Department of the Interior Consulting Archeologist Accepts New Position

Stanley C. Bond, NPS Chief Archeologist and Department of the Interior Consulting Archeologist, has accepted a position as the Superintendent of DeSoto National Memorial. Bond came to Washington, DC, in 2011 from Kennesaw Mountain NBP in Georgia, where he was Superintendent.

A native of Beaufort, South Carolina, Bond earned a B.A. in Anthropology and a B.Sc. in Geology from the University of Alabama and a M.A. and Ph.D. in Anthropology from the State University of New York at Albany. He has worked on prehistoric and historic archeological sites throughout the East, Southeast, Caribbean, and Hawaii. He was an archeologist for the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board and the U.S. Army Environmental Center and an adjunct instructor at Flagler College in Florida. In 2013, he received the City of St. Augustine de Aviles Award in recognition of his role in developing the St. Augustine Archaeological Protection Ordinance on its 25th anniversary.

Bond has served as the Integrated Resources Manager for Kaloko-Honokohau NHP in Hawaii and Superintendent of the Juan Bautista de Anza NHT in California and Arizona. Bond received the Trish Patterson Student Conservation Association Award for Natural Resource Management in a Small Park in 2001 for intervention with the Hawaii Land Use Commission on development upslope of Kaloko-Honokohau NHP. The Commission placed 28 restrictions on the developer to protect pristine park waters.

Bond states, “I am extremely proud of the work regional and park archeologists do to preserve and interpret NPS cultural resources. Their dedication to protecting archeological sites in the face of increasing visitation, park development, and the addition of park units and lands is to be commended. In Washington, DC, I have been extremely fortunate to lead a team of highly qualified professional archeologists and am especially proud of our management and updating of the NPS national archeology site database; outreach to diverse audiences; improved policy, guidance, and best practices documents; digital footprint; and program accessibility to regions and parks. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as Chief Archeologist and it has been a great learning experience.”

De Soto National Memorial, west of Bradenton, Florida, commemorates the 1539 landing of Hernando de Soto. The memorial encompasses 26 acres where the Manatee River joins Tampa Bay.

The Federal Archeologist’s Bookshelf: will be back soon

Grand Jury Indicts Two on Charges of Defacing archeological Sites

Two Elko, Nevada, men have been indicted by a federal grand jury on charges they defaced an archeological site. Daniel Plata and Jonathan Pavon are each charged with conspiracy, destruction of government property, and unauthorized damage, alteration or defacement of archeological resources.
A release from the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Nevada alleges Pavon posted a video on his Instagram account showing Plata vandalizing property in a trio of incidents. The third involved the defacing of rock formations within the White River Narrows Archaeological District in the Basin and Range National Monument. Pavon acted as a lookout while Plata spray-painted on rock formations that contained petroglyphs. The Bureau of Land Management investigated the case.

*By Glenn Puit, Las Vegas Review-Journal*

**A Message from the Archeology E-Gram Staff**

The Archeology E-Gram is uncharacteristically short this month. Because of the Coronavirus pandemic, Archeology Program staff in Washington, DC are all teleworking. Among our friends, neighbors, and families are people who, through age and health factors, are at greater risk for complications should they contract the virus. We stay home to keep them healthy!

Wherever you are, and whatever you are doing, we hope that you and your loved ones are healthy and safe.

**GRANTS AND TRAINING**

**NAGPRA Grants Now Available for FY20**

The National NAGPRA Program is currently accepting applications for Repatriation grants. The deadline to apply is April 10, 2020.

For more information, go to [https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nagpra/grant-opportunities.htm](https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nagpra/grant-opportunities.htm).

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**National Park Service Offers Innovative Photography Techniques for Archeologists**

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training is offering Innovative Photography Techniques for Archeologists and Historic Preservationists June 22 - June 26, 2020, at Mesa Verde National Park. The objectives of the course are to provide archeologists and other cultural resources professionals with methods and technologies to become better photographers. Learn to fully exploit your camera capabilities and know when and how to use the right camera for the specific job.

Topics include:

- Camera basics and light
- Advanced methods
- Digital High Dynamic Range (HDR) Photography
- Architectural photography
- Reflective Transformation Imaging (RTI)
- Close Range Photogrammetry
- Drone-acquired Aerial Photography
- Thermal and Near-Infrared Aerial Photography

Instructors include Neil Dixon, The Front Standard Photography; David Knoerlin, FDI Precision Photography; Jesse Casana, Dartmouth University. The photography classroom sessions will be held on the old Mesa Verde Research Center building. The cost is $500.

Lodging is available within Mesa Verde National Park at the Far View Lodge. A promotional rate is now available for reservations in (800.449.2288) and online ([www.visitmesaverde.com](http://www.visitmesaverde.com)) with PHOTO20 as the promo code. 22- 25, 2020.
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Workshop on Archeology of Firearms: Insights into the Human Past
The NPS National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT), the Springfield Armory NHS, and the Friends of NCPTT are sponsoring the Archeology of Firearms August 18-20, 2020. The workshop will demonstrate methods for studying firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition components found in archeological contexts, and the information, analytical techniques, and approaches used to understand the material residues of guns and investigate human behaviors that involved firearms use.

The meeting will be in the visitors center of the Springfield Armory NHS.

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