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Dear AIA-LA Society Members,

Well, here we are again. After a slight delay in our official newsletter's distribution, I hope that you are emerging from another winter in good health and looking for some new opportunities to engage with the AIA. We have put together a new program which we hope will pique your interests and draw you into some different routines. Please continue reading about our programs and aims for the coming academic year. As always, your direct feedback is welcome.

Events. Please consult the calendar below for the list of our planned events for the late winter and spring. Take note of our March 6th national lecture by Anthony Barbieri of UCSB, which will take place in person, as long as conditions continue to ameliorate. We will also continue to host a number of book talks that profile recent publications. Please see the *Calendar of Events* below for more information.

Lecture sponsorships. We are looking for sponsorships that can support our speaker series. It is customary to thank our speakers, many of whom have taken time from their already busy lives, to speak to our society whether in person or on Zoom. Help us keep our honoraria reflective of our gratitude. If there is a lecture on the schedule that you would like to support? If so, please make a note of this when you make your gift. You can designate to support a national lecturer, a book talk, or another event. If you would like more information, please email me.

Membership. We hope you have continued to receive your subscription to *Archaeology* magazine as part of your membership. If, however, you are not receiving it, your membership may not be current or your address may be incorrect. You can renew online at <https://www.archaeological.org/join/>.

Please also take an opportunity to consider inviting friends and neighbors to join or gifting them a membership, and point them to our website and/or forward this newsletter to them. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Ken Seligson to attempt to identify the problem (kseligson@csudh.edu).

Our Annual Membership meeting will take place at 6 PM Wednesday, May 4, on Zoom in order to facilitate a broader engagement of our membership. At that time we will discuss any nominations for Governing Board positions (see board membership and terms below). There will likely be a variety of opportunities to serve, including for the selection of a new president, as I will be stepping into the board position as a prior president from fall 2022. We therefore welcome nominations, including for the expansion of the board. Any nominations can be emailed to Ken Seligson.

Web portal and Weekly Roundup of Events. Our web portal remains the principal gateway to our archaeological programming available to our membership. Our web committee is working to continue to expand this presence and make it as user-friendly as possible. If you have any comments or suggestions, please feel free to email them to Alba Maaza (alba.mazza@gmail.com). Owing to Ken Seligson's steady efforts you are hopefully also receiving our *AIA-LA Weekly Roundup* of upcoming lectures, which will provide the most up-to-date listings available. If you have not seen these, please check your spam/junkmail folder, and failing that, please email Ken directly to be added to this list (kseligson@csudh.edu).

Funding opportunities. In 2022, the AIA-LA Society is sponsoring two more **Undergraduate Fieldwork Scholarships** to support students on their first archaeological projects. Please encourage undergraduates to apply for the fellowship by the **April 1 deadline**:

<https://aia-la.org/scholarships/>

Lastly, I want to encourage you to reach out to any of the board members or myself with any questions, concerns, or interests you may have. We sincerely look forward to seeing you in person or online this year.

With best wishes and gratitude for your continued support,



Aaron A. Burke
President, AIA Los Angeles Society

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

I enclose \$_____ to support the 2020–2021 programs of the Los Angeles Society of the AIA.

\$_____ contribution to the Undergraduate Fieldwork Scholarship

\$_____ contribution to support: ___ National lecture; ___ Book talk; _____ social event

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail (strongly recommended for current updates):

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*Please make your check out to the **AIA LA Society** and return it in the enclosed envelope to our treasurer.*

John Cameron, 3424 W Carson St Ste 600, Torrance, CA 90503

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

For additional information about chapter events or to RSVP, contact Ken Seligson (kseligson@csudh.edu), Membership Coordinator. Consult our web page for updated information. All times are Pacific Time.

Thursday March 3, 6 pm

Zoom

AIA-LA Member Talk: *Boldly Going Where No Archaeologists Have Gone Before: The International Space Station Archaeological Project*. Justin Walsh, Assoc. Prof. Department of Art, Chapman University. [[Register](#)]

Sunday, March 6 2 PM

1207 9th Street, Manhattan Beach AND Zoom simulcast

Anthony Barbieri (UC Santa Barbara). *Unearthed Voices from the First Emperor of Qin's Unification of China*. AIA-LA Norton & Ahmanson Lecture. RSVP required.

Saturday, March 19 10 AM–4:30 PM

CSU Dominguez Hills AND Zoom simulcast

Southern California Mesoamerica Network Spring Symposium in Honor of Dr. Jan Gasco.

Anabel Ford, Barbara Voorhies, Frances Berdan, Hector Neff, Jan Rus, Diane Rus, Jerry Moore, Jan Gasco

Wednesday, April 13 6 PM

Zoom

Book talk: *Uncooperative Nation-States: The Syro-Anatolian Culture Complex* by James Osborne (The University of Chicago) author of *The Syro-Anatolian City States: An Iron Age Culture*. Moderated by Aaron Burke.

Wednesday, April 27 6 PM

Zoom

Book talk: *The First Black Archaeologist: A Life of John Wesley Gilbert* by John W. I. Lee (UC Santa Barbara). Moderated by Paul Scotton.

Wednesday, May 4 6 PM

Zoom

Membership meeting. More details to follow.

Thursday, May 5 6 PM

Zoom

Book talk: *Ancient Andean Houses: Making, Inhabiting, Studying* by Jerry D. Moore (CSU Dominguez Hills). Moderated by Ken Seligson.

Wednesday, May 11 6 PM

Zoom

AIA-LA Annual Membership Meeting.

PROGRAMS AND LECTURE SERIES

ARCE Orange County Lectures: <https://aia-oc.org/lectures-and-events/>

Getty events and talks: <https://www.getty.edu/visit/cal>

Pourdavoud Center: <https://pourdavoud.ucla.edu/events/>

Stavros Niarchos Hellenic Center, UCLA: <https://hellenic.ucla.edu/>

EXHIBITIONS

Getty Villa

Persia: Ancient Iran and the Classical World April 6 to August 8, 2022.

Assyria: Palace Art of Ancient Iraq through September 5, 2022

Nubia: Jewels of Ancient Sudan Oct. 12, 2022–Jan. 23, 2023

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General concerns or interests? Email us at: losangeles.archaeology@gmail.com.
