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On the Cover

Excavation Unit at the Mansion House Site

Students from the Andover Summer Session learn about archaeology through the Dig This! class. Each summer, students in this class take on their own excavations at the Mansion House site on Phillips Academy Andover campus. The Mansion House was built during the Revolutionary War in 1782 and was the home of Phillips Academy Andover's founder, Judge Samuel "Esquire" Phillips Jr. Learn more about the Mansion House site [here](#).



Summer moves at a different pace for the Peabody, but we still find ways to connect with students, volunteers, and the broader professional community. This month we share news about a big project, a summary of summer excavations, and a volunteer's

perspective. We hope you have enjoyed the summer as much as we have!

Creating an Indigenous Collections Care Guide

Contributed by [Marla Taylor](#)



The Peabody is excited to share that SAR received an IMLS National Leadership Grants for Museums of \$175,587 for the IARC's creation of the Indigenous Collections Care Guide to support the museum field with an accessible reference tool for museum professionals who interact regularly with Native American collections.

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Here's the Dirt on Andover Summer's Dig This! 2023

Contributed by [Mikala Hardie](#)



This summer, 23 young archaeologists set out to investigate one of the first buildings constructed by Samuel Phillips Jr., founder of Phillips Academy Andover. Archaeology instructor, Mikala Hardie, shares students' findings during the Andover Summer 2023 Dig This! class.

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Peabody Volunteer Spotlight: Meet Mike

Contributed by [Mike Agostino](#)



This month, the Peabody is spotlighting one of our volunteers, Mike Agostino. Learn how Mike became a volunteer for the Peabody and read on for more about Mike and his current work with the Peabody.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Massachusetts Archaeological Society Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, September 19th, 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

- National Park Service awards \$3.4 million in grants for the return of Native American remains and sacred objects. Check out the news release [here!](#)
- What is it like to report on the repatriation process as an Indigenous journalist? Read the *ProPublica* article [here!](#)

- The Peabody building project will rely on philanthropic support from our donor community. To help advance this critical renovation, please contact Beth Parsons, director for museums and educational outreach, at 978-749-4523 or bparsons@andover.edu.

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