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**Dr. Rachel Wentz**

**Director, FPAN East Central Region**

Dr. Wentz graduated from Florida State University with a PhD in Anthropology and specializes in the bioarchaeological analysis of human remains with foci on ancient disease and population health. Her master's thesis was an analysis of fracture frequencies among the Windover skeletal population; a 7,000-year-old site in Titusville, FL. Her doctoral dissertation was a bioarchaeological assessment of the same population using the Western Hemisphere Health Index. Dr. Wentz has also analyzed remains from Little Salt Spring and Calico Hill, both prehistoric sites in Florida. She has done skeletal work in St. Croix, England, and Ukraine. She obtained experience in forensic anthropology at the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory at the University of Florida, Gainesville and received training in the analyses of stable isotopes at the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory at Florida State University. Dr. Wentz has taught courses in physical anthropology, human osteology and forensic anthropology at Florida State University.

***What is Public Archaeology?*** – An overview of the Florida Public Archaeology Network and an example of public archaeology in action through the examination of one of the most important archeological sites in North America - the 7,000-year-old Windover site in Titusville.

***Windover: A Mortuary Pond from Florida's Archaic*** – Explore one of the most ancient, well-preserved archaeological sites in North America. Located in Titusville, the Windover archaeological site was a pond used for the interment of the dead over 7,000 years ago. One hundred and sixty eight individuals were excavated and the analysis of their remains has provided insight into the life and health of people during Florida's Archaic period.

***In the Dirt: The Lowdown on Archaeology in Florida*** - An overview of the history of archaeological exploration in Florida and the development of professional archaeology in our state.

***Critters and Culture: Animals in the Archaeological Record*** - A look at animal remains in the archaeological record and what they can tell us about diet, utility, and symbolism in past cultures.

***Bones and Bodies: How Skeletons Unlock the Past*** – See how skeletons reveal the past through the examination of traumatic injury, nutrition, disease, and culture.

***Battlefield Burials: Collecting the Dead*** - Learn about the unusual ways the dead were treated and interred during war. From Native American traditions to those of the Civil War, burial of fallen warriors and soldiers has ranged from celebrations of death to the practicality of mass graves. This presentation explores the eclectic means of burial during wartime.

***Beneath the Surface: Exploring Florida's Ancient Pond Cemeteries*** – Explore how Florida's early people used natural bodies of water in which to bury their dead.

***Bioarchaeology: What the Bones Tell Us*** – An introduction to the analysis of human remains and how we learn about life and death of past populations, including traumatic injury, nutrition, activity patterns, and dental disease.



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## **Mr. Tim Brock**

### **Outreach Coordinator, FPAN East Central Region**

Mr. Brock is a historical archaeologist and serves as Outreach Coordinator for FPAN's East Central Region. He provides public lectures and school presentations and assists teachers with bringing archaeology into the classroom. He has a Bachelor's degree in Anthropology from Georgia Southern University and has conducted archeological fieldwork on plantation sites in southern Georgia and coastal South Carolina. Mr. Brock holds a Masters degree in Geography with an emphasis in political ecology from the University of Kansas. His thesis examined contemporary land use practices of indigenous peoples of the Brazilian Amazon. His cultural studies abroad include Argentina, Uruguay, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Germany. Mr. Brock has taught courses in geography and environmental studies at the University of Kansas and Coastal Georgia Community College. Tim is a Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA).

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***General Florida Archeology*** – Learn about Florida's archaeological past starting with the first peoples to enter the peninsula 12,000 years ago up through the historic period. Explore environmental clues of the past to understand the ways in which humans and their environment are connected. A display of Native American artifacts provides a "hands-on" approach to understanding our state's rich heritage.

***Post Holes and Pottery: A Look at Historic Archaeology*** – Learn how archaeologist excavate historical sites. This lecture examines the sites, structures and artifacts of historic archaeology in Florida.

***Reading the Landscape: Clues to Human Occupation*** – The relationship between humans and their environment affect the way in which peoples, both past and present, live. Explore environmental clues to understand the ways people interacted with and altered their surroundings.

***Where the Forts Are: The Geographical Distribution of Forts in Florida*** - From early Spanish exploration through the Spanish American War, forts have been an important part of life in Florida. Learn about the history of Florida's early military outposts and how they were distributed throughout the region.

### ***American Florida: Pioneers of the Peninsula***

A look at the independent spirit of American Florida. From Andrew Jackson's acquisition of Florida and the early pioneer cracker culture through Reconstruction and America's first incorporated black community we'll explore the state's coming of age.

***Teacher Training and Workshops are also available. Contact Tim Brock for more info.***