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Archeological Excavation Open House at Mound City

For only the second time in the last 50 years a portion of Mound City Group's earthen wall will be excavated by archeologists. Ever wonder what it is like to be an archeologist or witness an archeological dig yourself? Now is your chance!

June 22 through July 1 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, archeologists Dr. James Brown from Northwestern University and Dr. Mark Lynott from the National Park Service's Midwest Archeology Center will be conducting an excavation on the southeast corner of the site's square earthen wall.

The last time Mound City was excavated it was conducted by Dr. James Brown in 1963 at the southeast corner of Mound City's earthen wall. On June 22, 2009 Dr. Mark Lynott will expose the southeast corner once again to learn about how these ancient engineers constructed Mound City's square wall. Visitors are encouraged to come to Mound City and witness the archeologists' progress first-hand. During this event, visitors can ask the archeologists' questions and see how archaeological research is done.

Hopewell Culture National Historical Park is located at 16062 State Route 104, Chillicothe, Ohio, 45601. If you have any questions or would like more information please call (740) 774-1126 or visit www.nps.gov/hocu.

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