Urban

 A Geophysical Investigation of the Stock Cove Site (CkAl-3), Southeastern

 Newfoundland. Paper presented at the Canadian Archaeological Association

 Annual Meeting, London, Ontario.
- 2014 Wolff, Christopher B., Donald H. Holly Jr., Taylor Testa (student), and Brennan Chambers (student)

 Dorset Paleoeskimo Technological Practice and History in Eastern Newfoundland:

 A View from Stock Cove. Paper presented at the Canadian Archaeological Association Annual Meeting, London, Ontario.
- 2014 Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Organizer), Donald H. Holly Jr., Taylor Testa (student), and Marné Timon (student)

 Changing Times or Time for a Change?: Dorset Technological Practices at the Stock Cove Site, Newfoundland. Paper presented at the 79th Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, TX.
- 2014 Miszaniec, Jason, M.A.P. Renouf, Frédéric Dussault, Trevor Bell, and Christopher B. Wolff

 Comparison of fuelwood use at two Dorset Palaeoeskimo sites in Newfoundland. Paper presented at the 79th Annual Meeting for the Society for American Archaeology, Austin, TX.
- 2013 Wolff, Christopher B.

 "Consult Early and Often:" Politics, Education, and Tribal Collaboration in

 Archaeological Research. Paper presented at the 112th Annual Meeting of the

 American Anthropological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Taylor Testa (student), Brennan Chambers (student), Hannah Parker Carver (student), and Christopher B. Wolff

 A New Assessment of St. Lawrence Iroquoian Ceramic Production at the Allen
 Farm Site (NYSM # 12536), Clinton County, New York. Paper presented at the 97th
 Annual Meeting of the New York State Archaeological Association Meeting,
 Watertown, NY.

- Wolff, Christopher B., and Thomas Urban

 Reimagining/Reimaging Stock Cove: A Geophysical Survey of the Stock Cove Site,

 Newfoundland. Poster presented at the 78th Annual Meeting of the Society for

 American Archaeology, Honolulu, HI.
- Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Co-Organizer and Co-Chair)

 Fear and Loathing in the Eastern Subarctic Archaic Period. Paper presented at the 111th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 Wolff, Christopher B., Marné Timon (student), and Jesse Crosier (student)

 Analysis of Dorset Paleoeskimo Stone Tool Production at the Stock Cove Site

 (CkAl-3), Newfoundland. Poster presented at the Canadian Archaeological

 Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec.
- Testa, Taylor (student); Hanna Parker Carver (student), Samantha Mitchell (student), Brendan Gauthier (student), and Christopher B. Wolff Revisiting Allen Farm: New Investigations into the Prehistory of the Champlain Valley. Poster presented at the Sigma Xi Annual Student Research Symposium, SUNY-Plattsburgh, NY, and the Lake Champlain Research Consortium Spring Student Research Symposium, Johnson State College, VT.
- Wolff, Christopher B., Thomas Urban, and Luke Brown (student)

 A Geophysical Investigation of the Old Whaling Site, Cape Krusenstern, Alaska.

 Poster presented at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Memphis, TN.
- 2012 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, and John C. Erwin

 The Beothuk Indians of Newfoundland & the Archaeology of Abandonment:

 Perspectives from Southeastern Newfoundland and the Stock Cove West Site.

 Paper presented at the 77th meeting of the Society of American Archaeology,

 Memphis, TN.
- 2011 Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Co-Organizer), Donald H. Holly, and John C. Erwin Stock Cove Revisited: Resent Research and Reevaluation of the Dorset Occupation of the Stock Cove Site, Southeastern Newfoundland. Session Title: Current Archaeology on the Island of Newfoundland. Paper presented at the 2011 Canadian Archaeological Association Meeting, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 2011 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff (Session Co-Organizer), and John Erwin Stock Cove West: A Little Passage/Beothuk site in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland. Session Title: Current Archaeology on the Island of Newfoundland. Paper presented at the 2011 Canadian Archaeological Association Meeting, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

2010 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, and John Erwin

The Ties that Bind and Divide: Encounters with the Beothuk in Southeastern

Newfoundland. Paper presented at the 2010 American Society for Ethnohistory

Meeting, Ottawa, Ontario.

2010 Wolff, Christopher B.

Exploration, Exchange, and Extinction: The Effects of the Expansion of European Maritime Economics on Newfoundland's Indigenous Peoples. Paper presented at the October 2010 Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society Meeting.

2010 Wolff, Christopher B., Robert J. Speakman, William W. Fitzhugh

Assessment of Portable X-ray Fluorescence Analysis for the Evaluation of Slate

Procurement and Exchange: A Study from Newfoundland and Labrador. Poster

presented at the 38th International Symposium of Archaeometry, Tampa, FL.

2010 Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Co-Organizer), William W. Fitzhugh, Robert J. Speakman

The Utility of pXRF in the Assessment of Slate Procurement and Exchange by the Maritime Archaic of Newfoundland and Labrador. Session Title: Archaeological Science 2010. Poster presented at the 75th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, St. Louis, MO.

2010 Holly, Donald H., Christopher B. Wolff, John Erwin

Interactions and Encounters with the Beothuk in Southeastern Newfoundland.

Paper presented at the 75th annual meeting of the Society for American

Archaeology, St. Louis, MO.

2009 Wolff, Christopher B.

Pithouses and Ideology: Examining Socio-cultural Elements in Northern Dwellings. Paper presented at the 74th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Atlanta, GA.

Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Organizer)
Why Such A Longhouse?: The Evolution of Maritime Archaic Domestic Structures
and its Underlying Socio-Cultural Implications. Session Title: The Other Coast:
Coastal Economies and Social Organization in the Western North Atlantic. Paper
presented at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology,
Vancouver, B.C.

2008 Wolff, Christopher B., Torben C. Rick, John A. Robbins, Lauren M. Willis.

Site Structure, Taphonomy, and Chronology on East Anacapa Island, California.

Paper presented at the 7th California Islands Symposium, Oxnard, California.

2007 Wolff, Christopher B.

Maritime Archaic Households and Ritual: A View from Northern Labrador. Paper presented at the 40th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Archaeological Association, St. Johns, Newfoundland.

2006 Królik, Hanna, Maciej Jórdezcka, Miroslaw Masojc, Christopher Wolff, Romuald Schild.

Badania Combined Prehistoric Expedition, W Afryce Pólnocno-Wschodniej, Nabta Playa 2006. Poster for Institute of Archaeology, Warsaw, Poland.

2006 Wolff, Christopher B., Jason Theuer, Michael A. Adler, Neil Tabor.

Analysis of Ceramic Source Materials from the Chaves-Hummingbird Site Using X-Ray Diffraction. Poster presented at the 71st Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2005 Wolff, Christopher B. (Session Chair)

The Early Colonization of Northern Labrador. Paper presented at the 70th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Salt Lake City, Utah.

2005 Wolff, Christopher B., Rick, Torben C., Amanda Aland.

Coastal Subsistence and Landscape Evolution on Eastern Santa Rosa Island, California: Perspectives from CA-SRI-667. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society of California Archaeology.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Middle Dorset in Southern Labrador. Poster presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Montreal, Quebec.

Wolff, Christopher B.

Middle Dorset in Southern Labrador: An Examination of Three Small Sites in the Porcupine Strand Region. Paper presented at the 2003 Meeting of the Canadian Archaeological Association, Hamilton, Ontario.

Reports

Wolff, Christopher B.

The Beat of a Different Drum: Drum Production and Use Among Northern Peoples. In *Contexts: The Annual Report of the Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology*, Vol. 40:15

Wolff, Christopher B.

Seeking the Origins of the Old Whaling Culture. In *Contexts: The Annual Report of the Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology*, Vol. 39:16

Wolff, Christopher B.

Trinity Bay Chert Survey Report

Report on file at the Provincial Archaeology Office, St. John's, NL.

2013 Wolff, Christopher B.

Archaeological Impact Assessment Report for Adventure Canada's "Epic High Arctic" Expedition Cruise, August 2012. Submitted to the Government of Nunavut, Canada.

2012 Wolff, Christopher B., and Sarah Feinstein

Inventory and Assessment of Human Remains Requested for Repatriation by the Aleut Community of St. Paul Island, Alaska, in the Collections of the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution. Repatriation Report for the Aleut Community of St. Paul Island, Alaska. On file at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

2012 Wolff, Christopher B.

Assessment of Kaigani Haida Human Remains and Funerary Objects Requested for Repatriation in the Collections of the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution. Repatriation Claim Report for the Hydaburg Cooperative Association Case. On file at National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C.

2011 Holly, Donald H., Wolff, Christopher B., and John C. Erwin

Excavations at CkAl-10: the Stock Cove West Site. Interim Report on file at the Provincial Archaeology Office, St. John's, NL.

2009 Wolff, Christopher B.

Interim Report for the Stock Cove Archaeology Project. On file at the Provincial Archaeology Office, St. John's, NL.

2008 Wolff, Christopher B.

Final Report on Recent Investigations on White Point, Northern Labrador, Permit No. 06.02. On file at the Provincial Archaeology Office, St. John's, NL.

2007 Wolff, Christopher B.

Interim Report for White Point Archaeology Project. On file at the Provincial Archaeology Office, St. John's, NL

Public Outreach

2015 Presented a talk for the Lake Forest Senior Community Center entitled: *Heritage Matters: Archaeology in (and for) the North Country.*

2014 Presented a talk for the Plattsburgh State Anthropology Club and the public entitled: Sacred Objects, Human Remains, and Human Rights: The Role of Repatriation in Archaeological Research. 2014 Presented a talk at the Lion's Community Centre, Sunnyside, Newfoundland entitled: Archaeology at Stock Cove: Past, Present, and Future. 2014 Presented a talk at the Alice T. Miner Museum, Chazy, NY entitled: Heritage Matters: Archaeology in (and for) the North Country. 2013 Presented recent research at Stock Cove at the Sunnyside Community Center, Sunnyside, Newfoundland and Labrador. 2012 Presented a talk at the Clinton County Historical Association Museum, Plattsburgh, NY entitled: The North Country Community Archaeology Network: Creating Community Collaborative Research. 2012-2015 Created the North Country Community Archaeology Network (NCCAN), a collaborative research project with communities in the North Country of New York State. 2012 Presented a lecture at the Whallonsburg Grange Hall, Whallonsburg, NY entitled: Native American Archaeology in the North Country (10/9/12). 2010 Presented a lecture on research at the Stock Cove Site for the Sunnyside Community, Sunnyside, Newfoundland and Labrador. Multimedia 2011-Present Creator and Administrator of the Northern Archaeology Facebook page with over 850 professional and avocational members. This page discusses archaeological research of northern societies and is a platform to create international collaborations in our field. 2011-2012 Creator, Author (Blogger), Co-editor of Magnetic North: Arctic Studies at the Smithsonian. A blog discussing Arctic/Subarctic research at the Smithsonian Institution. 2011 Creator, Editor, Primary Author (Blogger) of the Aleutian-Pribilof Islands Repatriation Blog at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution. A blog designed to facilitate consultation with remote tribal communities of the Aleutians and Pribilof Islands.

Current Research

I am co-directing a multi-year, interdisciplinary research project in Southeastern Newfoundland currently funded by a 3-year NSF grant (see above) to examine the human-environment interaction of various cultures (prehistoric through historic). This includes: archaeological excavation at sites along the coasts of Newfoundland and Labrador; extensive systematic survey of the region; environmental research to obtain proxy data to reconstruct past climatic, ecological, and geological conditions; and ethnohistoric research focusing on contact between groups, post-contact relationships and adaptations, and their correlation to environmental change, demographic shifts, and colonization events.

I am beginning to examine the role that drums play throughout Arctic cultures. My early focus is on prehistoric drums from the North American Arctic and their relationships to contemporary peoples in that region and across the Bering Strait in Chukotka and northern Siberia. The research focuses on extant collections in many international institutions and collections, and will include new ethnoarchaeological/ethnomusicological research in the circumpolar region. I am particularly interested in historical intercultural relationships and diachronic changes in drum use and production and what they may tell us of broader issues, such as human migration, ideological development, and religious transformation.

I also am participating in collaborative research with colleagues at the Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology to investigate the various uses of caves during the Viking Age in Iceland.

Research Experience

- 2013-Present Conducting an ethnoarchaeological project on the use and production of drums throughout the Arctic and Subarctic.
- 2009-Present Co-direct a field research project at the Stock Cove site, Trinity Bay,
 Newfoundland examining the dynamics of the Maritime Archaic settlement, the
 Paleoeskimo to Recent Indian transition, and the early contact period between
 Beothuk and Europeans, through an historical ecological perspective.
- 2011- Present Leading the investigation at the prehistoric/protohistoric Allen Farm Site, Peru, NY. Includes supervising SUNY-Plattsburgh students in survey, excavation, and collections analysis of this multicomponent site.
- 2013 Conducted archaeological excavation at the Viking Age Cave Site, Surtshellir, Iceland with Kevin Smith of Brown University's Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology.
- 2010-2011 Archaeologist/Case Officer working with Pacific Northwest and Alaskan Native groups in assessing collections housed at the National Museum of Natural History, Washington, DC for cultural affiliation and repatriation.

2010-2011 Conducted faunal analyses of remains from a shell midden site on Agattu Island of the Aleutian Islands with Stephen Loring of the Smithsonian Institution to examine the historical ecology of that island and compare it with evidence documented from other parts of the island chain and northern Pacific. 2005-2011 Conducted historical ecological research in the Chesapeake Bay and California Channel Islands with Dr. Torben Rick of the Smithsonian Institution investigating shellfish procurement and impact by prehistoric and historic indigenous peoples. 2008-2010 Conducting collections-based XRF analyses through a joint research fellowship between the National Museum of Natural History and Museum Conservation Institute at the Smithsonian Institution, examining sources of slate used by the Maritime Archaic peoples of Newfoundland and Labrador. 2009 Conducted excavation in Iceland on a farm (Gilsbakki) containing historic, Medieval, and Viking Age materials, directed by Kevin Smith of the Haffenreffer Museum at Brown University and Michele Smith from the Rhode Island School of Design. 2008 Directed test excavation and survey at the Stock Cove site on the northeastern coast of Newfoundland to determine research strategies and potential for a multi-year, interdisciplinary project in that region. 2006 Designed and directed a project that involved the excavation of three Maritime Archaic structures at White Point, Northern Labrador as part of my Ph.D. project at Southern Methodist University. 2006 Conducted excavation of an Early Neolithic site at Nabta Playa, in the Western Desert of Egypt, and survey of the desert margins along the east and west banks of the Nile between Aswan and Kom Ombo with Drs. Fred Wendorf and Romauld Schild of the Combined Prehistoric Expedition. 2003-2006 Conducted research on several Paleoindian (Folsom) sites in West Texas and Southern Colorado with Dr. David Meltzer of Southern Methodist University. 2002 Designed and directed a project that included the excavation of three Paleoeskimo sites on Huntingdon and Horse Chops Islands off the coast of Central Labrador as part of my M.A. research project at Memorial University. 2001 Conducted survey of the Porcupine Strand region of southern Labrador with Dr. Lisa Rankin of Memorial University.

Worked for the Háls Archaeological Project directed by Kevin Smith of the Haffenreffer Museum at Brown University excavating an iron production site and an associated pithouse from the early Settlement Period of Viking Age Iceland.

Other Professional Service and Achievements

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2013-Present	Member of the Board of Directors for the Newfoundland and Labrador
	Archaeological Society
2013-Present	Member of the Society for American Archaeology's Native American Scholarship
	Committee
2015-2016	Member of the Special Collections Library Advisory Committee, SUNY-
	Plattsburgh
2012-2016	Environmental Studies Committee Member, SUNY-Plattsburgh
2010-2012	Member of the Society for American Archaeology's Committee on Curriculum.