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Greetings!



Grand Opening Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center

When: September 13 (Thursday)
Time: 3:30-6:30 PM
Where: Vermont History Center

60 Washington St., Barre Light refreshments will be served!

Mark your calendar right now! On September 13, in Barre, come celebrate the Grand Opening of the Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center and our new, creative partnership with the Vermont History Center. Drop in any time between 3:30 - 6:30 PM.

What happens to all the "stuff" after archeologists dig a site? Where do the artifacts, soil samples, field notes, reports, and photos go? And then what do we do with all this? The new, permanent Vermont Archaeology Heritage Center will offer many opportunities for education, art, science, and research for people of all ages and interests. Join us for the Grand Opening and celebrate the historic partnership that joins the state's archaeological "treasures" with the historical treasure trove at the Vermont History Center. Tour the newly renovated spaces at the Vermont History Center and enjoy the inaugural archaeology exhibit, "How Do You Know That?? Unraveling the Past Through Archeology." Archaeologist Charlie Paquin will demonstrate the fine art of "flintknapping," showing how Vermont's Native people made stone tools for thousands of years. We are unveiling the re-creation of the extraordinary 3,000 year old Swanton Pot. Come and get some wonderful, FREE archaeology publications.

VAM 2012 Calendar of Events Released

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The Calendar of Events for Vermont Archaeology Month is now available on-line. The Calendar can be accessed at historicsites.vermont.gov or can be downloaded here.



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17th Annual Northeastern Open Atlatl Championship Weekend

September 21-23, 2012 Chimney Point State Historic Site, Addison

See website for times

Participate in or watch this annual championship. The sport of atlatl throwing is inspired by the ancient hunting technique of using a spear thrower, or atlatl. Learn to make and use your own atlatl, and watch demonstrations of Native American pottery-making, flint-knapping, and other crafts and skills.

See website (http://historicsites.vermont.gov/chimneypoint) for details. Preregistration required for Friday's atlatl-making workshop (fee) and Sunday's flintknapping workshop. Free, with site admission.

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