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Encyclopedia of Global Archaeology

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this second edition of the multi volume work goes beyond the comprehensive and systematic coverage of archaeology that appears in the first edition the field of archaeology continues to grow and the collaborations between archaeologists and researchers in other areas environmental studies landscape studies art history demography biomedicine chemistry museum specialists etc continues to grow this second edition builds on the massive collection of information and research from the first edition by adding new entries as well as updating the existing entries the entries in this encyclopedia range from succinct summaries of specific sites and the scientific aspects of archaeological enquiry to detailed discussions of archaeological concepts theories and methods and from investigations into the social ethical and political dimensions of archaeological practice to biographies of leading archaeologists from throughout the world the different forms of archaeology are explored along with the techniques used for each and the challenges concerns and issues that face archaeologists today this compendium is both a print reference and an online reference work one of the encyclopedia s major innovations is that it harnesses the capabilities of an online environment enhancing both the presentation and dissemination of information most particularly the continuous updating allowed by an online environment should ensure that the encyclopedia of global archaeology is a definitive reference work for archaeology and archaeologists

The Routledge Handbook of Global Historical Archaeology

2020-07-26

the routledge handbook of global historical archaeology is a multi authored compendium of articles on specific topics of interest to today s historical archaeologists offering perspectives on the current state of research and

collectively outlining future directions for the field the broad range of topics covered in this volume allows for specificity within individual chapters while building to a cumulative overview of the field of historical archaeology as it stands and where it could go next archaeological research is discussed in the context of current sociological concerns different approaches and techniques are assessed and potential advances are posited this is a comprehensive treatment of the sub discipline engaging key contemporary debates and providing a series of specially commissioned geographical overviews to complement the more theoretical explorations this book is designed to offer a starting point for students who may wish to pursue particular topics in more depth as well as for non archaeologists who have an interest in historical archaeology archaeologists historians preservationists and all scholars interested in the role historical archaeology plays in illuminating daily life during the past five centuries will find this volume engaging and enlightening

Global Archaeological Theory

2006-04-07

archaeological theory has gone through a great upheaval in the last 50 years from the processual theory which wanted to make archaeology more scientific to post processual theory which understands that interpreting human behavior even of past cultures is a subjective study this subjective approach incorporates a plurality of readings thereby implying that different interpretations are always possible allowing us to modify and change our ideas under the light of new information and or interpretive frameworks in this way interpretations form a continuous flow of transformation and change and thus archaeologists do not uncover a real past but rather construct a historical past or a narrative of the past post processual theory also incorporates a conscious and explicit political interest on the past of the scholar and the subject this includes fields and topics such as gender issues ethnicity class landscapes and consumption this reflects a conscious attempt to also decentralize the discipline from an imperialist point of view to an empowering

one method and theory also means being politically aware and engaged to incorporate diverse critical approaches to improve understanding of the past and the present this book focuses on the fundamental theoretical issues found in the discipline and thus both engages and represents the very rich plurality of the post processual approach to archaeology the book is divided into four sections issues in archaeological theory archaeological theory and method in action space and power in material culture and images as material discourse

The Palgrave Handbook of Global Sustainability

2023-04-04

the field of sustainability continues to evolve as a discipline the world is facing multiple sustainability challenges such as climate change water depletion ecosystem loss and environmental racism the handbook of sustainability will provide a comprehensive reference for the field that examines in depth the major themes within what are known as the three e s of sustainability environment equity and economics these three themes will serve as the main organizing body of the work in addition the work will include sections on history and sustainability major figures in the development of sustainability as a discipline and important organizations that contributed or that continue to contribute to sustainability as a field the work is explicitly global in scope as it considers the very different issues associated with sustainability in the global north and south

Women in Archaeology

2023-07-12

this book tells the story of women in archaeology worldwide and their dedication to advancing knowledge and human understanding in their own voices they present themselves as archaeologists working in academia or the private and public sector across 33 countries the chapters in this volume reconstruct the history of archaeology while honoring those

female scholars and their pivotal research who are no longer with us many scholars in this volume fiercely explore non traditional research areas in archaeology the chapters bear witness to their valuable and unique contributions to reconstructing the past through innovative theoretical and methodological approaches in doing so they share the inherent difficulties of practicing archaeology not only because they too are mothers sisters and wives but also because of the context in which they are writing this volume may interest researchers in archaeology history of science gender studies and feminist theory chapter 11 is available open access under a creative commons attribution 4 0 international license via link springer com

Indigenous Peoples and Archaeology in Latin America

2016-06-16

this book is the first to describe indigenous archaeology in latin america for an english speaking audience eighteen chapters primarily by latin american scholars describe relations between indigenous peoples and archaeology in the frame of national histories and examine the emergence of the native interest in their heritage relationships between archaeology and native communities are ambivalent sometimes an escalating battleground sometimes a promising site of intercultural encounters the global trend of indigenous empowerment today has renewed interest in history making it a tool of cultural meaning and political legitimacy this book deals with the topic with a raw forthrightness not often demonstrated in writings about archaeology and indigenous peoples rather than being politically correct it attempts to transform rather than simply describe

Archaeology

2024-03-19

this fully updated sixth edition of a classic classroom text is essential reading for core courses in archaeology

archaeology an introduction explains how the subject emerged from an amateur pursuit in the eighteenth century into a serious discipline and explores changing trends in interpretation in recent decades the authors convey the excitement of archaeology while helping readers to evaluate new discoveries by explaining the methods and theories that lie behind them in addition to drawing upon examples and case studies from many regions of the world and periods of the past the book incorporates the authors own fieldwork research and teaching it continues to include key reference and further reading sections to help new readers find their way through the ever expanding range of archaeological publications and online sources as well as colour illustrations and boxed topic sections to increase comprehension serving as an accessible and lucid textbook and engaging students with contemporary issues this book is designed to support students studying archaeology at an introductory level new to the sixth edition inclusion of the latest survey and imaging techniques such as the use of drones and extended reality updated material on developments in dating dna analysis isotopes and population movement including consideration of the ethical considerations of these techniques coverage of new developments in archaeological theory such as the material turn ontological turn and work on issues of equality diversity and inclusion a whole new chapter covering archaeology in the present including new sections on heritage and public archaeology and an updated consideration of archaeology s relationship with the climate crisis a revised glossary with over 200 new additions or updates

Archaeology of Households, Kinship, and Social Change

2021-11-25

archaeology of households kinship and social change offers new perspectives on the processes of social change from the standpoint of household archaeology this volume develops new theoretical and methodological approaches to the archaeology of households pursuing three critical themes household

diversity in human residential communities with and without archaeologically identifiable houses interactions within and between households that explicitly considers impacts of kin and non kin relationships and lastly change as a process that involves the choices made by members of households in the context of larger societal constraints encompassing these themes authors explore the role of social ties and their material manifestations within the house dwelling or other constructed space how the household relates to other social units how households consolidate power and control over resources and how these changes manifest at multiple scales the case studies presented in this volume have broader implications for understanding the drivers of change the ways households create the contexts for change and how households serve as spaces for invention reaction and or resistance understanding the nature of relationships within households is necessary for a more complete understanding of communities and regions as these ties are vital to explaining how and why societies change taking a comparative outlook with case studies from around the world this volume will inform students and professionals researching household archaeology and be of interest to other disciplines concerned with the relationship between social networks and societal change

The Oxford Handbook of the Archaeology and Anthropology of Rock Art

2018

this handbook is currently in development with individual articles publishing online in advance of print publication at this time we cannot add information about unpublished articles in this handbook however the table of contents will continue to grow as additional articles pass through the review process and are added to the site please note that the online publication date for this handbook is the date that the first article in the title was published online for more information please read the site faqs

Handbook of Archaeological Theories

2007-11-09

this handbook gathers original authoritative articles from leading archaeologists to compile the latest thinking about archaeological theory the authors provide a comprehensive picture of the theoretical foundations by which archaeologists contextualize and analyze their archaeological data student readers will also gain a sense of the immense power that theory has for building interpretations of the past while recognizing the wonderful archaeological traditions that created it an extensive bibliography is included this volume is the single most important reference for current information on contemporary archaeological theories

Applied Soils and Micromorphology in Archaeology

2018

this book uniquely focuses on all aspects of archaeological soil micromorphology based upon the authors joint sixty years of worldwide studies

Archaeology and Tourism

2020-06-10

this book provides a global and thematic examination of the relationships between archaeology and tourism and a critical analysis of thinking in the area of archaeology based tourism it focuses on the differences and similarities between archaeology based tourism and heritage tourism and highlights the interdependence and dissonance between tourism and archaeology and archaeological traditions the volume offers a systematic investigation of current issues and implications in the relationship between tourism and archaeology from both tourism and archaeological perspectives it is a key academic resource for students researchers and practitioners in

tourism archaeology cultural heritage management and anthropology

Investigating Archaeological Cultures

2011-06-04

defining culture is an important step in undertaking archaeological research any thorough study of a particular culture first has to determine what that culture contains what particular time period geographic region and group of people make up that culture the study of archaeology has many accepted definitions of particular cultures but recently these accepted definitions have come into question as archaeologists struggle to define cultures they also seek to define the components of culture this volume brings together 21 international case studies to explore the meaning of culture for regions around the globe and periods from the paleolithic to the bronze age and beyond taking lessons and overarching themes from these studies the contributors draw important conclusions about cultural transmission technology development and cultural development the result is a comprehensive model for approaching the study of culture broken down into regions russia continental europe north america britain and africa materials lithics ceramics metals and time periods this work will be valuable to all archaeologists and cultural anthropologists particularly those studying material culture

Archaeological Chemistry (3rd Edition)

2017-01-16

third edition of a comprehensive textbook ideal for students in archaeological science and chemistry archaeologists and those involved in conserving human artefacts

The Oxford Handbook of the Archaeology of

Indigenous Australia and New Guinea

2023

65 000 years ago modern humans arrived in australia having navigated more than 100 km of sea crossing from southeast asia since then the large continental islands of australia and new guinea together with smaller islands in between have been connected by land bridges and severed again as sea levels fell and rose along with these fluctuations came changes in the terrestrial and marine environments of both land masses the oxford handbook of the archaeology of indigenous australia and new guinea reviews and assembles the latest findings and ideas on the archaeology of the australia new guinea region the world s largest island continent in 42 new chapters written by 77 contributors it presents and explores the archaeological evidence to weave stories of colonisation megafaunal extinctions indigenous architecture long distance interactions sometimes across the seas eel based aquaculture and the development of techniques for the mass trapping of fish occupation of the high country deserts tropical swamplands and other diverse land and waterscapes and rock art and symbolic behaviour together with established researchers a new generation of archaeologists present in this handbook one authoritative text where australia new guinea archaeology now lies and where it is heading promising to shape future directions for years to come

Handbook of East and Southeast Asian Archaeology

2017-12-08

the handbook of east and southeast asian archaeology focuses on the material culture and lifeways of the peoples of prehistoric and early historic east and southeast asia their origins behavior and identities as well as their biological linguistic and cultural differences and commonalities emphasis is placed upon the interpretation of material culture to illuminate and explain social processes and relationships as well as behavior technology patterns and

mechanisms of long term change and chronology in addition to the intellectual history of archaeology as a discipline in this diverse region the handbook augments archaeologically focused chapters contributed by regional scholars by providing histories of research and intellectual traditions and by maintaining a broadly comparative perspective archaeologically derived data are emphasized with text based documentary information provided to complement interpretations of material culture the handbook is not restricted to art historical or purely descriptive perspectives its geographical coverage includes the modern nation states of china mongolia far eastern russia north and south korea japan taiwan vietnam cambodia laos thailand burma malaysia indonesia the philippines and east timor

Field Archaeology from Around the World

2014-11-26

field practice in archaeology varies greatly throughout the world mainly because archaeological sites survive in very different ways in different countries many manuals see this as a problem to be defeated by the imposition of standardised procedures in this book we relish the variety of field practice seeing it rather as the way the best archaeologists have responded creatively to the challenges of terrain research objectives and the communities within which they work while insisting on the highest levels of investigation we celebrate the different designs concepts scientific detection methods and recording systems applied so embracing standards but not standardisation the book is organised in four parts part 1 offers a summary of field procedures part 2 reviews the principal methods applied above and below ground and how the results are analysed part 3 illustrates the huge variety confronted by field workers with a series of exemplary commercial and academic projects enacted in downland jungle desert permafrost road schemes and towns approaches also differ according to the traditional methodologies that have evolved in particular countries in part 4 we give examples of some the strongest and oldest of those practised on four continents

The Oxford Handbook of Public Archaeology

2012-01-05

divided into four distinct sections and drawing across various disciplines this volume seeks to reappraise the place of archaeology in the contemporary world by providing a series of essays that critically engage with both old and current debates in the field of public archaeology

Critical Public Archaeology

2022-09-13

critical approaches to public archaeology have been in use since the 1980s however only recently have archaeologists begun using critical theory in conjunction with public archaeology to challenge dominant narratives of the past this volume brings together current work on the theory and practice of critical public archaeology from europe and the united states to illustrate the ways that implementing critical approaches can introduce new understandings of the past and reveal new insights on the present contributors to this volume explore public perceptions of museum interpretations as well as public archaeology projects related to changing perceptions of immigration the working classes and race

Journal of Greek Archaeology Volume 3 **2018**

2018-10-31

true to its initial aims the latest volume of the journal of greek archaeology runs the whole chronological range of greek archaeology while including every kind of material culture

Computational and Machine Learning Tools

for Archaeological Site Modeling

2022-01-24

this book describes a novel machine learning based approach to answer some traditional archaeological problems relating to archaeological site detection and site locational preferences institutional data collected from six swiss regions zurich aargau grisons vaud geneva and fribourg have been analyzed with an original conceptual framework based on the random forest algorithm it is shown how the algorithm can assist in the modelling process in connection with heterogeneous incomplete archaeological datasets and related cultural heritage information moreover an in depth review of past and more recent works of quantitative methods for archaeological predictive modelling is provided the book guides the readers to set up their own protocol for i dealing with uncertain data ii predicting archaeological site location iii establishing environmental features importance iv and suggest a model validation procedure it addresses both academics and professionals in archaeology and cultural heritage management and offers a source of inspiration for future research directions in the field of digital humanities and computational archaeology

The Archaeology of Food

2019-11-14

surveys the archaeology of food its methods and its themes economics politics status identity gender ethnicity ritual religion

Archaeology of Entanglement

2016-06-16

entanglement theory posits that the interrelationship of humans and objects is a delimiting characteristic of human history and culture this edited volume of original studies by leading archaeological theorists applies this concept to a

broad range of topics including archaeological science heritage and theory itself in the theoretical explications and ten case studies the editors and contributing authors build on the intersections between science humanities and ecology to provide a more fine grained multi scalar treatment emanating from the long term perspective that characterizes archaeological research bring to light the subtle and unacknowledged paths that configure historical circumstances and bind human intentionality examine the constructions of personhood the rigidity of path dependencies the unpredictable connections between humans and objects and the intricate paths of past events in varied geographic and historical contexts that channel future actions this broad focus is inclusive of early complex developments in asia and europe imperial and state strategies in the andes and mesoamerica continuities of postcolonialism in north america and the unforeseen and complex consequences that derive from archaeological practices this volume will appeal to archaeologists and their advanced students

Routledge Handbook of the Archaeology of Indigenous-Colonial Interaction in the Americas

2021-07-19

the routledge handbook of the archaeology of indigenous colonial interaction in the americas brings together scholars from across the hemisphere to examine how archaeology can highlight the myriad ways that indigenous people have negotiated colonial systems from the fifteenth century through to today the contributions offer a comprehensive look at where the archaeology of colonialism has been and where it is heading geographically diverse case studies highlight longstanding theoretical and methodological issues as well as emerging topics in the field the organization of chapters by key issues and topics rather than by geography fosters exploration of the commonalities and contrasts between historical contingencies and scholarly interpretations throughout the volume indigenous and non indigenous contributors grapple with the continued colonial nature of

archaeology and highlight native perspectives on the potential of using archaeology to remember and tell colonial histories this volume is the ideal starting point for students interested in how archaeology can illuminate indigenous agency in colonial settings professionals including academic and cultural resource management archaeologists will find it a convenient reference for a range of topics related to the archaeology of colonialism in the americas

Discourse and Argumentation in Archaeology: Conceptual and Computational Approaches

2023-11-03

this book covers the topic of discourse and argumentation in archaeology with an aim to serve the archaeology community the book presents discourse and argument analysis approaches and techniques in an affordable manner and applied to archaeological situations it focuses on techniques and approaches that can be applicable to multiple situations periods and cultures the book begins with an introduction to discourse and argumentation analysis as a general field and also as an auxiliary technique to archaeology the work includes conceptual applications ranging from causality ontological connections vagueness social production of discourse and public debates the work also devotes a section to computational approaches and describes the specifics of some well known families of algorithms such as lexical processing information extraction or sentiment analysis the conclusion comments on the future and which reflects on the previous chapters and discusses how the presented techniques and approaches should be adapted or improved for easier and more powerful application to archaeology contributing authors bring perspectives from archaeology linguistics and computer science

Archaeology and Intentionality

2022-03-30

archaeology and intentionality explores perhaps one of the most overlooked topics in archaeology that of intentionality in archaeology most explanations of human behaviour rely on intentionality and this book fills a surprising gap in the literature by identifying the historical trajectory of the notion of intentionality this book reframes our understanding of what it means to act intentionally and how archaeologists provide explanations concerning past and present societies in general this book presents a strong framework for archaeological research one that fits to current archaeological practices and research around the world this framework considers that past actors were not unconditional free agents who could act however they wished nor were they absolute prisoners of the economic biological and environmental circumstances in which they lived from the standpoint of intentionality it becomes clear that human agency is not about what you can or cannot do but about what you should do that is to say actions are above all ethical in a world wealth inequality runs rampant where humans have damaged the environment beyond recognition and where technology advances at an alarming rate it is important that we recognize our intentions and the ethical responsibility that accompanies those intentions the book highlights how archaeology is the perfect discipline to understand how and from where those intentions come addressing several problems in archaeological theory and connecting archaeology philosophy and social theory this book is for students and researchers interested in archaeological theory and how it informs practice

The Oxford Handbook of Islamic Archaeology

2020-09-03

islamic archaeology is young discipline emerging only over the course of the 1980s and 1990s the oxford handbook of

islamic archaeology is the first work of its kind to cover the archaeology of the islamic world on a global scale from north africa to china and europe to sub saharan africa

Archaeological Dimension of World Heritage

2014-04-08

this volume presents case studies from around the world aiming to serve as a hands on book for management and treatment of archaeological world heritage properties it comprises not only sites inscribed as world heritage due to their archaeological character but also world heritage properties where the analysis of their archaeological dimension provides a deeper and better understanding of the assets and includes the potential for disseminating this knowledge the book has an important practical value since all the works presented here illustrate with practical examples the best and most appropriate ways to manage world heritage properties the aim of the heritage managers at these world heritage sites is to improve conservation and increase understanding and communication in such a way that the communities living in those sites or who earn a livelihood from them can be positively affected by these initiatives the book presents exemplary models of heritage management in world heritage properties an issue not treated in depth up to now and best practices in this management therefore this volume becomes a new original source presenting model strategies to be followed by other initiatives in order to improve the consideration and treatment of the most outstanding valued sites considered by unesco

The Archaeology of Peasantry in Roman Spain

2022-01-19

this volume aims to present an updated portrait of the roman countryside in roman spain by the comparison of different theoretical orientations and methodological strategies

including the discussion of textual and iconographic sources and the analysis of the faunal remains the archaeology of rural areas of the roman world has traditionally been focused on the study of villae both as an architectural model of roman otium and as the central core of an economic system based on the extensive agricultural exploitation of latifundia the assimilation of most rural settlements in provincial areas of the roman empire with the villa model implies the acceptance of specific ideas such as the generalization of the slave mode of production the rupture of the productive capacity of late iron age communities or the reduction in importance of free peasant labor in the roman economy of most rural areas however in recent decades as a consequence of the generalized extension of preventive or emergency archaeology and survey projects in most areas of the ancient territories of the roman empire this traditional conception of the roman countryside articulated around monumental villae is undergoing a thorough revision new research projects are changing our current perception of the countryside of most parts of the roman provincial world by assessing the importance of different types of rural settlements in the last years we have witnessed the publication of archaeological reports on the excavation of thousands of small rural sites farms farmsteads enclosures rural agglomerations of diverse nature etc one of the main consequences of all this research activity is a vigorous discussion of the paradigm of the slave mode of production as the basis of roman rural economies in many provincial areas a similar change in the paradigm is taking place with some delay in the archaeology of roman spain after decades of preventive emergency interventions there is a considerable quantity of unpublished data on this kind of rural settlements however unlike the cases of roman britain or gallia comata no synthesis or national projects are undertaking the task of systematizing all these data with the intention of addressing this current situation the present volume discusses the results and methodological strategies of different projects studying peasant settlements in several regions of roman spain

Archaeology Under Fire

2002-01-04

first published in 1998 routledge is an imprint of taylor francis an informa company

The Routledge Handbook of the Senses in the Ancient Near East

2021-09-30

this handbook is a state of the field volume containing diverse approaches to sensory experience bringing to life in an innovative remarkably vivid and visceral way the lives of past humans through contributions that cover the chronological and geographical expanse of the ancient near east it comprises thirty two chapters written by leading international contributors that look at the ways in which humans through their senses experienced their lives and the world around them in the ancient near east with coverage of anatolia egypt the levant mesopotamia syria and persia from the neolithic through the roman period it is organised into six parts related to sensory contexts practice production and taskscape dress and the body ritualised practice and ceremonial spaces death and burial science medicine and aesthetics and languages and semantic fields in addition to exploring what makes each sensory context unique this organisation facilitates cross cultural and cross chronological as well as cross sensory and multisensory comparisons and discussions of sensory experiences in the ancient world in so doing the volume also enables considerations of senses beyond the five sense model of western philosophy sight hearing touch taste and smell including proprioception and interoception and the phenomena of synaesthesia and kinaesthesia the routledge handbook of the senses in the ancient near east provides scholars and students within the field of ancient near eastern studies new perspectives on and conceptions of familiar spaces places and practices as well as material culture and texts it also allows scholars and students from adjacent fields such as

classics and biblical studies to engage with this material and is a must read for any scholar or student interested in or already engaged with the field of sensory studies in any period

Archaeology After Interpretation

2016-06-16

a new generation of archaeologists has thrown down a challenge to post processual theory arguing that characterizing material symbols as arbitrary overlooks the material character and significance of artifacts this volume showcases the significant departure from previous symbolic approaches that is underway in the discipline it brings together key scholars advancing a variety of cutting edge approaches each emphasizing an understanding of artifacts and materials not in terms of symbols but relationally as a set of associations that compose people s understanding of the world authors draw on a diversity of intellectual sources and case studies paving a dynamic road ahead for archaeology as a discipline and theoretical approaches to material culture

Historical Archaeology Through a Western Lens

2017

the mythic american west with its perilous frontiers big skies and vast resources is frequently perceived as unchanging and timeless the work of many western based historical archaeologists over the past decade however has revealed narratives that often sharply challenge that timelessness historical archaeology through a western lens reveals an archaeological past that is distinct to the region but not in ways that popular imagination might suggest instead this volume highlights a western past characterized by rapid and ever changing interactions between diverse groups of people across a wide range of environmental and economic situations the dynamic and unpredictable lives of western communities have prompted a constant challenging and

reimagining of both individual identities and collective understandings of their position within a broader national experience indeed the archaeological west is one clearly characterized by mobility rather than stasis the archaeologies presented in this volume explore the impact of that pervasive human mobility on the west a world of transience impermanence seasonal migration and accelerated trade and technology at scales ranging from the local to the global by documenting the challenges of both local community building and global networking they provide an archaeology of the west that is ultimately from the west

Oxford Handbook of Cognitive Archaeology

2024-03-12

cognitive archaeology is a relatively young though fast growing discipline the intellectual heart of cognitive archaeology is archaeology the discipline that investigates the only direct evidence of the actions and decisions of prehistoric people its theories and methods are an eclectic mix of psychological neuroscientific paleoneurological philosophical anthropological ethnographic comparative aesthetic and experimental theories methods and models united only by their focus on cognition the oxford handbook of cognitive archaeology is a landmark publication showcasing the theories methods and accomplishments of archaeologists who investigate the human mind including its evolutionary development its ideation thoughts and beliefs and its very nature through material forms the volume encompasses the wide spectrum of the discipline showcasing contributions from more than 50 established and emerging scholars from europe africa asia australia and the americas prominent among these are contributions that discuss the epistemological frameworks of both the evolutionary and ideational approaches and the leading theories that ground interpretations significantly the majority of chapters deliver substantive contributions that analyze specific examples of material culture from the oldest known stone tools to ceramic and rock art traditions of the recent millennium these examples include the gamut of methods and techniques including typology replication studies cha nes operatoires neuroarchaeology ethnographic comparison

and the direct historical approach in addition the book begins with retrospective essays by several of the pioneers of cognitive archaeology presenting a broad range of state of the art investigations into cognitive abilities tackling thorny issues like the cognitive status of neandertals and concluding with speculative essays about the future of an archaeology of mind and of the mind itself

Developing Effective Communication Skills in Archaeology

2019-11-22

communicating archaeological heritage at the institutional level reflects on the current status of archeology and a lack of communication between archaeologists and the general public only serves to widen the gap of understanding as holders of this specific scientific expertise effective openness and communication is essential to understanding how a durable future can be built through comprehension of the past and the importance of heritage sites and collections developing effective communication skills in archaeology is an essential research publication that examines archeology as a method for present researchers to interact and communicate with the past and as a methods for identifying the overall trends in the needs of humanity as a whole presenting a vast range of topics such as digital transformation artificial intelligence and heritage awareness this book is essential for archaeologists journalists heritage managers sociologists educators anthropologists museum curators historians communication specialists industry professionals researchers academicians and students

Archaeology: The Basics

2015-05-15

now in an updated third edition archaeology the basics provides a straightforward and engaging introduction to the world of archaeology this book answers key questions about how and why we practice archaeology and examines the theories

and themes underpinning the subject fully updated this new edition includes a wide range of examples and new material on key growth areas including evolutionary approaches in current archaeology the archaeology of landscape and place the impact and value of archaeology conflict archaeology and the politics of the past with 12 new illustrations four new boxes and additional case studies this text is essential reading for all those beginning to study archaeology and anyone who has ever questioned the past

New Frontiers in Archaeology: Proceedings of the Cambridge Annual Student Archaeology Conference 2019

2020-11-19

the theme for the cambridge annual student archaeology conference casa 2019 was new frontiers in archaeology and this volume presents papers from a wide range of topics such as new geographical areas of research using museum collections and legacy data new ways to teach archaeology and new scientific or theoretic paradigms

Psychology and Cognitive Archaeology

2021-11-14

psychology and cognitive archaeology demonstrates the potential of using cognitive archaeology framing to explore key issues in contemporary psychology and other behavioral sciences this edited volume features psychologists exploring archaeological data concerning specific themes such as the use of tools our child rearing practices our expressions of gender and sexuality our sleep patterns the nature of warfare cultural practices and the origins of religion other chapters touch on cognitive archaeological methods the history of evolutionary approaches in psychology and relevant philosophical considerations to further illustrate the interdisciplinary potential between archaeology and psychology as a complementary counterpoint the book also includes an archaeologist s perspective on these same topical

matters as well as robust introductory and concluding thoughts by the editors this book will be an illuminating read for students and scholars of psychology particularly theoretical social cognitive and evolutionary psychology as well as philosophy archaeology and anthropology

Post-Conflict Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

2017-11-14

the human cost in any conflict is of course the first care in terms of the reduction if not the elimination of damage however the destruction of archaeology and heritage as a consequence of civil and international wars is also of major concern and the irreversible loss of monuments and sites through conflict has been increasingly discussed and documented in recent years post conflict archaeology and cultural heritage draws together a series of papers from archaeological and heritage professionals seeking positive pragmatic and practical ways to deal with conflict damaged sites for instance by showing that conflict damaged cultural heritage and archaeological sites are a valuable resource rather than an inevitable casualty of war and suggesting that archaeologists use their skills and knowledge to bring communities together giving them ownership of and identification with their cultural heritage the book is a mixture of the discussion of problems suggested planning solutions and case studies for both archaeologists and heritage managers it will be of interest to heritage professionals archaeologists and anyone working with post conflict communities as well as anthropology archaeology and heritage academics and their students at a range of levels

Mesoamerican Archaeology

2021-02-22

a unique and wide ranging introduction to the major prehispanic and colonial societies of mexico and central america featuring new and revised material throughout

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mesoamerican archaeology theory and practice second edition provides readers with a diverse and well balanced view of the archaeology of the indigenous societies of mexico and central america helping students better understand key concepts and engage with contemporary debates and issues within the field the fully updated second edition incorporates contemporary research that reflects new approaches and trends in mesoamerican archaeology new and revised chapters from first time and returning authors cover the archaeology of mesoamerican cultural history from the early gulf coast olmec to the classic and postclassic maya to the cultures of oaxaca and central mexico before and after colonization presenting a wide range of approaches that illustrate political socio economic and symbolic interpretations this textbook encourages students to consider diverse ways of thinking about mesoamerica as a linguistic area as a geographic region and as a network of communities of practice represents a wide spectrum of perspectives and approaches to mesoamerican archaeology including coverage of the postclassic and colonial periods enables readers to think critically about how explanations of the past are produced verified and debated includes accessible introductory material to ensure that students and non specialists understand the chronological and geographic frameworks of the mesoamerican tradition discusses recent developments in the contemporary theory and practice of mesoamerican archaeology presents new and original research by a team of internationally recognized contributors mesoamerican archaeology theory and practice second edition is ideal for use in undergraduate courses on the archaeology of mexico and central america as well as for broader courses on the archaeology of the americas

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