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On the Cover

In Memory: Beloved Artist and Friend of the Peabody, Dominique Toya

This gallery includes some highlights from our time with Dominique.

Our first newsletter of 2024 begins with a tribute to our amazing and talented friend [Dominique Toya](#). It was hard to find the right words to describe Dominique and her impact on our community.



It was as big as her laugh. Other news items provide a glimpse into teaching the senior elective Human Origins and the work to put the museum back together after the completion of Phase 1 of our building renovation.

Dominique Toya

Contributed by Ryan Wheeler

Last month saw the passing of a truly remarkable individual. We remain shocked and saddened by the loss of Dominique Toya (1971-2023), who we have been fortunate to know since 2013. Dominique was a fifth generation potter, born to the Corn Clan at the Pueblo of Jemez.

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Peabody Loading... 75% Complete...

Contributed by Marla Taylor

Peabody staff are hard at work moving the collection back into the updated areas. This is no easy task and won't be complete for at least a couple months. The Peabody looks forward to welcoming back the PA students and broader community in the spring term. We can't wait to show you what has been accomplished!

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Human Origins, winter edition

Contributed by Ryan Wheeler

Bigfoot, ancient aliens, Homo naledi, Australopithecines, stone tools, painted pebbles, scientific racism, repatriation. How are these topics connected? Students in the senior science elective Human Origins find out. Read on to learn more!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Massachusetts Archaeological Society Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February 20th, 2023

7:00 PM

Danvers Historical Society's Tapley Memorial Hall



Monthly meeting of the NE/Gene Winter Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society held at the Danvers Historical Society's Tapley Memorial Hall at 13 Page Street in downtown Danvers, MA.

This meeting is in-person and will be open and free to the public. For those who are unable to attend, the meeting will be streamed live via Zoom. For more information or to request a link to the meeting, please send an email to: info.nechapter@massarchaeology.org

More details can be found on the MAS [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

Check out our past MAS meeting episodes [here!](#)

EVENT INFO

TRENDING NOW

- Check out the article by *WBUR*, [New federal rules for repatriation of Native ancestors, objects from museums expected in 2024.](#)

- Check out the latest article from Phillips Academy's Fall/Winter issue of the Andover Magazine, [The Peabody, archaeology, and Native American justice.](#)

• Check out ProPublica's latest article in the Repatriation Project series, [Tribes in Maine Spent Decades Fighting to Rebury Ancestral Remains...](#)

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