



2016

ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



The 2016 Colorado Archaeological Society Alice Hamilton Scholarship Award Committee awarded \$3,600 this spring to a field of six Scholars consisting of five Masters Candidates and one PhD Candidate.

All of this year's applicants were well qualified and were supported with Letters of Recommendation from top archaeological educators and researchers around Colorado. The Scholars were from two institutions in Colorado, and projects involved research from Paleolithic through Modern periods.

The Scholarship requirement is that students be enrolled with at least half-time load at a Colorado institution of higher education in archaeology or related field. Awards are made on the quality of the application and worthiness of the project as it pertains to the enrichment of the field of archaeology, with an emphasis on Colorado, Southwestern or Rocky Mountain archaeology.

The Scholarship fund monies are generated by donation and through fund-raising activities at the State and local Chapter levels. \$750 is the maximum award allowed to any one student. Since Scholarship inception in 1987, CAS has awarded \$89,225 to 246 Scholars.

The 2016 Alice Hamilton Scholars are:

Lindsay Johansson, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$750

For dissertation fieldwork: Partial funding for expenses during excavation of a Fremont multi-room adobe structure at the Wolf Village site on private land in central Utah.

Amir Abbas, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$500

For thesis fieldwork: Partial funding for the comparative analysis of ritual material from Pueblo Bonito and Aztec Ruins (American Museum of Natural History, New York City), Salmon Ruins (Salmon Ruins Research Library, Bloomfield, NM) and Chetro Ketl (Hibben Center, Albuquerque).

Tessa Branyan, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$750

For thesis fieldwork expenses: Partial funding to perform a LIDAR-assisted study of the architecture of the Chimney Rock Great House and to perform an aerial photography search for pathways ("roads") connecting the Great House and the eight small communities clustered to the south of the mesa.

Matthew Muttart, Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$700

For thesis fieldwork expenses: Partial funding for study of tooth-marks on fleshed bones fed to sixteen carnivore species. The feedings will take place at the Denver Zoo and the Wolf Sanctuary in Rist Canyon, CO.

Heather Seltzer, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$500

For thesis labwork: Partial funding for study of Puebloan iconography and its changes from pre- to post- Pueblo Revolt in 1680. The study will utilize existing collections at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture and The Museum of International Folk Art, both in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Andrew Viloudaki, Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins **\$400**

For thesis fieldwork: Partial funding for fieldwork at the Vanoli Block red-light district in Ouray, Colorado. The goal is to study the site formation and preservation/destruction processes especially as influenced by documentary evidence, including construction permits, business licenses and city ordinances.

A heartfelt thank-you is extended to all students who applied, and to the seven educators and other professionals who wrote letters of recommendation for the applicants. It is very interesting and rewarding for the committee members to read and rank the applications. The decisions were, as always, difficult. Scholars are encouraged to apply in subsequent years, if they still meet the eligibility requirements.

C.A.S. requires that the Scholars submit a short written summary on how the monies were used. They are also strongly encouraged to present their research findings or a progress report at the C.A.S. annual meeting, or at a local Chapter monthly meeting or newsletter, as appropriate. Completed papers may also be submitted for publication in C.A.S.' respected quarterly journal, Southwestern Lore. This dissemination of our funded research results is of significant benefit to the C.A.S. membership, to the individual Scholar and to the profession.

This report is being sent to all Scholars, their references, C.A.S. Chapters and to various Colorado public and educational entities as a press release. C.A.S. members who are interested in reading applications may contact the Committee via email, phone or mail.

Respectfully submitted,

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