

# Curriculum Vitae

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### Educational Background

- BS.** Western Michigan University, 1969 (Anthropology major, Biology and Sociology minors) Graduated with University and Departmental Honors in Anthropology
- MA** The Pennsylvania State University, 1972 (Anthropology with a specialization in archaeology) Thesis Title: "The B-III-5 Complex, Kaminaljuyu, Guatemala," thesis advisor: William T. Sanders.
- Ph.D.** The Pennsylvania State University, 1975 (Anthropology with a specialization in archaeology) Dissertation Title: "The Valley of Guatemala: A Highland Port of Trade," dissertation advisor: William T. Sanders.

### Academic and Professional Positions and Teaching Awards

- 1970-75 Teaching Assistant, Research Assistant, Instructor, Department of Anthropology, The Pennsylvania State University
- 1975-77 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology and Assistant Director of the Archaeological Research Laboratory, East Carolina University
- 1977-81 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, The University of Houston
- 1978-80 Regional Vice President, Texas Archaeological Society
- 1981-2004 Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology and Director of the Archaeological Research Laboratory, The University of Houston
- 1983-92 Chairman, Department of Anthropology, The University of Houston
- 1996-2002 Member, Texas State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places, Texas Historical Commission. (Vice-Chair, 1997-98)
- 1999-2002 Member, Texas Independence Trail Board of Directors, Texas Historical Commission and Texas Department of Transportation
- 1999 College of Social Sciences Teaching Excellence Award Winner

2000	Outstanding Professor, College of Social Sciences Alumni Association, University of Houston
2000-06 2009-Present	Elected Social Science/CLASS Member, University of Houston Faculty Senate
2003	"Slavery: Another Voice." Invited seminar taught for the Houston Teachers Institute and the Houston Independent School District, Spring Semester.
2003-Present	Member, Faculty Advisory Council, Houston Teachers Institute, University of Houston.
2004-Present	Professor of Anthropology, Department of Anthropology and Director of the Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston.
2007	Recipient of the University of Houston's Provost's Faculty Award for Mentoring Undergraduate Research.
2010-Present	Member of the Advisory Board, and Member of the Program Committee of the Archaeological Institute of America-Houston Chapter.

### **Grants and Research Awards**

1969-70	National Science Foundation Traineeship in Anthropology
1972	Ford Foundation Research Grant in Anthropology
1973-74	Hill Foundation Dissertation Research Grant in Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, The Pennsylvania State University
1977-79	National Science Foundation Research Grant in Anthropology, co-principal investigator with Drs. Robert Carmack and Lyle Campbell (\$132,000.00)
1977	National Geographic Society Research Grant in Anthropology (\$13,100.00)
1978	National Geographic Society Research Grant in Anthropology (\$16,190.00)
1984-86	Contract Research Award, City of Houston: The George R. Brown Convention Center Project: Phase II Test Excavations (\$73,250.00); Phase III Data Recovery Excavations (\$40,468.00)
1986-91	Contract Research Award, City of Houston: The Old City Cemetery Project (\$15,510.00 for 1986-87; \$6,930.00 for 1990-91; and \$2,000.00 from the Anchorage Foundation)
1989 and 1994-99	Contract Research Award, Harris County, Texas: The Criminal Justice Center Project, Block 12, Houston, Texas (Phase I, \$10,317.00; Phase II, \$203,500.00; Phase III, \$230,000.00)
1989	Contract Research Award, Harris County, Texas: The Inmate Processing Center Project, Block 5, Houston, Texas (\$12,250.00)
1991	Contract Research Award, METRO, Houston, Texas: The Kelley Street Transit Way Project, Houston, Texas Project (\$9,785.00)

1991-92	Contract Research Award, TX DOT, Austin, Texas: The IH-610/US-59 Connector Ramp, Houston, Texas Project (\$21,225.00)
2002-03	Contract Research Award, TPWD, Austin, Texas: Technical Reports for the Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Site. (\$124,000.00)
2007	Archaeological Investigation of the Magnolia Plantation's Quarters Community. Proposal submitted to The Cane River National Heritage Area Foundation, Funded. (\$41,283.50)
1975-2010	Fifteen internal University grants from East Carolina University and the University of Houston

### **Major Field and Laboratory Research Projects**

<b>Guatemala</b>	<p>The Kaminaljuyu Archaeological Project, Field Supervisor, 1970</p> <p>The Solano/San Antonio Frutal Archaeological Project, Project Director, 1973-74</p> <p>The Quiche Basin Archaeological and Ethnohistoric Project, Co-Principal Investigator, Director of Archaeology, 1977-81</p>
<b>Mexico</b>	<p>Basin of Mexico Ecological Survey, Field Assistant, 1972</p>
<b>United States</b>	<p>The George R. Brown Convention Center Project, Principal Investigator, 1984-85</p> <p>Houston's Old City Cemetery Project, Harris County, Texas, Principal Investigator, 1986-92</p> <p>The Harris County Criminal Justice Center Project, Principal Investigator, 1989, 1993-96</p> <p>The Harris County Inmate Processing Center Project, Principal Investigator, 1989</p> <p>The IH-610 to US-59 Direct Connector Ramp Project, Houston, Harris County, Texas, Principal Investigator, 1991-92</p> <p>The Kelley Street Transit Way Project, Houston, Harris County, Texas, Principal Investigator, 1991</p> <p>The Levi Jordan Plantation Archaeological, Historical, and Oral History Project, Brazoria County, Texas, Principal Investigator, 1986-Present</p> <p>Frogmore Plantation Archaeological, Historical, and Oral Historical Project, St. Helena Island, South Carolina, Principal Investigator, 1997-Present</p> <p>Richmond Hill Plantation Praise House Archaeological Project, Bryan County, Georgia, Principal Investigator, 2002-Present</p> <p>Magnolia Plantation Quarters Archaeological, Historical, and Oral Historical Project, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana, Principal Investigator, 2005-Present</p>

(Under permit with the Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, National Park Service, Tallahassee, Florida.)

### **Contract Monographs Approved by State Historic Preservation Office**

- 1976      A Report on the Impact on Archaeological-Historical Resources of Proposed Improvements to the Simmons-Nott Airport, New Burn, North Carolina. Archaeological Impact Studies No. 6, Archaeological Research Laboratory, East Carolina University, 30 pages.
- 1976      An Archaeological-Historical Impact Statement: The Proposed Harnett County Airport. Archaeological Impact Studies No. 12, Archaeological Research Laboratory, East Carolina University, 27 pages.
- 1977      An Archaeological-Historic Impact Statement: The Proposed Harnett County Airport, Phase II--Excavations and Additional Survey. Archaeological Impact Studies No. 17, Archaeological Research Laboratory, East Carolina University, 67 pages.
- 1989      Block 12, South Side Of Buffalo Bayou, Houston, Texas: Phase I Historical and Archaeological Investigations Survey. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #1, 52 pages. (with Janet K. Wagner and Rikki Rubenstein)
- 1989      Block 5, South Side Of Buffalo Bayou, Houston, Texas: Phase I And II Historical And Archaeological Investigations. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #2, 65 pages.
- 1992      Archaeology And History Of METRO's Proposed Kelley Street Transit Way, Houston, Texas. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #5, 165 pages
- 1993      Archaeology And History Of TX Dot's Proposed IH-610 To US-59, Houston, Texas. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #6, 78 pages
- 1997      May They Rest In Peace (At Least Until Property Values Rise): An Assessment Of The Impact of Modern Construction On Houston's Old City Cemetery. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #3, 209 pages (in press)
- 1998      The Archaeology and History of Block 12, South Side of Buffalo Bayou (41HR787), Houston, Texas. BC & AD Archaeology, Inc., Reports of Excavations, NO. 6. 391 pages. (with William Taylor, et al.)
- 2003      Management Summary Report for the Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Park, Brazoria County, Texas. Prepared for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Austin. (27 pages)
- 2004      Levi Jordan Plantation Historical Archaeological Research Design. The Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Site, Brazoria County, Texas, Technical Report Series, Volume #1. Prepared for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Austin. (77 pages)

- 2005      The Archaeology of Cabin I-A-1: The Levi Jordan Plantation Quarters Community's Praise House/Church. The Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Site, Brazoria County, Texas, Technical Report Series, Volume #2. Prepared for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Austin. (147 pages)
- 2005      Preliminary Report on the 2005 Test Excavations in the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches, Louisiana. Prepared for the National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee. (27 pages)
- 2006      The Archaeology of Cabin I-B-3: The Bone, Shell, and Wood Carver's Cabin. The Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Site, Brazoria County, Texas, Technical Report Series, Volume #3. Prepared for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Austin. (114 pages)
- 2006      A Preliminary Report on the 2006 Research into the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches, Louisiana. Prepared for The National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee (45 pages, with Dee Heacock and Sara Ridge)
- 2008      A Preliminary Report on the 2007 Excavations into the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana. (Editor) Prepared for The National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee. (104 pages)
- 2009      A Preliminary Report on the 2008 Excavations into the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana. (Editor) Prepared for The National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee. (74 pages)
- 2010      A Preliminary Report on the 2009 Excavations into the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana. (Editor) Prepared for The National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee. (78 pages)
- 2010      A Preliminary Report on the 2009 Excavations into the Quarters Community of the Magnolia Plantation, Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana. (Editor) Prepared for The National Park Service, Southeast Regional Archaeological Center, Tallahassee. (58 pages)
- n.d.a.      The Thompson House (Block 126, Lot 1, South Side Of Buffalo Bayou, Houston, Texas): Archaeology And The Control Of An Epidemic Disease. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #7, with Rikki Rubenstein, (in press)
- n.d.b.      The Jane Wilkins Cabin, 1822-24: The Archaeology Of One Of Houston's Earliest Families. Department of Anthropology, Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #8, with JoAnn StClair (in preparation)
- n.d.c.      Excavating Thirteen Blocks Of A Twilight Zone: Archaeology Of The George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas. Department of Anthropology,

(in Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Houston, Publication #4,  
preparation)

### Books in Preparation

Spirits and Ancestors: An Archaeology of 19<sup>th</sup> Century African American Spirituality. (in preparation)

And Everything that I Own or Shall Acquire: The Archaeology of the Levi Jordan Quarters Community. (in preparation)

### Published Articles in Professional Sources

- 1973 "The B-III-5 mound group: Early and Middle Classic civic architecture." IN The Pennsylvania State University Kaminaljuyu Project: 1969, 1970 seasons, Part I-Mound Excavations, Joseph W. Michels and William T. Sanders, eds. Occasional Papers in Anthropology, No. 9:391-464. The Pennsylvania State University, Department of Anthropology.
- 1977 "The Valley of Guatemala: A Highland Port-of-Trade." IN Teotihuacan and Kaminaljuyu: A Study in Prehistoric Culture Contact, William T. Sanders and Joseph W. Michels, eds. The Pennsylvania State University Press Monograph Series on Kaminaljuyu, Vol. No. 2:205-396.
- 1977 "Toward a systematic explanation of culture change within the Middle Classic of the Valley of Guatemala." IN Teotihuacan and Kaminaljuyu: A Study in Prehistoric Culture Contact, William T. Sanders and Joseph W. Michels, eds. The Pennsylvania State University Press Monograph Series on Kaminaljuyu, Vol. No. 2:411-440.
- 1978 "The ceramic phasing of the southern Valley of Guatemala." IN The Ceramics of Kaminaljuyu, Ronald K. Wetherington, ed. The Pennsylvania State University Monograph Series on Kaminaljuyu, Vol. No. 3:151-172.
- 1979 "Review: Burr C. Brundage, The Fifth Sun: Aztec Gods, Aztec World." IN Inter-American Review of Bibliography, Vol. XXIX, No. 2:205-206.
- 1980 "A brief report on Paleo-Indian/Archaic occupation in the Quiche Basin, Guatemala." IN American Antiquity, Vol. 45, No. 2:313-324.
- 1980 "Review: William T. Sanders, Jeffrey Parsons, and Robert S. Santley, The Basin of Mexico: Ecological Processes in the Evolution of a Civilization." IN American Antiquity, Vol. 45, No. 4:884-886.
- 1980 "Comment: Elizabeth M. Brumfiel, 'Specialization, Market Exchange, and the Aztec State: A view from Hoexotla.'" IN Current Anthropology, Vol. 21, No. 4:467-68.
- 1980 "Archaeology in the Quiche Basin, Guatemala." IN Mexikon, Vol. 2, No. 5:72-3.

- 1981 "Intercambio y un modelo de la influencia Mexicana Central en el altiplano de Guatemala." IN Memorias de la XVI Reunion de la Mesa Redonda, Sociedad Mexicana de Antropologia, Vol. 1:331-38.
- 1982 "Prehistoric demography within the central Quiche area, Guatemala." IN The Historical Demography of Highland Guatemala, Robert M. Carmack, John Early, and Christopher Lutz, eds. Institute for Mesoamerican Studies, Publication No. 6:35-48. University of Texas Press.
- 1982 "Comment: Robert L. Brooks, 'Events in the archaeological context and archaeological explanation.'" IN Current Anthropology, 23 (1):70-71.
- 1983 we "Some comments on ethnohistory and archaeology: have we attained (are even approaching) a truly conjunctive approach?" IN Reviews in Anthropology, Vol. 10, No. 3:53-71.
- 1983 "Una historia cultural de los Quiches Centrales desde el punto de vista arqueologico." IN Nuevas Perepectivas Sobre el Popol Vuh, Robert M. Carmack and Francisco Morales Santos, eds. pp. 217-25. Editorial Piedra Santa, Guatemala. (with Terecita Majewski)
- 1984 "Hallucinogenic mushrooms, jade, obsidian, and the Guatemalan highlands: what did the Olmecs really want?" IN Trade and Exchange in Early Mesoamerica, Kenn Hirth, ed. pp. 215-33. The University of New Mexico Press.
- 1985 "Postclassic relations between the highland and lowland Maya," IN The Lowland Maya Postclassic, Arlen F. Chase and Pru M. Rice, eds. pp. 270-81. The University of Texas Press.
- 1985 "The development of Central Quichean civilization." IN National Geographic Society Research Reports, vol. 18:1-8.
- 1987 "Review: John M. Weeks, Chisalin: A Late Postclassic Maya Settlement in Highland Guatemala. IN American Antiquity, Vol.52, No. 1:195-95.
- 1987 "Core or periphery: the 'Highland Maya question.'" IN Interaction on the Southeastern Mesoamerican Frontier, Eugenia J. Robinson, ed. BAR International Series, No. 327:421-34.
- 1988 "Filling some gaps in Houston's unwritten history: two examples from historical archaeology." IN A Collection of Papers Reviewing the Archaeology of Southeast Texas, Patricia Wheat and Richard L. Gregg, eds. The Houston Archaeological Society, Report No. 5:45-48.
- 1989 "Review: William K. Adams (ed.), Historical Archaeology of Plantations at Kings Bay, Camden County, Georgia." IN The Journal of Southern History, 55 (1):118-19.
- 1989 "Review: William R. Fowler, Jr., Analysis of the Chipped Stone Artifacts of El Mirador, Guatemala." IN American Antiquity, 54 (4):885-86.
- 1989 "A social archaeology of prehistoric Quiche-Maya households." IN Households and Communities: Proceedings of the 21st Annual Chacmool

- Conference, S. MacEachern, D. J. W. Archer, and R.D. Garvin, eds. pp. 381-87. The University of Calgary.
- 1990 "Structural continuity in an African-American slave and tenant community." IN Historical Archaeology, 24 (4):7-19. (with Doreen Cooper)
- 1992 "Review: James L. Michie, Richmond Hill Plantation 1810-1868: The Discovery of Antebellum Life on a Waccamaw Rice Plantation." IN The Journal of Southern History, LVIII (3):524-25.
- 1992 "From non-elite to elite: the Quiche example." IN Mesoamerican Elites: An Archaeological Assessment, D. Z. Chase and A. F. Chase, eds. pp. 169-190. The University of Oklahoma Press. (with John Fox and Dwight T. Wallace).
- 1994 "From slavery to freedom to slavery: the importance of African-American genealogical research in the interpretation of archaeological data." IN The Proceedings of the American Genealogical Society, Vol. 1:98-104.
- 1994 "Material culture and community structure: the slave and tenant community at Levi Jordan's Plantation, 1848-1892." IN Working Toward Freedom: Slave Society and Domestic Economy in the American South, Larry E. Hudson, Jr., ed. pp. 95-118. The University of Rochester Press.
- 1997 "Historical archaeology and the public: some thoughts on the archaeologist's responsibility." IN African American Archaeology Newsletter, 14 (3):6-7.
- 2001 "Intertwined Traditions: the Conjuror's Cabins and the African American cemetery at the Jordan and Frogmore Plantations." IN Places of Cultural Memory: African Reflections on the American Landscape, pp. 99-114. Published by The U.S. Department of the Interior—The National Park Service.
- 2003 "Bakongo Cosmograms or Christian Crosses?" IN Newsletter, The Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists, Vol. XXIV, No. 4:2-5.
- 2004 "Ethnography, archaeology, and the African Diaspora: perspectives from a tenant community." Historical Archaeology, Vol. 38(1):79-89
- 2008 "Africans in American Material Culture: Does a pot hanger only function when it is used for cooking." The Bulletin of the Texas Archaeological Society, Vol. 79:3-18.
- n.d.d "BaKongo Cosmograms, Christian Crosses, Or None Of The Above: An Archaeology of African American Spiritual Adaptations into the 1920s." IN Materializing Freedom, ed. By J. Barnes. University of South Carolina Press, Columbia. (in press).

### **Museum Exhibits Curated and Profession Workshops Given**

- 2008 Interwoven Traditions: The Spiritual Journey from African to African American. Exhibit for the Houston IFEST and the Harris County Heritage Society, April-September, 2008.



- 2011 "BaKongo Cosmograms, Christian Crosses, Or Something Else?: A Workshop on the Interpretation of Religion and Spirituality in African Diaspora Contexts." Workshop given at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Austin, TX. (Jan. 5, 2011).

### **Interactive Computer Web-site**

- 1999 Public interpretation of the historical archaeology of the Levi Jordan Plantation." [www.webarchaeology.com](http://www.webarchaeology.com) Developed in collaboration with Carol McDavid, University of Cambridge.

### **Publications in Non-professional Sources**

- 1976 "Review: Robert F. Marx, The Underwater Dig: An Introduction to Marine Archaeology." IN The Daily Reflector, Greenville.
- 1980 "Archaeology, history, and the Wallisville Townsite: professional neglect in action." IN The Journal of the Houston Archaeological Society, No. 67:24-27.
- 1985 "Urban archaeology and history in a Twilight Zone: 13 blocks on the edge of downtown Houston, Texas." IN The Journal of the Houston Archaeological Society, No. 82:16-21.
- 1988 "Did Houston fly the flag of England?" IN Houston Update, No. 7:5,7.

### **Papers Presented at Professional Meetings**

- 1972-2007 A total of 35 papers were delivered at professional meetings during this period: American Anthropological Association (5); Society for American Archaeology (7); Society for Historical Archaeology (5); Society for Ethnohistory (2); Misc. Invited Papers (7); Misc. Other Prof. Meetings (9).
- Papers Presented related to historical archaeology, and not included above:
- 1983 Organizer and Chair of the symposium entitled: "Ethnohistory and Archaeology: Do We Have a Truly Conjunctive Approach?" American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago.
- 1989 "From slavery to wage labor tenancy: Structural continuity in an Afro-American community." Invited paper for an NEH sponsored conference entitled "Digging the Afro-American Past: Archaeology and the Black Experience." University of Mississippi, Oxford.
- 1990 Organizer and Chair of the symposium entitled: "Archaeological Methods in Urban Contexts: Variations Caused by Site Scales." Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Tucson.
- 1991 "Some comments of the shelf-life of status and ideology in historic cemeteries: a case study from Houston, Texas." Paper presented at the Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Richmond.
- 1991 Invited discussant, First De Lange Conference, "Human Impact on the Environment," Rice University, Houston.

- 1991 "Archaeology and African-American culture: the magician/curer's cabin at the Levi Jordan Plantation, Texas." Paper presented at the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting, New Orleans.
- 1992 Organizer and Chair of the symposium entitled: "Historical Archaeology of a Slave and Tenant Community: The Levi Jordan Plantation, Brazoria County, Texas." Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Kingston, Jamaica.
- 1992 "An overview of history and archaeology at the Levi Jordan Plantation, Brazoria County, Texas." Paper presented at the Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Kingston, Jamaica.
- 1993 "Material culture and the archaeological definition of African-American ethnicity." Invited paper for the symposium entitled "African-American Archaeology." Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Kansas City.
- 1993 "Material culture and community structure: the slave and tenant community at Levi Jordan's Plantation, 1842-1892." Invited paper at the NEH sponsored "Working Toward Freedom: A Conference on African-American Work and Culture Under Slavery" held at the University of Rochester, Rochester.
- 1994 "From slavery to freedom to slavery: the importance of African-American genealogical research in the interpretation of archaeological data." Invited paper presented at the American Genealogical Society Annual Meeting, Houston.
- 1995 "African symbols in clay--an African cosmogram on a brick from the Jordan Plantation Slave/Tenant Community." Paper presented in the session on African American Archaeology, Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
- 1996 "Historical archaeology and the public: some thoughts on the archaeologist's responsibility." Paper presented in the session on African American archaeology, at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Cincinnati.
- 1996 Co-Organizer and Co-Chair of a session entitled "Communities, Descendants, and Collaboration: Planning the public interpretation of the archaeology of the Levi Jordan Plantation" presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Living History Farms And Museums, Houston
- 1997 "Historical archaeology of spiritualism among the tenant community at the Levi Jordan Plantation." Paper and posters presented in a session on African American archaeology, at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Corpus Christi
- 1998 "Ethnography, archaeology, and the African Diaspora: perspectives from a tenant community." Paper presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Atlanta.
- 1998 Co-Organizer and Co-Chair of a session entitled "Perspectives on the evolution of African American Culture: the historical archaeology of the

- annual tenant community at the Levi Jordan Plantation.” Presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Atlanta.
- 1998 “Introduction to the Levi Jordan Plantation Historical Archaeology Project: a historical study of the project.” Paper presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Atlanta.
- 1998 Archaeology and spirituality: the conjurer/midwife and the Praise House/church at the Levi Jordan Plantation.” Paper presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Atlanta.
- 1998 “Of myths and archaeology: Quichean origins and the Toltec question.” Invited presentation at “The International Texas Maya Meetings,” Austin
- 1999 “On the use of Gullah ethnography in archaeological interpretation of rural African American life in the 1800s.” Paper presented to the Gullah Consortium, National Park Service, Mt. Pleasant
- 2000-01 “From archaeological interpretation to public interpretation: collaboration within the discipline for a better public archaeology (phase one).” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Philadelphia. (An altered version of this paper was presented in an invited symposium at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco. Another slightly altered version of this paper was presented at the Annual Meetings of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Santa Barbara)
- 2001 “Interwoven traditions: Archaeology of the Conjurer’s Cabins and the African American Cemetery at the Jordan and Frogmore Manor Plantations.” Invited paper presented at the conference entitled “Places of Cultural Memory: African Reflections on the American Landscape.” Sponsored by the U.S. Department of the Interior—The National Park Service, Atlanta.
- 2001 “The Archaeology of Ritual on South Carolina Plantation Sites: Artifacts and Contexts.” Invited paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Chattanooga.
- 2002 “Two African American Cosmograms: Creolization, Ritual, and Material Culture.” Paper presented at the 35<sup>th</sup> Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Society for Historical Archaeology, Mobile.
- 2002 Artifacts, Contexts, Archaeology, and the Interpretation of the African American Past.” Invited presentation in the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Randall L. Gibson Conference “Interpreting the Culture and Natural Resources of the Mississippi River Valley,” New Orleans. Organized by Tulane University, The National Park Service, and the U.S. Army Corpse of Engineers.
- 2003 “Spirits and Ancestors: Archaeology and the Role of Peoples of African Descent in Adapting Christianity.” Invited presentation 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Deerfield-Wellesley Symposium in American Culture “African Cultures in the North American Diaspora: An Interdisciplinary Symposium,” Deerfield.
- 2005 “Archaeology and the Evolution of African American Culture.” Invited presentation in the symposium entitled “Inside and Out: A Symposium on the Slave/Tenant Quarters of the South.” Sponsored by: The Cane River Creole

National Historical Park and the African American Experience Fund, Natchitoches.

- 2006 "Coming from the country into the city: Adapting behaviors and symbols in an urban setting." Paper presented at the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Society for Historical Archaeology, Sacramento
- 2006 "Africans in American Material Culture." Invited presentation in a symposium sponsored by The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and Texas Southern University, Houston
- 2007 "African American Life Along the River: Results of the 2006 Archaeological Investigations in the Magnolia Plantation Quarters." Invited presentation in the *Symposium on African American History*, sponsored by the Cane River Creole National Historic Park, Natchitoches
- 2007 "Magnolia Underground: Archaeology and Historic Preservation on a National Park." Keynote presentation at the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training's Annual Preservation Technology Conference, Natchitoches
- 2008 "Adapting Christianity: 19<sup>th</sup> Century African American Resistance and Cultural Development." Paper presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, within the symposium entitled *Archaeologies of Resistance: The Underground Railroad, Maroonage, Armed Struggle, and Beyond*. Albuquerque
- 2008  
Culture "Giving Respect: An Archaeological Interpretation of African American in the Plantation South." Invited presentation in the Symposium entitled *What Are We Saying: Discovering How People of African Descent Are Interpreted On Louisiana Plantations* sponsored by the Cane River Creole National Historical Park, the National Park Service and the Louisiana Office of State Parks, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, State of Louisiana. Baton Rouge
- 2009 "BaKongo Cosmograms, Christian Crosses, Or None Of The Above: An Archaeology of African American Spiritual Adaptations into the 1920s." Invited presentation in the Symposium "The Archaeology of the Recent African American Past" sponsored by the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, Columbia.
- 2010 "Looking Back, a Legacy of Belief." Invited presentation in "Voyages of the Middle Passage: Africa, the Americas, and Slavery" sponsored by the Archaeological Institute of America-Houston Chapter and the Houston Museum of African-American Culture, Houston.

## Fields of Specialization

Archaeological Method and Theory  
 Historical Archaeological Method and Theory  
 African American Archaeology, History, and Oral History  
 Mesoamerican Archaeology and Ethnohistory  
 Urban Archaeology

**Professional Society Affiliations**

Society for Historical Archaeology  
African American Archaeology Research Group  
Urban Archaeology Research Group  
Southern Historical Association  
Afro-American Genealogical and Historical Society  
Archaeological Institute of America  
The Texas State Historical Association  
Counsel of Texas Archaeologists  
Texas Archaeological Association