CALL FOR PAPERS

2022 AAC Fall Conference

Sept. 9; 8:30am-4:00pm
Flagstaff, AZ (location TBD)

Best Practices and Ethical Approaches to Arizona’s Archaeology

Archaeologists have long focused on developing better approaches to the methodology and interpretive frameworks of our discipline. Like archaeological communities across the country, Arizona archaeologists have strived to be at the forefront of such advances. Considering recent calls for increased focus on ethical approaches to archaeology and the protection and preservation of cultural resources in a multi-perspective and inclusive space, Arizona archaeology is primed to remain at the forefront of practice and industry. Addressing issues of sexual harassment, racial and social injustice, and gender equality as well as confronting our colonial legacy as a discipline is vital to contemporary practices and training. In addition, rising curation costs have encouraged practitioners to consider how to preserve Arizona’s cultural resources more efficiently without impeding development or sacrificing quality (e.g., fieldwork, artifact and data collection, respect for descendant communities). This year’s conference theme seeks to address these issues head-on to encourage best practices and ethical approaches that promote better preservation of Arizona’s cultural heritage going forward.

We invite submissions for presentations related to this year’s conference theme that focus on ethical, technical, and theoretical approaches to Arizona archaeology. Please submit presentation title and a 100-word abstract by August 1, 2022 to aacboard@gmail.com. If you have any questions about submissions or the conference, please contact Jim Watson at watsonjt@arizona.edu.
Draft Schedule

8:30-9:30am  Registration/Social Hour
9:30-11:30am  Podium Presentations (15 minutes each = 8 slots)
1:00-3:00pm  Podium Presentations (15 minutes each = 8 slots)
3:00-4:00pm  AAC Panel discussion: “Managing the Future: Training, Opportunities, and Directions in Arizona Archaeology”
4:00-6:00pm  Happy Hour