Program

FRIDAY, MARCH 28TH

6:00 pm  TIME TRAVEL AND RITUAL PERFORMANCE AT THE NUNNERY QUADRANGLE OF UXMAL, YUCATAN, MEXICO

Jeff Kowalski, School of Art, NIU

This talk will take place in Room 100 (lower level) of Jack Arends Hall (Visual Arts Building) at NIU

7:30 pm  Reception at Rosita's Mexican Restaurant, 642 E Lincoln Hwy, DeKalb, IL 60115

SATURDAY, MARCH 29TH (Location TBA)

9:00-9:30  Coffee and Light Breakfast, Cole Hall

9:30-9:40 am  Inauguration, Comments from Acting Provost Lisa Freeman and NIU conference organizers

9:40 am  MAPPING A NEW MEXICO, FROM NATIVE GENEALOGY TO CARTOGRAPHY

Delia Cosentino, DePaul University

10:05 am  AZTEC COLONIES: CONQUEST OR COMMERCE?

Donald McVicker, North Central College/Field Museum

10:30 am  WOMEN WHO SHAPE, MEN WHO PAINT: EXPLORING GENDERED POTTING RELATIONSHIPS AMONG P'URÉPECHA POTTERS

Amy J. Hirshman, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, West Virginia University
10:55-11:10 Break

11:10 am  **NIXTAMAL: MAIZE AND MESOAMERICAN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIES**  
John E. Staller, Independent Scholar

11:35 am  **ELVIS SIGHTED IN CLASSIC PERIOD VERACRUZ: CONVERGENCE OF MAIZE GOD IMAGERY AND LATE 20TH CENTURY POP ICON’S TONSURE**  
Thomas W. Killion, Wayne State University

12:00 pm  **TUXTLAS POLYCHROME: A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT**  
Philip J. Arnold III, Dept. of Anthropology, Loyola University Chicago

12:25 pm- 1:45 pm  Lunch Break

1:45 pm  **HEAD TO TAIL: MAYA DOG BREEDS AND DIET**  
Elizabeth Olson¹, Kitty Emery²,³ and John Krigbaum²  
¹Northern Illinois University, Department of Geology and Environmental Geosciences  
²University of Florida, Department of Anthropology  
³University of Florida, Florida Museum of Natural History

2:10 pm  **CULINARY DIVERSITY AND COMMONER HETEROGENEITY IN CLASSIC MAYA PALENQUE**  
Lauren Herckis, University of Pittsburgh

2:35 pm  **IN A BORROW’D NAME: THE KA’KABISH, LAMANAI, ALTUN HA CONNECTION?**  
Helen R. Haines, Trent University  
Kerry Sagebiel, Northern Illinois University

3:00 pm  **POWER IN THE PERIPHERY: THE CLASSIC TO POSTCLASSIC TRANSITION IN THE LAKE ATITLAN BASIN**  
Gavin Davies, University of Kentucky
3:25 pm  RITUAL SCULPTURE FROM THE LAST GREAT MAYA CITY

Khristin Landry, University of Illinois, Chicago

3:50-4:05 pm Break

4:05 pm  ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND ETHNOGRAPHIC CONTEXTS OF JAAY CERAMIC VESSELS IN THE MAYA AREA

Kerry Hull, BYU

4:30 pm  CHAK AKTUN: A MONUMENTAL MAYA PILGRIMAGE SHRINE AT LAKE MENSABAK, CHIAPAS

Joel Palka, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Chicago

4:55 pm  OF DOCUMENTARIES, DIALOGUES AND DISCIPLINES: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN AN ETHNOGRAPHIC FILM SERIES ON THE MAYA HIGHLANDS

Matthew Krystal, (Associate Professor of Anthropology) and Hale Ekinci (Assistant Professor of Art and Coordinator of Interactive Media Studies), North Central College

5:20 pm  Business Meeting and Closing

5:30 pm  Reception Fiesta, Cole Hall and Anthropology Museum

Organizers:  Jeff Kowalski, School of Art, NIU; Jennifer Kirker-Priest, Dept. of Anthropology, NIU; Kerry Sagebiel, Department of Anthropology, NIU; Winifred Creamer, Department of Anthropology, NIU.

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