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## Hopewell Culture News Release

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### Guided Walk at Seip Earthworks

Prehistory Hike of Seip Earthworks

August 7, 2010, 9:00 – 11:00 am

Two thousand years ago, the prehistoric Hopewell people built many enormous geometric earthwork complexes in southern Ohio. Seip Earthworks is a classic example of Hopewell activity. Come walk the grounds of this ancient sacred area with a national park ranger to learn what archaeologists have discovered about the Hopewell culture through excavations here over the last century. Little remains of the two miles of 10 foot high earthen walls that enclosed an area over 120 acres, but the Seip-Pricer Mound at the center of the enclosure is the largest restored Hopewell burial mound in existence.

Walking the grounds of Seip Earthworks will give the visitor a sense of the enormity of this Hopewell endeavor.

Program begins at 9:00 am, July 3, 2010, and lasts two hours. Meet at Seip Mound on U.S. Rt. 50 near Paint Valley High School, 2.5 mi. east of Bainbridge, 5 miles west of Bourneville. Admission is free.

Hikers should wear long pants, sturdy walking shoes and bring water. This walk is part of a Summer Saturday Hike series offered by Hopewell Culture National Historical Park to four prehistoric earthworks in the area. Please call 740-774-1126 for additional information.

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