



Clovis lithic technology from the Rummells-Maske Cache Site, Iowa, featuring the famous large fluted lanceolate points.
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Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences at Lehigh University presents:
2019 D. Foster Hewitt Lecture Series

“The Peopling of North America”

Who were the first peoples of the Americas and what routes did they take to get here? For many decades it was thought that the big game hunters of the Clovis Culture, following their prey across the Bering land bridge ~13,000 years ago were the answers to those questions. Recently, that paradigm has been challenged and interdisciplinary research at the intersection of Archeology, Earth and Environmental Sciences, and Biology is arguing for several pre-Clovis cultures and multiple, much more complex immigration patterns. The 2019 D. Foster Hewitt lecture series will present four leading scholars who will explore the stratigraphic, geochronologic, lithic technology, and genomic evidence for how North America came to be populated. Join us for a series of five talks and panel discussions over two days as we engage the broader Lehigh community in discussion of this fascinating research.

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Whitaker Laboratory Auditorium and Foyer

- 6:30 PM Reception
- 7:00-8:00 PM Keynote speaker, Dr. Ted Goebel, Texas A&M University
 “New Discoveries, Lasting Controversies in the Peopling of North America”
- 8:00-9:00 PM Panel discussion

Friday, February 8, 2019

STEPS 101

- 10:00 AM Dr. Jennifer Raff, University of Kansas
 “Genomic perspectives on the peopling of the Americas”
- 11:00 AM Dr. Ted Goebel, Texas A&M
 “Beringia, the cradle for peopling the Americas”
- 12:00 PM Lunch (STEPS 102)
- 01:30 PM Dr. Jessi Halligan, Florida State University
 “How the underwater Page-Ladson site fits into peopling of the Americas scenarios”
- 2:30 PM Dr. Bruce Huckell, University of New Mexico
 “Alternative scenarios for the peopling of North America based on lithic technology perspectives”
- 3:30 PM All speaker panel

All events are open to the Public

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