

2025 Michigan Archaeology Month Event Schedule

October is Archaeology Month in Michigan! Learn more about Michigan archaeology and Michigan archaeologists with these public events occurring across the state.

Events are subject to change without notice

October 2nd, Saginaw Valley Chapter of the Michigan Archaeological Society, Saginaw

All are invited. The evening's speaker will be Tim Bennett, presenting Piecing Pottery: Making Sense of 19th Century Ceramics, Exploring how Ceramics Help Date and Interpret Historic Sites. Drawing on Michigan finds and additional collections, he'll share methods for identifying, dating, and understanding pottery, with examples available for hands-on viewing. 7:30pm, The Castle Museum of Saginaw County, 500 Federal Avenue, Saginaw, MI.

October 11th, Laingsburg Archaeology, Laingsburg

The Michigan Archaeological Society will be working at a historical period archaeological site near Laingsburg, Michigan Saturday October 11th 10am-4pm. We plan to have units open over a 19th century sheet midden which has been identified by Lansing Community College field school students. There will also be some magnetic susceptibility survey taking place in other portions of the property. Be sure to bring your own pair of work gloves and plenty of water. There are a few places to get lunch in Laingsburg (a mile away if you leave your lunch at home), however, we will plan to take lunches in the field at the worksite. It is highly recommended that you wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. Please refrain from wearing very loose jewelry, shorts, and sandals. We will be meeting at 9860 Woodbury Rd. You can park along (off to the side of) the next driveway to the south. The driveway for the field site is not easy to see, but it is directly west of W Scenic Lake Dr. For parking, please use the driveway for 9852 Woodbury Rd. Please contact Monte Lawton at lawtonp@star.lcc.edu with questions.

October 11th, Washtenaw Community College Public Dig Days, Ann Arbor

Washtenaw Community College (WCC) is seeking additional volunteers for their public dig days. Each public dig day begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends around 3:00 p.m. No prior archaeology experience is necessary, since WCC professors and previous students will be there to help guide you. We will be working on a multi-component (pre-contact indigenous and 19th-20th century) archaeological site on WCC's campus property. Located at 4400 E. Huron River Drive Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Contact Julia Joblinski at jjoblinski@wccnet.edu for additional information. This will also be held on Nov. 15th and Nov. 22nd.



October 15th, MAS Upper Grand Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting, Lansing

The Upper Grand Valley Chapter of the Michigan Archaeological Society will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 15th, 6:30pm on the Lansing Community College Campus, 4307 Arts and Sciences Building. This month we will be discussing the recent excavations at two Michigan sites, the Woodhall site and the Johnston site.

October 16th, The Historical Archaeology of Michigan, Webinar

This webinar features a discussion of The Historical Archaeology of Michigan by Dean L. Anderson, Michael S. Nassaney, and Krysta Ryzewski, a new volume in the University Press of Florida series the American Experience in Archaeological Perspectives. The archaeological findings discussed in this book highlight Anishinaabe peoples, settler colonialism, immigrants, agriculture, industry, and urbanization, and illustrate the distinct ways in which the American experience was lived in Michigan. Join us 1:00pm. Go to <https://www.mhpn.org/workshops/> to register, registration is free.

October 18th, Michigan Archaeology Day, Lansing

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be an archaeologist? Here's your chance to talk with archaeologists about investigations and artifacts that tell the story of 14,000 years of Michigan history! Archaeologists and experts in related fields will be stationed throughout the first and second floors of the museum where they will tell you about their research, show you some of the artifacts they have found and answer your questions. Free. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Michigan History Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo St, Lansing. [Michigan History Museum - Michigan Archaeology Day](#)

MICHIGAN Archaeology Day





Robert Campbell

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 18, 2025**
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**MICHIGAN HISTORY
CENTER**
702 W. Kalamazoo St.
Lansing, MI 48915

Attend a special presentation
The Edmund Fitzgerald Investigations
by shipwreck historian Ric Mixer
and pick up a free poster!

October 18th, Archaeology Fair, Marquette

The Marquette Regional History Center is joining hundreds of organizations around the world to celebrate International Archaeology Day. Come discover how our fair has grown over thirteen years, providing a look at archaeology in our upper mid-west region and worldwide. Hands-on learning for all ages. Multiple booths both indoors and outdoors feature various displays and activities. Join the celebration of archaeology and the thrill of discovery! The fair is included with general admission. 11:00am – 3:00pm, Marquette Regional History Center, 145 W Spring St. Marquette, MI. <https://www.marquettehistory.org/things-to-do.html>

October 29th, MSU Campus Archaeology's Apparitions & Archaeology, East Lansing

Campus Archaeology is going to be hosting Apparitions & Archaeology with the MSU Undergraduate Paranormal Society on Wednesday, October 29th from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. It is a haunted walking tour of MSU's campus where guests will hear stories of hauntings on campus and learn about the archaeology and history of campus. The tour begins at Beaumont Tower.