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Archaeology

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*Education opportunities
for adults, youth and teachers*

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Questions about program content?

Call or write MVAC's Public
Outreach Program at:

MVAC
1725 State Street
La Crosse, WI 54601
608-785-8454

MVAC Programs are offered in
partnership with UW-La Crosse
Continuing Education and
Extension





MVAC Web Update

MVAC's website contains all the latest news and information on upcoming events, recent excavations and youth programs. For a complete list of ongoing and past research, resources, presentations and much more - check out MVAC's web site at:

www.uwlax.edu/mvac

Displays

Archaeology Center and Laboratories

Visit the laboratory facility to see exhibits containing many important findings from recent excavations, and paintings depicting the lifestyle of this area's previous inhabitants. The building may be closed on some days when all staff members are in the field. Please check in advance to ensure that the building will be open by calling 608-785-8454.

Free admission.

Dates: Monday through Friday

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: Archaeology Center and Laboratories, UW-La Crosse

Riverside Museum

Visit La Crosse's Riverside Museum to see exhibits pertaining to the city's long history, from the area's first inhabitants over 10,000 years ago to life during the steamboat era. Fee.

Dates: Memorial Day through Labor Day

Time: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Location: Riverside Park,
La Crosse, WI





PUBLIC EVENTS

Public Events

Artifact Show

Come to Valley View Mall and see artifacts representing the area's long history. Local collectors will display their personal collections of artifacts. See artifacts recovered from local excavations. Archaeologists will be on hand to answer questions. Bring in your own artifacts for help in their identification. Call MVAC at 608-785-8454 if you would like to display your artifacts.

Date: Saturday, March 13, 2010
Time: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: Valley View Mall,
La Crosse, WI

Archaeological Research at Troy: Recent Discoveries

This presentation examines the archaeology, art, and legend of the Bronze Age archaeological site called Troy in northwestern Turkey. Who were the Trojans? Was there a Trojan War? How did later inhabitants of Ilion, the provincial town of the historical period built on the prehistoric ruins, perceive their city's past? Recent discoveries from ongoing fieldwork at Troy provide new ways to examine these enduring research questions.

E-mail or call MVAC at (608) 785-8454 or dowiasch.jean@uwlax.edu for more information.

Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Ward Room, Cartwright Center, UW-La Crosse

Speaker: Dr. William Aylward
Associate Professor,
Classics Department,
University of Wisconsin -
Madison





Public Events

Member Field Survey Opportunity

MVAC members are invited to volunteer to help survey local fields to find unreported archaeological sites. Each day will begin with an introduction at the archaeology laboratory, followed by helping with an actual field survey.

Finally, participants will end each day back at the archaeology laboratory to wash the artifacts recovered and learn more about their history. The number of participants is limited so register early. Children may participate if accompanied by an adult. Call MVAC at 608-785-8454 to register.

Date: Saturday and/or Sunday
May 1 or 2, 2010
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Location: Archaeology Center and Laboratories, UW-L
Fee: Free admission.

Advanced registration required!

Wisconsin Archaeology Month May 2010

A variety of activities will be offered throughout the state. The Wisconsin Historical Society's website will have a complete listing:

<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/hp/hp-week/index.asp>

Annual Reception

Members of MVAC are invited to attend our annual reception and awards presentation.

Date: To Be Announced
Time: To Be Announced
Location: To Be Announced

Award recipients to be announced.

*Are you interested in receiving more information
about credit and non-credit course offerings in your community?*

Call UW-L Continuing Education and Extension at (608) 785-6500



FIELD SCHOOLS

Field Schools

Public Archaeology Field Experience: multi-age

This multi-day event includes both field and lab experiences and is a well rounded opportunity for those who want to learn about the process of archaeology. Explore what it is like to participate in an actual archaeological excavation by working alongside professional archaeologists in the field. Participate in small-scale excavations (test units) and survey work. Lab work may include washing ceramics, stone tools, and other remains, and sorting them into basic categories. An experimental archaeology component of the event may explore making stone tools and pottery. Optional lab hours and local field trips will be available after regular field school hours. No previous experience is necessary.

This experience is open to high school students through adults. Fee includes a one year MVAC membership. Supervised dorm facilities are available for high school students at an additional cost of \$160 for 3 days and \$260 for 5 days. Cancellation prior to June 4, 2010 will receive a full refund minus a \$60 cancellation fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 4, 2010.

Three Day Experience:

Dates: Monday - Wednesday,
July 5 - 7, 2010
Time: 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
July 5: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: 259 Cartwright Center,
UW-La Crosse
Fee: \$350
Program Number: 41-44

Five Day Experience:

Dates: Monday - Friday,
July 5 - 9, 2010
Time: 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
July 5: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: 259 Cartwright Center,
UW-La Crosse
Fee: \$500
Program Number: 41-45

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance for youth and teen events may be available. Contact MVAC at (608) 785-8454 for more information.

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Field Schools



2009 Public Field School near Onalaska, WI.





YOUTH EVENTS

Youth Events

Introduction to Archaeology - grades 1-4

Discover the science of archaeology by participating in hand-on activities like those used by archaeologists out in the field.

Explore MVAC's Archaeology Laboratory, and discover how people lived in Wisconsin by checking out the artifacts that have been recovered in the area.

Cancellations prior to June 18, 2010 will receive a full refund minus a \$35 cancellation fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 18, 2010.

Dates: Monday, July 5, 2010
Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: 311 Wimberly Hall,
UW-La Crosse

Age: Students entering grades 1-4
Fee: \$65
Note: *Bring a lunch with drink,
snacks, and water bottle.*
Program Number: 41-40

Temples and Tombs of America grades 4-6

Discover the unique cultures of the Maya, Inca and Aztecs of Meso and South America. These early Americans built spectacular buildings, had a written language, and complex warrior rituals. Hands-on activities will include writing hieroglyphics, making a mask, and more! Hands-on activities emphasized.

Cancellations prior to June 18, 2010 will receive a full refund minus a \$35 cancellation fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 18, 2010.

Date: Tuesday, July 6, 2010
Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: 311 Wimberly Hall,
UW-La Crosse

Age: Students entering grades 4-6
Fee: \$65
Note: *Bring a lunch with drink and
snacks, and water bottle.*
Program Number: 41-43





Youth Events

Introduction to Archaeology - grades 5-9

Explore MVAC's Archaeology Laboratory and work with artifacts recovered from area excavations as an introduction to the science of archaeology. Discover how the first Native Americans in Wisconsin survived using the natural resources found in our area. Students must take this class in order to attend the Middle School Field Experience class.

Cancellations prior to June 18, 2010 will receive a full refund minus a \$35 cancellation fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 18, 2010.

Dates: Wednesday, July 7, 2010
Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: 311 Wimberly Hall,
UW-La Crosse
Age: Students entering grades 5-9
Fee: \$65
Note: *Bring a lunch with drink
snacks, and a water bottle.*

Middle School Field Experience - grades 5-9

Take your excitement for archaeology to the field! Students who have taken the Introduction to Archaeology class in the past can join a La Crosse area project. Participants will work alongside professional archaeologists in the field. Activities may include shovel testing and/or small-scale excavations (test units). Weather may require alternate activities.

Cancellations prior to June 18, 2010 will receive a full refund minus a \$60 cancellation fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 18, 2010.

Dates: Thursday - Friday,
July 8 - 9, 2010
Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: 311 Wimberly Hall,
UW-La Crosse
Age: Students entering grades 5-9
Fee: \$150
Note: *Bring a lunch with drink and
snacks, water bottle, insect
repellent and sun screen. Wear
comfortable walking shoes and
clothes that can get dirty.*

Program Number: 41-42

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance for youth and teen events may be available. Contact MVAC at (608) 785-8454 for more information.





MVAC REGISTRATION

Registration

Enrollment is limited to 13 - 25 participants per activity. The Field School registration deadline is one month in advance. All other activity deadlines are two weeks before the event. See activity description for specific cancellation dates. Early registration is recommended. Full payment is required with the completed registration form. If activities are cancelled in the event of low enrollment, fees will be reimbursed.

For programs that are free of charge, but require advanced registration, call or write MVAC's Public Outreach Program at 608-785-8454, MVAC, 1725 State Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

For classes that have a registration fee (including all youth programs), return this brochure's registration form, along with your payment, to Continuing Education Registration, 205 Morris Hall, UW-La Crosse, La Crosse, WI 54601. You may use your MasterCard or VISA to register by phone by

calling UW-L Continuing Education at 608-785-6508. Activity fees cover class materials and transportation to and from the event site, if off campus. Lunch is not included.

Youth Activity Information

Activity leaders are MVAC staff members. Activities are geared to specific age groups. Participants should bring a snack and lunch (with beverage) to all activities. For those activities involving field trips, parents/guardians of youth required by WI law to use booster seats must bring a booster seat to the start of class or the child will not be allowed to participate in the class (registration fee will not be refunded).

Youth Activity Insurance

Youth participants are encouraged to have their own health insurance as limited accident insurance is provided by the university. The University of Wisconsin - La Crosse or the Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center are not liable for medical cost incurred that are not covered by this insurance policy.

Disability Access

To request disability accommodations contact Jean Dowiasch at (608) 785-8454.

Become a member!

Consider becoming a member of MVAC. As you can see, MVAC's innovative public outreach program brings the excitement of archaeology to hundreds of children and adults each year. The success of our program depends entirely on support from friends like you. Please consider becoming a member of MVAC. Members are the first to know about upcoming events and new discoveries through our regular mailings.

For more information, write or call MVAC, 1725 State Street, La Crosse, WI 54601; 608-785-8454.

Return the application form below, along with your method of payment (checks should be made payable to UW-La Crosse) to: Continuing Education Registration, 205 Morris Hall, UW-L, La Crosse, WI 54601. Or call 608-785-6508.



Attach additional sheet if necessary

MVAC/UW-La Crosse Adult and Youth

ARCHAEOLOGY APPLICATION FORM

Program title: Program number: Fee:

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Total Amount Enclosed

Name:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Daytime Phone: Home Phone:

E-Mail Address: Fax:

Form of payment (circle one) MasterCard VISA American Express check enclosed

Credit Card # Exp. Date

Cardholder's Signature Please Print Name of Cardholder

For youth participants:

E-Mail Address: Fax:

Grade entering in Fall 2010: School:

Custodial parent at time of event:

Address and telephone number, if different from above:

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The University of Wisconsin asks that you respond to this short survey. The demographic information will be used to enhance our non-credit/CEU programming efforts.

Gender: Male Female

Race/Ethnicity:

- Black (not of Hispanic origin)
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Hispanic
- White (not of Hispanic origin)

Age:

- Under 18 18 - 34 35 - 49
- 50 - 64 65+

Occupation/Organization

- Agriculture/Forestry
- Education Services
- Engineering/Architecture
- Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
- Health Services
- Public Administration
- Retail Trade
- Social, Recreation & Religious Services
- Transportation, Communication, Utilities
- Wholesale trade
- Other





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