



11th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON KNAPPABLE MATERIALS

"From toolstone to stone tools"

Buenos Aires and Necochea (Argentina), November 7-12th, 2017

First Announcement - Call for Sessions

Lithic artifacts are the most frequent items recovered in archaeological contexts dated from 3 million years ago to historical times, and they are present in almost every region of the world. Since their discovery and initial studies, changes in theoretical frameworks and methods of analysis have led to changes in the way they are perceived.

In Argentina, the tradition of French analysis, subsequently influenced by the American school, led to a local methodology of lithic analysis. During the last decades of the twentieth century, lithic studies increased in frequency and addressed new topics such as the study of lithic raw materials, experimentation, taphonomy and the application of statistical methods to lithic analysis, among others. More recently, attention has focused on the study of lithic raw material sources, rock characterization, and transport, as a way of understanding human behavior in the past. The oldest lithic artifacts found in Argentina belong to the early peopling of the areas by the end of the Pleistocene, extending throughout the Holocene. During historical times, glass, which was obtained by contact with the Europeans, was also used to knap different types of artifacts. In addition, gunflints were also used, today providing information about the utilization of firearms, and were occasionally recycled by Europeans and local inhabitants.

This 11th edition of the Symposium on Knappable Materials focuses on the identification and characterization of raw material sources, as well as on the provisioning and circulation of these materials. It will also emphasize the study of manufacturing techniques employed to produce artifacts and their use. In addition, it will delve into qualitative and archaeometric methodological approaches to both raw material and end products.



The Symposium will hold sessions in Buenos Aires City (C.A.B.A) from November 7th to 10th and an optional trip to the orthoquartzite outcrops in Necochea (Buenos Aires Province, Argentina) from November 11th to 12th which are the nearest archaeological quarries. During the field trip, researchers will have the opportunity to see some of the oldest artifacts recovered in the Pampas.

We invite researchers to propose sessions for the symposium. The maximum number of sessions will be 12 (twelve). One of the chairpersons of each session should be an onsite attendee. The session proposals will be evaluated by the Organizing and the Scientific Committees and mergers may be suggested if topics overlap. Also, sessions may be added if main topics are not covered by the proposals. Taking into account the international character of the symposium, we encourage organizers to propose sessions of global interest, avoiding topics of local scope. To this end, we suggest that chairpersons from different countries coordinate each session.

The deadline for **proposal submissions** is **November 15th, 2016**. The committees will have time to evaluate them until December 17th, 2016 and the final list will be published in the second announcement. Each session should have a minimum of 8 oral presentations (onsite or virtual) in order to be held. All the authors (including co-authors) need to register for the symposium and pay a fee. Non-attendee co-authors will pay a reduced fee. Each person can be first author of only one presentation.

We would like to remind you that English will be the official language of the symposium.

IMPORTANT DATES

1) Session proposals (maximum: 12)

Deadline for proposal submission: November 15th, 2016.

Requirements: Sessions should have a minimal of 2 chairpersons – At least one of them should be an onsite attendee.

The proposal should detail the main purpose of the session and its importance for lithic studies. Maximum length suggested: 500 words.



2) Session acceptance


December 17th, 2016

3) Publication of sessions final list

Week of December 19th, 2016

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