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Education

2013 MA Historical Administration, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois
1998 BA Anthropology, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Professional Appointments

Senior Architectural Archaeologist: 2019 – present

Illinois State Archaeological Survey. Responsibilities include supervision of all Architecture Section personnel in the survey, review, and evaluation of historical and architectural resources for NRHP consideration; coordinating efforts between the ISAS Statewide Office and IDOT to produce architectural inventories and research reports; and maintaining section project files and documentation. Additional responsibilities include assisting with the production of various ISAS and IDOT outreach projects such as social media posts and videos as needed.

Cultural Resources Research Specialist: 2017 – 2019

Illinois State Archaeological Survey. Responsibilities included supervision of the collection, analysis, and evaluation of historical and architectural information for cultural resource research reports.

Lab Director: 2005 – 2017

Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois. Responsibilities included supervision of lab activities, analysis and curation. Additional responsibilities included historic and architectural background research, report production, supervision of archaeological/architectural field survey and site testing.

Assistant Lab Specialist: 1999 – 2005

Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois. Responsibilities included processing and analysis of historic and prehistoric artifacts as well as archaeological field survey and site testing.

Exhibit Technician: 1998 – 1999

Kalamazoo Valley Museum, Kalamazoo Michigan

Responsibilities included the daily operation and maintenance of exhibits, as well as project assistance for the curator of design and the curator of collections.

Field Technician: 1996 – 1998

Southwest Michigan Historic Landscape Project, Department of Anthropology, Western Michigan University. Responsibilities included archival research, geophysical mapping, site excavation, processing and analysis of artifacts of the Fort St. Joseph (20BE23) and Warren G. Shepard (20CA104) sites.

Additional Education and Training

Cemetery Restoration Workshop, Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Section 106 Training Course, Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology
Managing Archaeological Collections Course, U.S. Department of the Interior
ArcGIS I & II Workshops, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Archaeological Field School, Western Michigan University

Architecture Section Reports and Report Components

2021 47 submitted
2020 30 submitted
2019 18 submitted
2018 11 submitted
2017 22 submitted

Selected Technical Reports

- 2021 **Michael Smith**, Laura Williams, and John Vogel. *Historic Resources Identification Report for the IAIS Railroad, Wyanet to Moline Addendum E, Bureau, Henry, Rock Island Counties, Illinois*. IDOT Seq. 17345E. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2020 Elizabeth Roman and **Michael Smith**. *Historic Resources Inventory, FAP 344/US 45 from Washington Street to IL 132 Lake County*. IDOT Seq. 21720. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2019 **Michael Smith** and Laura Williams. *Historic Resources Survey Report, FAP 42/IL 13/IL 127 Improvements, North of Murphysboro, Jackson County*. IDOT Seq. 21977. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2019 Megan Gilbert, Emilie Land, **Michael Smith** and Laura Williams. *Historic Resources Identification Report for the US 34, Gladstone to Gulfport-Preferred Alternative, Henderson County, Illinois*. IDOT Seq. 238D. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2018 *Historic Resources Survey Report for the IL 100/106 Illinois River Crossing Project, Pike and Scott Counties, Illinois*. IDOT Seq. 20790. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2016 Christopher Flynn, **Michael Smith**, and Sean Stretton. *National Register of Historic Places Evaluation of 11CN552 in Christian County, Illinois*. Research Report No. 187. Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2014 Kevin McGowan and **Michael Smith**. *Cultural Resources Reconnaissance of the Proposed Hermann Telecommunications Facility in Gasconade County, Missouri*. Project No. 14-173. Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2012 Christopher Flynn, **Michael Smith**, and Gregory Walz. *Phase I Archaeological Reconnaissance Survey of F.J. McLain State Park in Houghton County, Michigan*. Project No. 12-134. Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2010 Jodi Blumenfeld, Christopher Flynn, Virginia Hess, Kevin McGowan, and **Michael Smith**. *Investigations of the Snyder Cemetery (11MH493) in McHenry, Illinois*. Research Report No. 152. Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2009 Christopher Flynn, **Michael Smith**, and Gregory Walz. *National Register of Historic Places Eligibility Assessment of Fort Sully (14LV165): A United States Army Civil War-Era Fortification Constructed at Fort Leavenworth Kansas*. Research Report No. 143. Public Service Archaeology & Architecture Program, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Selected Publications

- 2013 Prehistory in the Local Museum: Making Connections. Technical Insert 185. *Illinois Heritage Association Newsletter* Vol. 31, No. 5. Illinois Heritage Association.
- 2012 Brian Adams, Alice Berkson, and Ilona Matovszki and **Michael Smith**. The Martin Homestead (11V924): Early Prosperity on the Wabash Border. *Illinois Archaeology* Vol. 24. Illinois Archaeological Survey.
- 2009 Doctor Syntax visits the Frontier: English Ceramic Exports to Illinois. *Illinois Antiquity* Vol. 44, No 3. Illinois Association for the Advancement of Archaeology.
- 2007 Reborn from the Ashes: The Link between the Phoenix Button and Frontier Illinois. *Illinois Antiquity* Vol. 42, No 1. Illinois Association for the Advancement of Archaeology.

Presentations

- 2019 Presentation delivered for the ISAS Brown Bag Lecture Series. *Re-examining 19th Century Brick Production in the Midwest* at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.
- 2018 Demonstration of the Emerald Acropolis site augmented reality app at the Ancient Cahokia Future Visions Conference at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.
- 2014 Discussant at the 10th Annual Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference. *The Future of the Past at Fort St. Joseph*, Niles, MI.
- 2013 Exhibit Curator, *Experiences of the Illinois Civil War Soldier: Reflections through Art and Artifacts*. Exhibit featured at the Tarble Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL.
- 2011 Presentation delivered at the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency's 13th Annual Conference on Illinois History. *History from the Ground up: Archaeology and the Origins of the Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site*, Springfield, IL.
- 2010 Co-organizer and Presenter of Eastern Illinois University's Historical Administration Symposium. *Reconstructing Lincoln Log Cabin: The Civilian Conservation Corps in Coles County*. Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site, Lerna, IL.
- 2010 **Michael Smith** and Gregory Walz. Presentation delivered at the 75th Annual Society for American Archaeology Meeting. *Fort Sully: Fortification in the Western Theater*, St. Louis, MO.
- 2006 Brian Adams and **Michael Smith**. Presentation delivered at the 52nd Annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. *The Martin Homestead: Early Prosperity on the Wabash Border*, Urbana, IL.

Service

- 2021 Chair, ISAS Search Committee to hire Coordinator for Central Illinois Field Station
- 2021 Coordinator for the ISAS *Ask an Archaeologist* Website and database
- 2020 Member, ISAS Website Update Committee (2020-present)
- 2020 Member, Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council (2020-present)
- 2020 Member, ISAS Search Committee to hire Architectural Historian for Central Offices
- 2020 Member, ISAS Search Committee to hire Coordinator for Central Illinois Field Station
- 2018 Coordinator for the ISAS Brown Bag Speakers Series (2018-2019)
- 2018 Oversees the ISAS outreach collections (2018-present)
- 2014 Volunteer Social Media coordinator for the East Central Illinois Archaeological Society (2014-present)

Outreach

- 2021 Assisted with artifact identification for a private collection at Prairie Fruits Farm & Creamery in Champaign, IL.
- 2020 Demonstrated the Emerald Acropolis augmented reality app at the Prehistoric Artifact Show at the Dickson Mounds State Museum in Lewistown, IL.
- 2019 Assisted with archaeology display at the Allerton Family Camp-Out at Allerton Park in Monticello, IL.
- 2019 Demonstrated the Emerald Acropolis augmented reality app at the Illinois Archaeological Survey Annual Meeting at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site in Collinsville, IL.
- 2019 Demonstrated the Emerald Acropolis augmented reality app at the University of Illinois Illini Fest in Chicago, IL.
- 2018 Demonstrated the Emerald Acropolis site augmented reality app at the Pygmalion Festival Tech Demo, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2017 Assisted with Archaeology Day at the Orpheum Children's Science Museum in Champaign, IL (2017-2018).
- 2017 Presented the archaeology curriculum to the East Central Illinois Master Naturalist training program (2017-2019).
- 2016 Assisted with archaeology presentations for the Anthropology Academy at the 4-H Illini Summer Academies at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana (2016-2018).
- 2015 Assisted with supervision of the annual cross-curriculum Archaeology Day at St. Thomas Moore High School in Champaign, IL. (2015-2018).
- 2011 Assisted collections staff with ethnographic research on new acquisitions at the Spurlock Museum, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2011- 2013).
- 2005 Assisted with geophysical mapping and archaeological survey at the New Philadelphia site (11PK455), Pike Co. IL.

35 public outreach videos and slideshows produced for ISAS from 2017 to the present

Affiliations

Historical Administration Program Association
Illinois Archaeological Survey
Illinois Association for the Advancement of Archaeology
Phi Alpha Theta, National History Honor Society
Society for Historical Archaeology