Monthly Newsletter of URARA, the Utah Rock Art Research Association

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From the Prez

Werner Duecker

Due to the continued uncertainty about the COVID-19 situation, the June and July field trips have been cancelled. While many of the areas in Utah are opening up for visitation, we are still taking the potential threat to our membership very seriously when considering whether to start holding field trips again. At this time, the August picnic is still on as scheduled, but we will continue to monitor the situation along with the most current safety recommendations from the State and local health departments. We expect to make a final decision on the picnic in July.

As reported last month, the **SYMPOSIUM THIS FALL HAS BEEN CANCELLED.** It was not an easy decision, but we feel that the safety of our membership is of the greatest importance. We have no idea currently what the severity of the COVID-19 epidemic will be this fall, predictions from the experts varies widely, but even under best case scenarios, there is still a risk of the virus spreading to our members and attendees. We intend to reschedule this symposium to October 2021 in Vernal, and we hope you will join us then to see all the incredible rock art in the area.

To satisfy your rock art craving, we continue to provide presentations online with Zoom in lieu of our field trips. Because our Zoom license limits us to 100 participants, we will offer each of these presentations as an "event" that you can sign up for on the URARA website. Look for registration invitations to come out a week or two before each presentation. Details of how to log in to the Zoom meeting will be provided in the confirmation email that you receive after registering. Registration will close once we reach the 100 limit, but you will be able to add your name to a waitlist. We will watch attendance as the meeting starts and if we are not full within the first five minutes, we will start sending invitations in order of your position in the wait list, until we reach *June* 2020

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100 participants. The invitation will include the link that you need to join the meeting. If the last presentation is any indication, even though we had 100 registrations, there were some no-shows and we were able to open the presentation to everyone on the waitlist. So, if you are on the waitlist, stand by your computer at the scheduled start time and watch for an invitation.

URARA Online Rock Art Presentations Schedule:

Friday June 5 @ 6:00 pm – <u>Utah Rock Art Presentation 3: Fremont and Anasazi (Ancestral Puebloan)</u>
Rock Art. Troy Scotter and Nina Bowen **Register is now open on the URARA website!**

Thursday June 25 @ 6:00 pm - <u>Utah Rock Art Presentation 4: Ute, Paiute, and Navajo Rock Art.</u> Troy Scotter and Nina Bowen

Friday July 10 @ 6:00 pm - Rock Art of the Southwest: Greatest Hits. Richard Jenkinson (abstract below on page 3).

Past Presentations: If you missed either of the first two presentations or would just like to see them again, you can find them on our new URARA YouTube Channel at the link listed below. We will try to have each video posted within a week after the live presentation. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrjaGbAwfFPJcKyrUpLsAtQ/

If you are unfamiliar with Zoom, it is a video conferencing app that you can use on a computer, tablet, or smart phone. While you can also phone into a presentation without a smartphone or internet, due to their visual nature of the presentations they won't be very informative to members who can't view them on a screen. For more information go to: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206175806

Happy corona-virus-free trails!

Werner

More on Patina

Dennis DeVore

We have some new documents available on Patina, including:

Delicate Shaman paper by Dave Manley

Columbian mammoth and ancient bison, journal article by Ekkehart Malotki

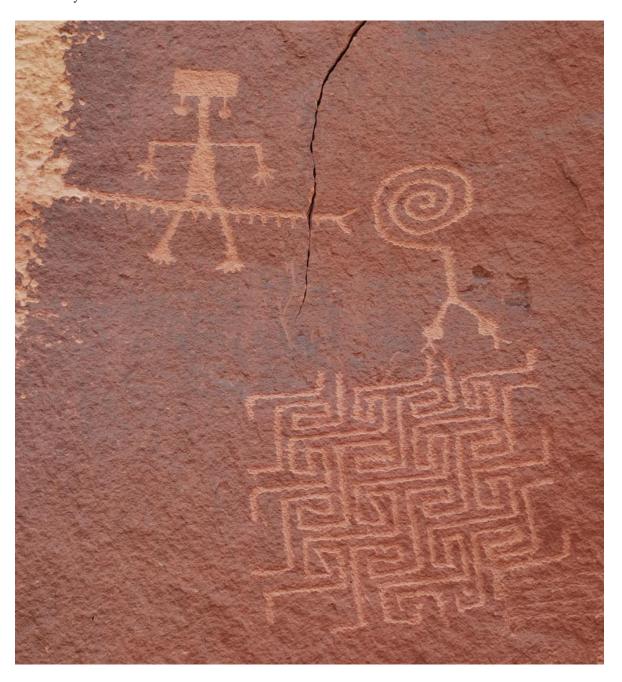
PhD dissertation on Barrier Canyon Style by Michael Firnhaber

Open the web page https://urara.wildapricot.org/, then go to publications>patina.

URARA Online Presentation July 10 (abstract)

Richard Jenkinson

This presentation will show some of my favorite rock art images in the Southwest. No theories or analysis, just great rock art. DStretch will be used to enhance some of the images. Included will be sites from all of the four corner states. While many of the images are commonly known, there are also many lesser known sites included.



Norma Lance, 1929-2020

Pamela Baker

Utah rock art has lost another early researcher. Norma Lance passed away in California recently where she was living with her daughter. Although not a member of URARA, Norma was a good friend to many members and led many field trips for the organization. She and her husband, Reed Lance, discovered and studied a solar site outside Blanding, UT, which is now called the "Lance Site".

Norma was born in Moab, UT, and attended the University of Utah graduating with a degree in nutrition. She and Reed had three children who they raised in Moab. They later moved to Monticello, UT, where they continued their exploration and enjoyment of local petroglyphs. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

https://moabtimes.com/2020/05/15/norma-lance-1929-2020/

RockArt in the News

Ancient Cave Art Found in Egypt's Sinai Desert Smithsonianmag.com, 1 May 2020

https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/egyptian-cave-filled-animals-etched-stone-180974793/?utm_source=smithsoniandaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=20200501-daily-responsive&spMailingID=42406958&spUserID=NzQwNDU0OTIyMTES1&spJobID=1760100225&spReportId=MTc2MDEwMDIyNQS2

Economic activities in the petroglyphs of fennoscandia (abstract) QuateraryInternational 6 May 2020

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S1040618219308109

Petroglyph damaged at Gunlock State Park St George News 14 May 2020

https://www.stgeorgeutah.com/news/archive/2020/05/14/rmw-its-like-seeing-a-graveyard-vandalized-petroglyph-damaged-at-gunlock-state-park/#.XsKKZMB7nIU

Petroglyph near Gunlock State Park vandalized Salt Lake Tribune 17 May 2020

https://saltlaketribuneut.newsmemory.com/?token=26fcbc965620914897723c3b49074be9_5ec16139_c85b785&selDate=202 00517





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Calendar and URARA Fieldtrips 2020

June 5 Friday 6:00 MDT	URARA On-line presentation 3: Ancestral Puebloan Rock Art
Jun 12-13 Fri-Sat	CANCELLED URARA Field Trip Myton
Jun 25, 6:00 MDT	URARA On-line presentation 4: Ute, Paiute, and Navajo Rock Art
Jun 25-26 Th-Fri	CANCELLED URARA Field Trip Nine-Mile Canyon
Jul 10 6:00 MDT	URARA On-line Presentation 5: Rock Art of the Southwest: Greatest Hits
Jul 16-19 Thurs-	POSTPONED TO JULY 2021 URARA Field Trip Dinwoody,
Sunday	Wyoming
Aug 13-16	URARA Summer Picnic, Buckboard Campground near Monticello
Oct 1-5	CANCELLED URARA Symposium Vernal
Oct 14-17	Great Basin Anthropological Conference Las Vegas
	https://greatbasinanthropologicalassociation.org
2021 July TBA	URARA Field Trip Dinwoody, Wyoming

URARA field trips are available to members only. For information or sign-up, please go to https://urara.wildapricot.org/events, or contact Cheryl Ames at com, 303-940-2043. Registration will open approximately 45 days prior to the start of the field trip. At that time you may register until the set number of participants is filled; then your name will be added to the waiting list.

<u>Southern Nevada Rock Art Association</u> (SNRAA), Las Vegas, meets on the 4th Monday of the month. http://snraa.org/snraa.org/EVENTS.html

<u>Dixie Archaeological Society</u> (DAS), St George, meets on the second Wednesday of the month. http://www.dixierockart.com/

<u>Colorado Archaeological Association, Grand Junction Chapter</u> meets on the second Monday of the month. https://www.meetup.com/CAS-GI/

<u>San Diego Rock Art Association</u> (SDRAA) meets at the Kumeyaay Center in Poway every other month, sometimes on the first Sunday, sometimes not. https://sandiegorockart.org/meetings

<u>Utah Public Archaeology Network</u>. Calendar of events and monthly newsletter. https://history.utah.gov/antiquities/upan

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