



October 2023

RHODE ISLAND ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH

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Organized by the Rhode Island Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission, this program promotes Rhode Island's rich archaeological heritage through a series of public events led by the professional community.

Events

in chronological order

Tuesday, October 3 | 6 - 7pm

Archaeology of Glocester – presentation by RIHPHC Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor
Harmony Library, 195 Putnam Pike, Glocester

Saturday, October 7 | 1 – 3pm

Re-excavating the Old State House Parade – hands-on sorting and cataloging artifacts hosted by RIHPHC Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor
Old State House, 150 Benefit Street, Providence

Thursday, October 12 | 7pm

History and Archaeology of the URI Campus Landscape – presentation by Dr. Kris Bovy, Dr. Cathy DeCesare, and Dr. Rod Mather
South Kingstown High School, 215 Columbia St, Wakefield

Saturday, October 14 (three events between 11am and 4pm)

- 11am – 12pm **Archaeology at the Wilkinson Mill** – presentation by Dr. Patrick Malone
- 1 -4pm **Archaeology Month Open House** – presentations, videos, hands-on activities
- 1:30pm **Jenks Settlement Walking Tour** – guided walk to explore the founding of Pawtucket
Old Slater Mill National Historic Landmark, 67 Roosevelt Ave., Pawtucket

Saturday, October 14 | 11am - 3pm

Archaeology of College Hill Community Archaeology Day – observation and hands-on archaeology with Brown University professors and students
Outside List Art Center, Brown University, Providence (64 College St)

Saturday, October 14 | 11am - 3pm

Uncover Archaeology: Community Archaeology Day – open house with exhibits and activities
Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology, R.I. Hall, Brown University (60 George St), Providence

Sunday, October 15 | 1 - 4pm

Archaeology Month Open House – presentations, videos, and hands-on activities
Old Slater Mill National Historic Landmark, 67 Roosevelt Ave., Pawtucket

Tuesday, October 17 | noon – 1pm

Behind the Scenes: Engaging the Americas at the Haffenreffer Museum of Archaeology Mellon Grant Project – presentation on HMA’s North American collections led by Dr. Jessica Nelson
In person at Rockefeller Library, Brown University (10 Prospect St), Providence and virtual

Tuesday, October 17 | 5 – 7pm

Preservation After Dark – archaeology laboratory open house hosted by Dr. Heather Rockwell
Antone Academic Center, Room 105, Salve Regina University, Newport

Saturday, October 21 | 12 – 4pm

Excavations at Old Potterville School –archaeological investigations and hands-on activities hosted by archaeologist Kimberly Smith
316 d Plainfield Pike, Scituate

Saturday, October 21 | 1:30pm

Jenks Settlement Walking Tour - guided walk to explore the founding of Pawtucket
Old Slater Mill National Historic Landmark, 67 Roosevelt Ave., Pawtucket

Thursday, October 26 | 6 – 7pm

“We wrangled with them for some time:” Conflict Archaeology and the Battle of Rhode Island –
presentation by Dr. Joseph N. Waller
Portsmouth Historical Society, 870 East Main Rd., Portsmouth

Sunday, October 29 | 1 – 4pm

Re-excavating the Old State House Parade – hands-on sorting and cataloging artifacts hosted by RIHPHC
Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor
Old State House, 150 Benefit Street, Providence

Saturday, October 28 | 2 – 3pm

The HMS Gaspee Archaeology Study – exhibit opening with Dr. Kathy Abbass and partners from the Rhode Island Marine Archaeology Project
Warwick Public Library, 600 Sandy Lane, Warwick

Videos available at www.preservation.ri.gov/archtober throughout October

Archaeological Examples of Narragansett Indian & Native American Life – presentation by Dr. Joseph N. Waller

Behind the Scenes: Engaging the Americas at the Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology Mellon Grant Project – virtual exhibit