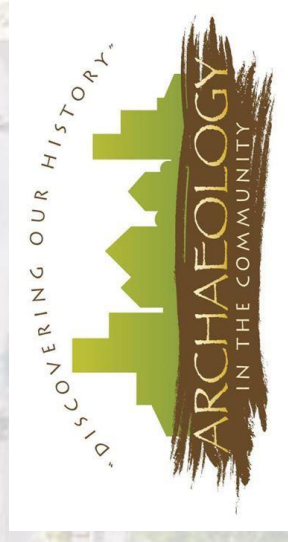


Baltimore Community Archaeology Lab

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My Background

- Ethnicity: German and Italian
- Education:
 - BA – Penn State University (2009)
 - MS – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (2012)
 - Ph.D. – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (2018)
- Work Experience:
 - Higher Ed since 2011
 - Cultural Resource Management 2011-2018
- Research Focus:
 - Communities of practice – specifically stone tools
 - Inter- and intra-regional communication and relations



History of Archaeology in Baltimore

- Richard Stearns and the Natural History Society of Maryland (1930-1968)
- Archeological Society of Maryland
 - Rudy Niemyer and Paul Cresthull (1970-1989)
- Baltimore Center for Urban Archaeology (1983-1997)



Current State of Archaeology in Baltimore

- Herring Run Archaeology Project
- Baltimore Heritage
 - We Dig Hampstead Hill (2014)
 - Lafayette Square (2011)
- An Archaeology of Baltimore



Problems to be Addressed

- Lack of local historic preservation regulations
- Lack of institutional support for archaeology
- Lack of space for processing and analysis
- Lack of focus on pre-contact people

Goals of the Community Archaeology Lab

- Creation of a physical laboratory and education space for community archaeology
- Establishment of a collaborative approach to pre-contact archaeology in the Baltimore area
 - A collaborative Indigenous archaeology field school
 - Collaborative construction of educational and documentary materials
- Development of a comprehensive archaeological survey plan for Baltimore City parks

Indigenous Collaborative Archaeology

- Geté Anishinaabe Izhichigéwin Community Archaeology Project (GAICAP) - Archaeological Field School
 - Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and North Dakota State University
- Eastern Pequot Archaeological Field School
 - Eastern Pequot Tribal Nation and University of Massachusetts Boston
- Field Methods in Indigenous Archaeology
 - Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and University of Washington
- Mohegan Field School
 - Mohegan Tribe, Connecticut College, University of Ontario

Steps Forward

- Listening sessions:
 - Wednesday, June 22 12:00-1:00 pm
 - [CAL Listening Session 1 Zoom Link](#)
 - Saturday, June 25 3:00-4:00 pm
 - [CAL Listening Session 2 Zoom Link](#)
 - Monday, June 27 7:00-8:00 pm
 - [CAL Listening Session 3 Zoom Link](#)
- Email me at ksterner@towson.edu