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Student Fire Making with Human Origins

As we look forward to spring and warmer weather, we reflect on our past fire-making class. Students in Human Origins, a multidisciplinary science course, tried creating fire with several primitive methods, including the bow drill, the hand drill, and percussion (rocks as well as iron and steel). All proved rather challenging and students learned that primitive technology is not so easy! Students also read Richard Dawkins’ 1976 chapter “Memes: the new replicators” and discussed the stages of hominin-re interaction, thinking about how fire was likely encountered and created a number of times in our distant history.

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Building Update!
Contributed by Marla Taylor

The Peabody is currently in the pre-construction phase of a much-needed building update! This is Phase 1 of a two-phase project. Read on for updates about our building project and the current work being done at the Peabody.

One Million Years B.C.
Contributed by Ryan Wheeler

On February 15, 2023 we learned about the death of Raquel Welch. You might think, what does Raquel Welch have to do with archaeology? Well, a lot and a little. Read on to learn more!

Behind the Photograph: Flammable Film
Contributed by Emma Lavoie

Back with another photograph story from our Behind the Photograph blog series! Use caution, this specific photograph has a fiery history. Read on to learn more about the Peabody’s Stuart Travis mural and the history behind this photograph’s material.

Massachusetts Archaeological Society
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, March 21st, 2023
7:00 PM
NEW LOCATION FOR 2023
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.

TRENDING NOW
• The National Park Service, which administers NAGPRA, has proposed regulatory changes that will have significant impacts on museums, agencies, and tribes.
• The Peabody continues to participate in the ACC—Archaeology Centers Coalition—founded by members of Cornell University and the Wenner-Gren Foundation.
• Check out our Spring 2023 Peabody Lesson Booklet here!

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