

38th Mid-South Archaeological Conference
University of Mississippi

The topic for the 2017 Mid-South Conference is the early contact period with a particular focus on how native societies were affected by European explorers and early colonists. Unlike the larger conferences there is only one session, the papers are followed by questions and answers, and there is no registration fee. We invite you all to come to Oxford. If you have any questions, please contact one of the co-organizers Maureen Meyers (memeyer1@olemiss.edu), Tony Boudreaux (tboud@olemiss.edu) or Jay Johnson (sajay@olemiss.edu).

Saturday, July 29

9:00 *Welcome and organizational information*

9:15 **Jeffrey M. Mitchem**

Show Me the Artifacts: Updating Our Knowledge of the Hernando de Soto Expedition West of the Mississippi River

9:40 **Alyson Thibodeau and Jeffrey M. Mitchem**

Lead Isotope Studies of Presumed Early Metal Artifacts from Northeast Arkansas

10:05 *Morning Break*

10:15 **George Sabo**

The Carden Bottoms Site in Arkansas and the Question of Coalescent Communities

10:40 **John House**

European Trade Goods and Chronology on the Lower Arkansas River

11:05 **Tony Boudreaux, Allie Smith, Emily Clark, Charlie Cobb, and Brad Lieb**

Initial Contact at the Stark Farm Site in Northeast Mississippi

11:30 *Lunch*

1:00 **Brad Lieb**

Problems in the Protohistoric: Archaeology of the Northeast Mississippi Blackland Prairie

1:25 **Ryan Parish and Jay Johnson**

Oliver and Orchard Thumbnail Scrapers, A Technological and Source-Area Analysis

1:50 **Ned Jenkins and Craig Sheldon**

The Hernando De Soto and Tristan de Luna y Arellano Expeditions through Central Alabama, 1540-1560: Routes, Cultures, and Consequences

2:15 **Craig Sheldon**

Recently Discovered De Soto Entrada and Luna Expedition Artifacts from the Alabama River Drainage

2:40 **Dennis Blanton**

The Glass Site in South-Central Georgia and Its Implications for Entrada-related Archaeology

- 3:05 *Afternoon Break*
- 3:20 **Elliot Blair, Dennis Blanton, Jessica Dalton-Carriger, and Robert Templin**
"Non-diagnostic" Beads as Chronological Markers: Evidence from the Colonial Southeast
- 3:45 **John Worth**
Interactions between Spaniards and Southeastern Indians in Florida between 1513 and 1650
- 4:10 **Ramie Gougeon**
New Frontier, Old Frontier
- 4:35 **Rochelle Marrinan**
Early and Late Mission Assemblages from Apalachee Province
- 6:10 *Dinner and Drinks TBA*

Sunday, July 30

- 9:00 **Greg Waselkov and Phil Carr**
On the Edge of the Edge: Late "Protohistoric"/"Early Historic" Displaced People on the Northern Gulf Coast
- 9:25 **Nate Shreve and Jay Franklin**
Geophysics, Settlement Patterning, and Ceramic Practice in Early Coalescent Societies of the Contact Era in the Middle Nolichucky Valley
- 9:50 **Chris Rodning**
From the Coast to the Mountains: Marine Shell Artifacts at Cherokee Towns in the Southern Appalachians
- 10:15 *Morning Break*
- 10:30 **Matt Davidson**
Measuring Fort Ancient Production on the Frontier of the Early World Economy
- 10:55 **Maureen Meyers**
Native Settlement and Trade: Archaeological Signatures of 17th, and 18th Century Sites in the Augusta Area
- 11:20 **Denise Bossy**
Yamasee Mobility as a Response to Early Contact
- 11:45 **Robbie Ethridge**
Differential Responses to European Incursion Across the Southeast
- 12:10 *Closing Remarks, Schedule for Publication, and Lunch*