

Indiana Archaeology Outreach

Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology



The Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Div. of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), is the lead archaeological agency in our state. We are pleased to offer many varied and exciting outreach and education services and products regarding the science of archaeology.

Indiana Archaeology Month - This is an annual event, coordinated by the Division, which is always held during September. The event gives Hoosiers of all ages a chance to celebrate the contributions of archaeology in Indiana and to share knowledge about sites. Events are held all over the state, and they offer many types of opportunities to become involved in Archaeology. There will be a commemorative poster, free educational materials, a webpage, activities, and much more!



Publications- There are many free publications which are available for those interested in archaeology. We have materials for children as well as adults. These items include the following: Indiana's professional archaeology journal (*Indiana Archaeology*), *Early Peoples of Indiana*, reading lists, puzzles, games, lesson plans, information on archaeology laws, collecting artifacts, and much more!

Presentations- Our archaeology staff are asked quite frequently to give presentations to the public- from school age classrooms to senior citizen groups. When our other duties allow, we are pleased to give presentations on archaeology. Our archaeologists enjoy sharing information with the public about Indiana's prehistoric and historic cultures, and answering the many questions which people have!



Stewardship and Training- Our staff provides training sessions for land management and law enforcement personnel, and stewardship courses for the interested public and avocational archaeologists for learning about the state's archaeological heritage.

Site Recording- Our office records information on archaeological sites in Indiana and issues official state archaeological site numbers to be used by professionals, avocational archaeologists, and others wishing to record site information. We encourage the public to record archaeological site information because once identified, sites are easier to protect.

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