

Academic Year 2016-2017: Working Toward the Digital Future for the Past



May 2017

Volume 7, Number 1

## **New College Public Archaeology Lab**

Programs in 2016-17



Success with Virtual Worlds for Angola and Prospect Bluff in partnership with Digital Heritage Interactive

Continuing Florida Public Archaeology Network workshops and collaborations

Continuing partnerships with Time Sifters and Sarasota County Historical Resources

Undergraduate training in heritage interpretation

Exhibits at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library

Bringing Newtown Heritage to New College and Working toward a Community Archaeology Program

**Planning for Sustainable Projects** 

...and more







Staff: Director: Uzi Baram

Lab Supervisor: [ ] Not funded this year Assistance: Hayley Trejo Videographer: Ripley Bychek

#### Newsletter produced by:

Uzi Baram Founding Director and Professor of Anthropology ncpal@ncf.edu 941-487-4590

Director Baram gratefully acknowledges funding from the Provost Office for supplies and operations



#### **Preserving Regional Heritage**

Our Goals: Strengthen historic preservation in southwest Florida through undergraduate community service-learning, civic engagement, and projectbased examples of ethical

stewardship of the past for the cosmopolitan present. Opened in October 2010 and located on the Bayfront campus, the New College of Florida's Public Archaeology Lab features

more than 1,600 square feet of workspace for processing and interpreting artifacts, an office for archaeological site reports and geographic information

## **Research—Community-based Archaeology**

## Looking for Angola

The central archaeological research project at NCPAL is Looking for Angola, a community-based public anthropology program seeking material remains of an early 19th century maroon community on the Manatee River.

### Major Accomplishment

Public Presentation of the Virtual World that Reconstructed

Remembering the Manatee River Maroons of 1821: Heritage, Archaeology, and Digital Reconstructions Saturday, Sept. 10, 2016 at 1:00 Manatee County Central Library 1301 Barcarrota Boulevard West, Bradenton, FL 34205-7522

The history for Angola, an early 19th century maroon community on the Manatee River, is enmeshed with international intrigues, fights and flights for freedom, and reveals an impressive heritage of liberty in southwest Florida. Its history begins with events further north in Florida.

2016 brings the bicentennial of the destruction of the Negro Fort on the Apalachicola River in 1816. Join us to discuss the significance of that community and its people, known as maroons, Black Seminoles, African Seminoles, and freedomseeking people. This event will highlight archaeological insights and will unveil new virtual reconstructions that help us better understand all of the eart 19th-century maroon communities on Florida's Gulf Coast.



Ir Uzi Baram, Dr. Ed Gonzalez-Tennant, and Vickie Oldham will discuss the history avery resistance in Florida, an incredible story of freedom-seeking people. From achicola River to Tampa Bay, people of African heritage battled for their freedom, edge, and fell back in a southern movement that ultimately led some to Andros the British Bahamas and the others to the Florida interior, where they and their ants fought in the Second Seminole War. The destruction of the Negro Fort on the cola River in 1816 was followed by the Battle of Suwannee in 1818 and then the on of Angola and the other moron communities south of Tampa Bay in 1821. It is interacted.



Angola on the Manatee River







Funded by the Florida Humanities Council, the project included creating virtual worlds and presenting the results in Apalachicola and Bradenton, to overflowing crowds. A video of the September 2016 is available







**Tragedy and Survival for the 19th century Florida Gulf Coast Maroons** raised public interest as seen in the audiences for the presentations and newspaper accounts of the research. The virtual worlds are available for free download from a Time Sifters Archaeological Society website

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA HISTORY





Outstanding assistance by New College students at the Manatee Central Public Library presentation





The Presentation Team



### Tragedy and Survival for the 19th century Florida Gulf Coast Maroons

Funded by the Florida Humanities Council, the research, digital reconstructions, public presentations, and website grew from partnerships with SRS Consulting, Digital Heritage Interactive and Runjik Productions





Digital Heritage Interactive LLC\_



The webpage is listed by the SHA as part of its juried links



RUNJIK PRODUCTIONS

#### Juried Links Database

Welcome to the "Current Projects" pages at sha.org. Please note that the following links will take you to pages that whose content are SHA-approved. but are not necessarily created and copy edited to conform with SHA style and format.

Historical archaeology is a diverse discipline with investigations in both terrestrial and underwater contexts. This page is dedicated to sharing information about these projects.

#### Other Links Other Research Links

If you have or are developing a website featuring professional historical archaeology project(s) and wish to apply to have it posted, please email us at webmaster@sha.org

St. Eustatius Center for Archaeological Research	C
Teaching Ludlow CO	C
Texas Beyond History (Texas Archeological Research Laboratory, University of Texas-Austin)	C
The Museum of Underwater Archaeology	C
Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest	C
University of Denver, Department of Anthropology	C
University of Nebraska Library Center for Digital Research in the Humanities	C
Utah Pottery Project	C
New College Public Archaeology Lab	6
URL: http://tragedyandsurvival.timesificers.org/ Organization: Virtual Landscapes: Tragedy and Survival of 19th-Century Florida Gulf Coast Maroons Region: Africa	



#### **Florida Anthropology**

What Anthropology Education Does for Flo

Walking in the Footsteps of Early 19th-Century Freedom-Seeking People on the Florida Gulf Coast



And the website was featured on the Florida Anthropology Society Tumblr https://flanthro.tumblr.com/post/157314712549/ walking-in-the-footsteps-of-early-19thcentury?is\_related\_post=1 Successful Two-Year Partnership, with Sarasota County Historical Resources:

## **CHAMP at Phillippi Estate Park** concluded in November 2016

Community Heritage Awareness and Management Program



CHAMP is a partnership in pursuit of public Engagement to raise awareness of heritage and gain support for preservation and new representations.



First CHAMP project is heritage interpretation at Phillippi Estate Park—started in 2014





Community Outreach, Ethnographic Interviews, Artifact Analysis, and Archival Research starting in Fall 2014







Sarasota Parks and Recreation Highlights Archaeology at Phillippi Estate Park with public events in June and November 2016 and March 2017

<text>

Saturday, June 25 9-11 a.m. Phillippi Estate Park 5500 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota





June 2016 at the Edson Keith Mansion on the grounds of Phillippi Estate Park



Partnering with the Sarasota County Archaeologist and Florida Public Archaeology Network—West Central Region— March 2016

CHAMP offers New College students experience with public outreach, civic engagement, and heritage interpretation





### Heritage Interpretation Tutorial Fall 2016

Training in NCPAL Practice in *Heritage: History and the Past Today* And for the public at Phillippi Estate Park



#### MEDIA RELEASE

Max 10, 2016

Explore life in 500 B.C. at Phillippi Estate Park

Easter Park will fam the clock lack all new exchanged one of \$11 and new exchanged one of \$11 and the experiment of the park of the par





The event is also part of a year-long 100th anniversary celebration for the Edson Kath Mansion. The park will host a centennial commemoration in November. For more information, call the Sarasota County Centact Center or visit <u>unive scopy net</u>.

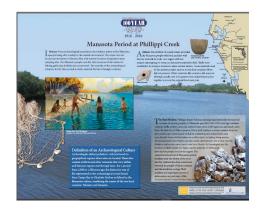
Sarasota County prohibits discrimination in all services, programs or activities. View the complete polit all wave service net/ADA/Parasota/aut/acre

861-NEWS

Public Culmination of the Program Dedication of Heritage Interpretation Signs November 2016











Even after the dedication of the heritage interpretation signs at Phillippi Estate Park, the CHAMP program continued

• Continuing Public Efforts: Radiocarbon Dating Workshop March 2017





• Time Sifters Archaeological Society volunteers helping with the last descriptions of the Prodie Midden artifacts during March and April 2017 in NCPAL



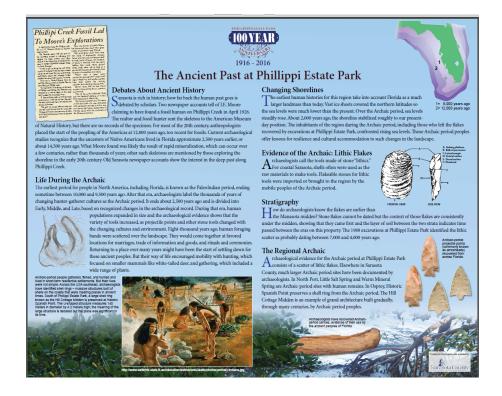






## And Even More with CHAMP

An Additional Sign to inform the public on the archaeology at the park and beyond — on the Archaic Period, ancient times that are crucial for



Archaeology gets mocked in the Sarasota Herald-Tribune We're OK with it

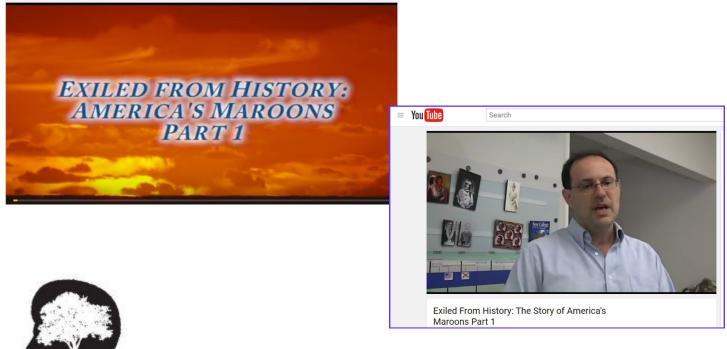


## Past Projects Getting New Attention

### Sarasota Bay Rancho Video Game part of an exhibit on Cuba-Florida



Archaeology for Angola and Marronage across Florida Gulf Coast highlighted in a new film shown at DCTV and available on YouTube: *Exiled from History: America's Maroons* 

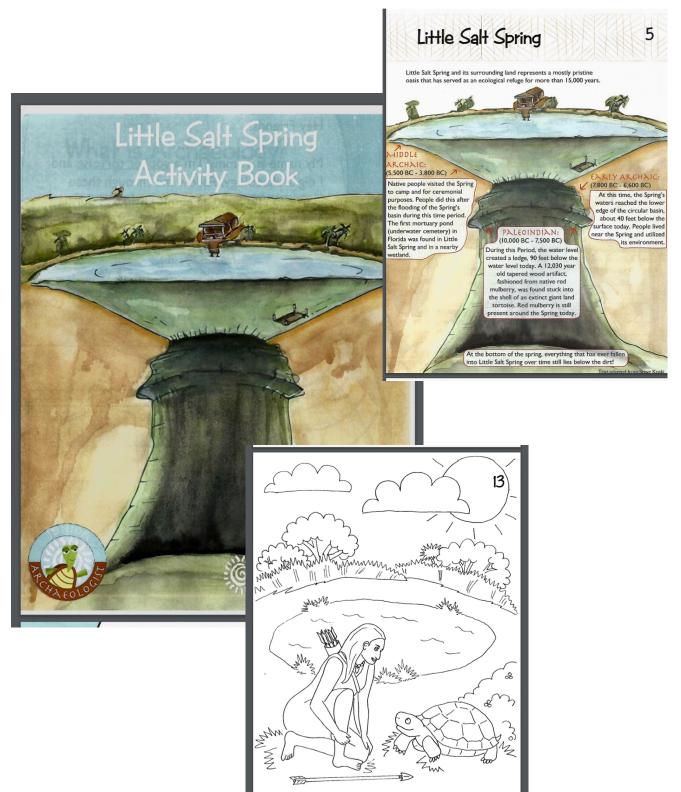


OutDoor Afro

Outdoor Afro is a community that reconnects African-Americans with natural spaces and one another through recreational activities incorporated the Angola saga into an April excursion to DeSoto National Memorial

### Supported Friends of Little Salt Spring for their Activity Book and Teacher Trainings





## Representing and Displaying Regional Heritage

### March 2017 Florida Archaeology Month Exhibit



Visualize the Future through the Past: Ancient Histories and Modern Times in Sarasota/Manatee

AN EXHIBIT FOR FLORIDA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH 2017



Supervised by Uzi Baram, with Hayley Trejo Maddie Brown Michala Head Sarah Kelley Hunter Mundy Harrison Yates

With materials by Leah Duncan and Annie Carter





January ISP students who prepared the exhibit







The exhibit included a video on how to use Spanish Moss to make cords, available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3zZ3mLYwPiM





Net Making from Spanish Moss

## Featured Speaker March 8, 2017 Vickie Oldham



Presented by the New College Public Archaeology Lab



### Newtown Alive: Courage. Dignity. Determination. MARCH 8, 2017 | 5:30 P.M.

The history of Sarasota's African American community was in fragments throughout Sarasota County until the City of Sarasota funded a groundbreaking research project. Consultant Vickie Oldham led the Newtown Conservation Historic District team and discusses its history makers and historic resources.

# New Topics

The public lecture is part of New Topics, New College



Newtown Alive: Courage, Dignity, Determination

The presentation is available on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lNPfE-97a80





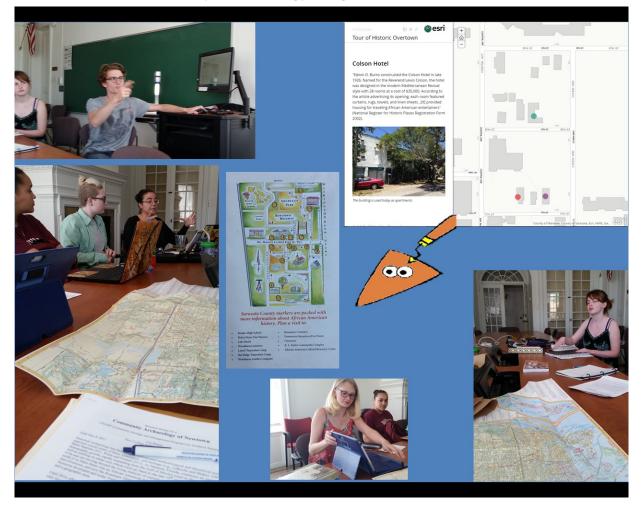
COORAGE . DIGNITY . DETERMINATION



In the lead up the March presentation, students helped with the unveiling ceremony for the heritage interpretation signs for Newtown Alive Planning a Potential NCPAL Program **The First Steps are in a Classroom** *Historical Archaeology*, Spring 2017

The success of the Newtown Historic Conservation District Project led to Newtown Alive and a Question: Can NCPAL contribute to his endeavor?

Students in *Historical Archaeology* worked on a Research Design for a potential Community Archaeology Program for Newtown



The Research Design will be shared with community members. Dialogues and discussions are being planned for next academic year. For the students, experience in planning a program



Is Virtual Reality in NPCAL Future?

Another first step this year:

Discussions with the Jane Bancroft Cook Library on the possibilities for a Virtual Reality Lab—possible tutorial in Fall 2017 and ISP 2018

## **Educational Outreach**



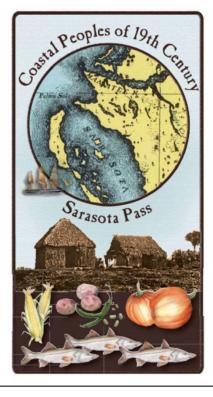
PUSH SUCCESS at NCPAL June 2016 Contributing to Professor Sandra Gilchrist's Program

Session led by FPAN



The Archaeological Process as a means to teach on the scientific approach, archaeology, and the regional heritage for the Gulf of Mexico







Continual access to digital representations of regional heritage. NCPAL efforts at digital representations is a hallmark of the 19th-century Coastal Peoples program

Continuing Partnerships with the Florida Public Archaeology Network-West Central Region

## FPAN Workshops at NCPAL

Heritage Scouts—March 2017









## Archaeological Illustration—April 2017





## Using NCPAL as a Research Space: Ethics and Practice for Undergraduate Training in Anthropology



Boston University Professor Emerita Vivian Johnson explaining her involvement with the Boston African Meeting House Excavations, April 2017

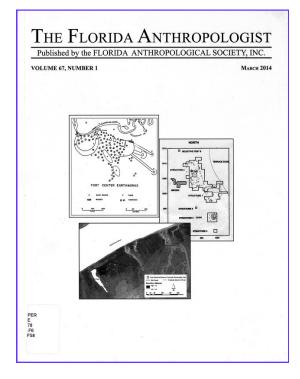
Students willing to abide by the code of ethics for professional anthropological organizations are invited to study objects of regional heritage in NCPAL. NCPAL has reached loan agreements with Sarasota County Historic Resources, the South Florida Museum, and the Bureau of Archaeological Research for students to use archaeological collections. Journals, site reports, and books on regional heritage are also available for study.





Learning to flintknap and throw with an atlatl—some of the informal activities this year at NCPAL

George Luer Database Project



Michele Loge presented on the uses of GIS in archaeology in Fall 2016





# Opening the Doors: Some of the Visitors to NCPAL



Admissions-January 2017





Filming for New College Communications

Visit by Professors and Students from Touring Black Religion in the "New" South, a Williams College winter-term course

### New College support for NCPAL

New College Foundation Fundraising includes NCPAL

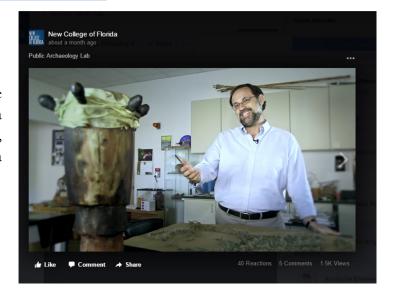




NCPAL as a Special Program on the New College of Florida website

#### **PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY LAB**

February 2017 New College Office of Communications commissioned a 40- second video on NCPAL, posted on social media





April 2017 New College Stories featured Mallory Fenn, alum who returned to lead a PFAN workshop in archaeological illustration and share insights with current students at NCPAL

## Presentations by NCPAL Director

Director Baram's Academic Presentations based on NCPAL projects:

- 2016 Managing Archaeological Heritage in the Experience Economy. Departmental (Anthropology) Seminar, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.
- 2016 Invited Participant in Relevance and Application of Heritage in Contemporary Society Workshop, funded by Wenner-Gren and Boise State University, held at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada.
- 2017 New Technologies for the Past Coming Fast in the Future: Digital Archaeology on Florida's Gulf Coast. STEMinar hosted by Whitaker Center for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education. Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers.





Public Presentations related to NCPAL Projects:

• 2016 A River Runs Through Sarasota: Honoring the Many Histories Along the Phillippi Creek. For Plymouth Harbor, Sarasota.

•2016 Remembering the Apalachicola River Maroons of 1816: Heritage, Archaeology, and Digital Reconstructions. With Vickie Oldham and Edward Gonzalez-Tennant. Center for History, Culture, and Art, Apalachicola, Florida.

• 2016 Remembering the Manatee River Maroons of 1821: Heritage, Archaeology, and Digital Reconstructions. With Vickie Oldham and Edward Gonzalez-Tennant. Manatee County Central Library, Bradenton.

•2016 Piecing the Sherds Together: Archaeology in the Pursuit of Heritage and Social Justice. Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

• 2016 The Many Histories along Phillippi Creek. Dedication of Interpretive Signage at Phillippi Estate Park, Sarasota.

• 2017 A History No Longer Silenced: Angola on the Manatee River. Joint Meeting of the Vassar Club and the Wellesley Club, Sarasota.

• 2017 Tragedy and Survival on the early 19th-century Florida Gulf Coast: History and Archaeology of the Freedom-

Seeking Peoples Known as Black Seminoles. For Southwest Florida Archaeological Society, Fort Myers.

- 2017 Introduction for Newtown Alive: Courage. Determination. Dignity. New College of Florida
- 2017 Introduction for Newtown Alive: Revitalization or Gentrification? New College of Florida



