

Living Archaeology Weekend

Teacher's Resources

2010 Update



Archaeology Education Resource Guide Now Online

Earlier this year, the Kentucky Archaeological Survey launched an extensive, easy-to-use digital guide chocked-full of great archaeology education resources. It replaces the old resource guide you may have seen, called *Resources for Teaching About Archaeology, Kentucky Prehistory, and Kentucky's Native Peoples; and About Kentucky History Using Archaeology and Local History Sources*. This makes it easier for teachers to bring Kentucky archaeology into their classrooms. This new updated digital guide includes information on: Books, Magazines, Videos, Virtual Tours, Hands-on Activities, Places to Visit in Kentucky, and Fieldwork Opportunities. Check it out on the KAS website: <http://heritage.ky.gov/kas/Educator+Resource+Guide.htm>

Newest Booklet in the Kentucky Archaeology Education Series

The tenth booklet in the Series is now available.

Frankfort's Forgotten Cemetery, by David Pollack, A. Gwynn Henderson, and Peter E. Killoran, is the most ambitious booklet in the series to date: full-color, 72-page, larger-format. It reports on the re-discovery of a mid-nineteenth century cemetery that lay beneath buildings and parking lots in the shadow of Kentucky's Old State Capitol in downtown Frankfort until March 11, 2002, when building construction uncovered human bones. Three months later, archaeologists, bio-anthropologists, and volunteers had documented over 240 graves. This publication represents the culmination of thousands of hours of research by, historical archaeologists, bio-anthropologists, and forensic artists who painstakingly analyzed the human remains and artifacts recovered from the Old Frankfort Cemetery.

Throughout much of its history, the Old Frankfort cemetery was an integrated burial ground for Frankfort's working-class people of African, European, and mixed heritage. This booklet illustrates what can be learned from the study of human bones and provides portraits of some of the deceased by the project's forensic artist.

The Kentucky Archaeology Education Series offers booklets written for the general public on Kentucky archaeological sites and topics. They are available from the Kentucky Archaeological Survey, 1020-A Export Street, Lexington, KY, 40506-9854. Prices vary between \$3.00 and \$10.00, but teachers can request a free single copy for classroom use, and discounts are available for 25 or more. Funds from the sale of these booklets are used to reprint them. To view a list of the booklets, and to order copies, go to <http://heritage.ky.gov/kas/pubsvids/puborient.htm>

New Look and New Information on Kentucky Project Archaeology Webpages

Kentucky *Project Archaeology* recently updated its webpages with new information about the program, its offerings, and its history. Also available at the site are downloadable lesson plans (some of which you have seen, as a Living Archaeology Weekend participating teacher). To see the new pages and content, go to <http://heritage.ky.gov/kas/projarch.htm>

Project Archaeology is a comprehensive archaeology and heritage education program for everyone interested in learning or teaching about our nation's rich cultural legacy and protecting it for future generations to learn from and enjoy. Using an innovative, hands-on approach to history, the program teaches scientific inquiry, citizenship, personal ethics and character, and cultural understanding. It uses archaeological inquiry to foster understanding of past and present cultures; improve social studies and science education; and enhance citizenship education to help preserve our archaeological legacy.

Kentucky Archaeology Website Provides Easy Access to Hard-to-Fine Information

If you are looking for hard-to-find facts about Kentucky archaeology and history, about important archaeological sites across the Commonwealth, or educational resources targeting Kentucky, check out the **Kentucky Archaeology Website**: <http://heritage.ky.gov/kas/kyarchynew/>

It's organized in four major sections. The Overview presents general information about the Prehistoric and Historic eras in Kentucky. This is an excellent introduction to what archaeologists know about ancient American Indian cultures and the state's early history. Site Profiles has descriptions, images and educational resources about specific sites throughout the state. Research Summaries holds information and resources about specific research subjects, especially topics that incorporate data from several archaeological sites or features in the region. Educational Resources is an archive of additional educational resources including the popular Kentucky Archaeology video series, KAS publications, curriculum guides, and large format graphics.

New Video In Kentucky Archaeology Video Series

In January 2010, KET aired the newest video in this series: *Historic Archaeology: Beneath Kentucky's Fields and Streets*. Viewers travel to historic sites across the Commonwealth in this hour-long program that reveals what archaeologists have learned about the daily lives of Euro-American settlers, slaves, laborers, and immigrants during the 1800s in Kentucky. This documentary blends interviews with video, artifacts, archival photographs and original animation; and is presented in four segments based on archaeological periods: Frontier, Antebellum, Civil War and Industrialization. Each segment features key scientific discoveries made by Kentucky archaeologists over the past decade. Companion lessons for classroom are in development.

The program is available for purchase from the Kentucky Heritage Council for \$10 plus \$4 shipping and handling (<http://heritage.ky.gov/kas/pubsvids/VolumeThree.htm>). Unless otherwise noted, the video will be shipped in DVD format.

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