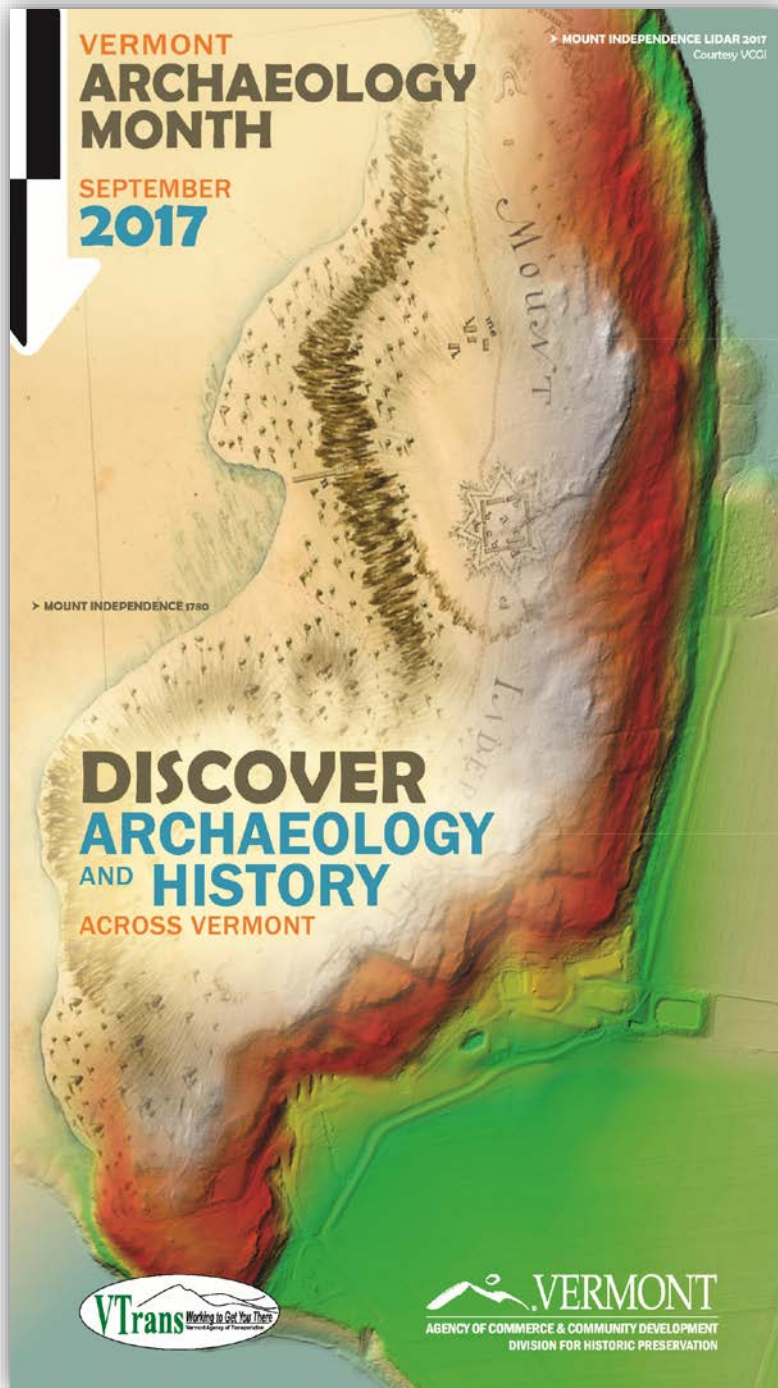


# Vermont Archaeology Month

*In its 22<sup>nd</sup> year*

## 2017 Calendar of Events



– Events listed by date –

**Strong Ground 5k Walk**

Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am – 1:00pm  
Mount Independence State Historic Site  
497 Mount Independence Road  
Orwell, VT 05760

\*Cost: \$20.00; pre-registration suggested, call (802) 948-2000 for details

Enjoy the trail system and support the Mount Independence Coalition at this fundraiser for education and special programming efforts. Registration Fee includes commemorative T-shirt, admission to Soldiers Atop the Mount, and a simple lunch.

**Soldiers Atop the Mount**

Saturday and Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am – 3:30pm  
Mount Independence State Historic Site  
497 Mount Independence Road  
Orwell, VT 05760

\*Cost: \$6.00 admission

Step back to 1776 as reenactors take over the Mount, honoring the 240th anniversary of the American, British and German occupation of the Mount. Call (802) 948-2000 for details.

**ECHO Pottery Demonstration**

Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00pm  
ECHO Leahy Center for Lake Champlain  
1 College Street  
Burlington, VT 05401

\*Free with ECHO Center admission

Get your hands muddy with archaeologist and potter Charlie Paquin as he guides you through Native American pottery construction techniques while making your very own pinch pots and coil bowls.

**ECHO Artifact Roadshow and Flintknapping Demonstration**

Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00pm  
ECHO Leahy Center for Lake Champlain  
1 College Street  
Burlington, VT 05401

\*Free with ECHO Center admission

Bring your prehistoric finds for experimental archaeologist Charlie Paquin to identify and analyze. Charlie will also demonstrate how Native Americans shaped projectile points utilizing the ancient technique of flintknapping.

### **Hike into History**

Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00 – 4:00pm  
Mount Independence State Historic Site  
497 Mount Independence Road  
Orwell, VT 05760  
\*Free with museum admission

On this guided tour, walk in the footsteps of Revolutionary War soldiers. Wear walking shoes and dress for the weather.

### **Granite Festival**

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am – 4:00pm  
Vermont Granite Museum  
7 Jones Brothers Way  
Barre, VT 05641  
\*Cost: \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors, \$3.00 for children, \$10.00 for families, and free for museum members

Celebrate Central Vermont's granite heritage with music, exhibits, performances, and demonstrations by area stone workers.

### **Adult and Teen Pottery Workshop**

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00pm  
Kellogg-Hubbard Library  
135 Main Street  
Montpelier, VT 05602  
Free; limited to 12 people. Pre-register by calling (802) 223-3338.

Join archaeologist and potter Charlie Paquin as he leads a hands-on workshop demonstrating the techniques used by Native Americans of Vermont to build and decorate clay vessels. Pre-registration required.

### **Silver Lake History Hike**

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am – 1:00pm  
Silver Lake  
Meet at the public parking lot (Silver Lake trailhead) on Rt 53, south of Branbury State Park  
Free; Children under 16 should be accompanied by an adult.

Researcher & author Bill Powers and retired National Forest archaeologist Dave Lacy will lead a hike to Silver Lake where they will highlight the history & archaeology of the area, from evidence of Native American use and the story of the 19th century settlement, to the development of a popular hotel/retreat on the lake shore, the 100th anniversary of a power generation dam & network, and several decades of National Forest management. Bill will be armed with a collection of historic photographs. PLEASE BRING water, lunch, appropriate walking shoes, & bug repellent and sunscreen if desired. Well-behaved (voice command or leashed) dogs welcome to join us.

### **“Meaning of the Revolutionary War’s Northern Campaign”**

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 – 3:00pm  
Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site  
5696 Monument Hill Road  
Hubbardton, VT 05735  
\*Free with museum admission

Historian and site interpreter Paul Andriscin offers an illustrated talk on the meaning of the Northern Campaign and its end, when the British surrendered in October 1777 after the Battle of Saratoga. What were the roles of the battles of Hubbardton and Bennington, and the defenses at Mount Independence in the campaign? Find out at this engaging talk.

### **Day of Remembrance**

Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am – 5:00pm  
Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site  
5696 Monument Hill Road  
Hubbardton, VT 05735  
Free

The site is open without charge on Patriot Day for those who wish to contemplate or honor past heroes.

### **“Recent Archaeological Investigations at the Galick Site, West Haven, VT”**

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center  
Community Room  
60 Washington Street  
Barre, VT 05641  
Free

Matt Moriarty will present the ongoing results of the South Champlain Historical Ecology Project's excavations at the Galick site, which has indicated that humans have been interacting with the landscape starting as early as 11,000 years ago and continuing up until the present day.

## **“Vermont Archaeology: History, Paradigms, and Current Directions”**

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:00pm  
Bennington College  
Center for Advancement of Public Action  
One College Drive  
Bennington, VT 05257  
Free

Archaeologist Charlie Paquin's presentation will describe the changes in archaeological theory and practice in the Northeast from the beginnings of the discipline to the present day. Charlie will share what has been going on in Vermont since "the New Archaeology", the Historic Preservation Act, and the rise of Public Archaeology, and will discuss where things are headed with post-modernism, Native American issues and participation, and interpretive tools such as ethnoarchaeology and experimental work.

## **“Archaeological Research in West Haven, VT”**

Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm  
MacLure Library  
84 Arch Street  
Pittsford, VT 05763  
Free

The South Champlain Historical Ecology Project (SCHEP) was started in 2015 to investigate prehistoric Native American sites around the southern end of Lake Champlain. This area is one of the most ecologically diverse and historically significant settings within the state of Vermont, but is also an area where almost no archaeology has been conducted. Elly Moriarty will present what preliminary excavations have demonstrated about the humans interacting with this special landscape starting as early as 11,000 years ago and continuing up until the present day. We invite you to come and learn more about our project and how to volunteer if you are interested!

## **Galick Site Open House**

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am – 2:00pm  
Buckner Preserve  
1500 Galick Road  
West Haven, VT 05743  
Free

Join Castleton University archaeologist Matt Moriarty and other project team members at an informal presentation of artifacts and results from the first and second seasons of archaeological research at the Galick site in West Haven.

## **Owl Prowl & Night Ghost Hike**

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
Little River State Park

3444 Little River Road  
Waterbury, VT 05676  
Meet at the History Hike Lot  
Free through the support of the Vermont Archaeological Society

Search for creatures of the dusk and visit 19th Century settlement ruins. Sturdy footwear and flashlight required.

### **“Recent Archaeological, Geospatial, and Historical Insights into Mount Independence”**

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm  
Mount Independence State Historic Site  
497 Mount Independence Road  
Orwell, VT 05760  
\*Free with museum admission

Members of the University of Vermont Consulting Archaeology Program will present new archaeological, geospatial, mapping, and historical research about the occupations of Mount Independence and the Americans' attempt to retake the Mount in the summer of 1777.

### **Family Walking Tour: Abenaki Life on the Winooskitogok**

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:30am  
Heritage Winooski Mill Museum  
20 Winooski Falls Way, Suite 302  
Winooski, Vermont 05404  
Free

Take a step back in time on this kid friendly walk along the Winooski River (also known as the Winooskitogok or Onion River). Discover what life was like for Native Americans in Winooski long before Ira Allen developed the land. Archaeologist Brennan Gauthier will lead the walk and point out historically significant sites. Stops will include child friendly demonstrations and hands-on activities such as fishing, rope making, flint knapping, and an atlatl throwing contest. After the walk, participants are invited to visit the Heritage Winooski Mill Museum in the Champlain Mill. The event takes place rain or shine. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

### **Battlefield Hike**

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 – 5:00pm  
Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site  
5696 Monument Hill Road  
Hubbardton, VT 05735  
\*Free with museum admission

Trek around the Hubbardton Battlefield with long-time reenactor Bob Franzoni. You will explore the main points of the battle, military tactics, key personalities of the battle, and see a replica soldier's kit. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather.

## **“The Archaeology of the Intervale”**

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm  
Ethan Allen Homestead  
1 Ethan Allen Homestead  
Burlington VT 05408  
Free; donations accepted

State Archaeologist Jess Robinson will present an overview of the Burlington Intervale area from the earliest documented human presence dating to the Late Archaic Period, ca. 4,000 years ago, through to the early historic Euroamerican settlers of the area. A question and answer session will follow.

## **Hyperarchaeology Lightning Lectures**

Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 8:00pm  
Queen City Brewery Tasting Room  
703 Pine Street  
Burlington, VT 05401  
Free

Archaeologists and colleagues working around the world share their research in short presentations in rapid succession. These five-minute talks are given in a fun atmosphere and there will be time afterward for the presenters and attendees to chat.

## **“Insights into Early Chittenden County History”**

Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm  
Richmond Free Library  
201 Bridge Street  
Richmond, VT 05477  
Free

Brennan Gauthier, VTrans archaeologist, will present interesting documentary and archaeological evidence on various aspects of Chittenden County.

## **“An Archaeological History of Chittenden County”**

Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00pm  
Smilie Memorial Elementary School  
2712 Theodore Roosevelt Highway  
Bolton, VT 05676  
Free

State Archaeologist Jess Robinson will present an overview of Chittenden County's Precontact Native American history from the arrival of its first inhabitants approximately 13,000 years ago through to their contact with Europeans. A question and answer session will follow.

## **Justin Morrill Excavation**

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00am – 3:00pm  
Justin S. Morrill State Historic Site  
214 Justin Morrill Memorial Highway  
Strafford, VT 05070  
\*Free with site admission

Come and see archaeologists and students from the University of Nebraska conduct an archaeological excavation on the grounds of the historic Justin Morrill homestead.

## **Atlatl Workshop**

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 12:00 – 5:00pm  
Chimney Point Historic Site  
8149 VT Route 17W  
Addison, VT 05491  
\*Cost: \$70.00; includes instruction and materials  
Pre-registration required. Please call (802)-759-2412.

Atlatl experts Bob and Cheryl Berg of Thunderbird Atlatl teach traditional and modern techniques of atlatl and dart construction, flint knapping, hafting stone points, and cordage making. Enjoy atlatl lore and coaching on the use of your new atlatl.

## **Vilas Bridge and Petroglyph LiDAR Scanning**

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00am – 3:00pm  
Vilas Bridge  
Bellows Falls, VT  
Free

Archaeologists and LiDAR technicians will be on-site scanning the Vilas Bridge and the Native American petroglyphs adjacent to them. Come see them in action and ask questions about the process and the rich history of the Bellows Falls area.

## **22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Northeastern Open Atlatl Championship**

Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10:30am – 4:30pm  
Chimney Point State Historic Site  
8149 VT Route 17W  
Addison, VT 05491  
\*Competitors: \$7.00 pre-register, \$8.00 same-day registration. Please call 802-759-2412 to pre-register.  
\*Visitors: \$5.00 for adults, free for under 15 years

Participate in or watch this annual atlatl championship testing skills in accuracy and distance. The sport of using the atlatl to throw darts is based on the ancient hunting technique. Newcomers to experts welcome.



Children's activities, exhibits, workshops and demonstrations on flintknapping, Woodland pottery, and other crafts and skills will be available. Call 802-759-2412 for details.

### **Splint Basswood Basket Workshop**

Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am – 5:30pm

Chimney Point State Historic Site

8149 VT Route 17W

Addison, VT 05491

\*Cost: \$60.00; limited to 15 students

Pre-registration required. Please call 802-759-2412.

Barry Keegan offers this basket workshop, teaching you to weave with splints of basswood with the outer bark still attached. Finished basket approximately 10" tall. Keegan also demonstrates how baskets were made with stone tools. Pre-registration required.

### **Points of Interest: Lake Champlain Bridge Guided Walk**

Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00pm

Chimney Point State Historic Site

8149 VT Route 17W

Addison, VT 05491

\*Cost: \$6.00

Learn the history of what surrounds you as you walk across the Lake Champlain Bridge. Chimney Point site administrator Elsa Gilbertson and Crown Point site manager Michael Roets lead this guided round trip walk. Meet at Chimney Point. Rain or shine, dress for the weather.

### **“The Early Native History of the Upper Connecticut River”**

Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

Davies Memorial Library

532 Maple Street

Lower Waterford, VT 05848

Free

Jess Robinson will present an overview of the early Native History of the upper Connecticut River and adjacent areas, focusing on early and often overlooked documentary and archaeological evidence.

### **Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center Open House and Abenaki Drum Workshop**

Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 2:00pm

Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center

Community Room

60 Washington Street

Barre, VT 05641  
Free

Come and visit the Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center and participate in an Abenaki drum workshop with Melody Brook.

### **“Explorations in Vermont Archaeology”**

Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:00pm  
Georgia Public Library  
1697 Ethan Allen Highway  
Fairfax, VT 05454  
Free

Vermont Agency of Transportation archaeologists will present three separate topics about Vermont’s rich archaeological heritage including the Judge Milford Smith Artifact Collection and the underwater archaeology of Lake Champlain.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Annual James B. Petersen Lecture**

Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:00pm  
University of Vermont  
Williams Hall, 301  
Burlington, VT 05405  
Free

Please join us for the 5th annual James B. Petersen lecture. Dr. John Krigbaum from the University of Florida - Gainesville will discuss aspects of his recent bioarchaeological research.

### **Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area Exhibit Opening**

Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm  
Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area  
966 VT-17  
Addison, VT 05491  
Free

The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department’s new Dead Creek Visitor Center in Addison houses a small collection of artifacts from the Champlain Valley, and a timeline discussing how humans have interacted with the natural world through time.

### **Montshire Museum of Science Archaeology Day**

Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am – 4:00pm  
Montshire Museum of Science

1 Montshire Road  
Norwich, VT 05055  
\*Free with Museum Admission

How did Vermonters live in the past? What tools did they make and how did they make them? What has happened in the Upper Connecticut Valley during the last 12,900 years, and, most importantly, how do we know? Find out for yourself at Archaeology Day—a day-long celebration of us—the humans! Examine real artifacts in our discovery lab, watch stone tool and pottery making demonstrations, be your own history detective at our site clues simulation, get your hands messy at the pottery workshop, throw an atlatl, and talk to real local archaeologists!

### **“What’s Under Your Feet?”**

Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:00am  
Bixby Memorial Free Library  
258 Main Street  
Vergennes, VT 05491  
Free

Whether you live in a rural or urban setting in Vermont, there are clues and hints of who lived here before you. This demonstration includes hands-on exploration of artifacts.