

Resume

Alexey Zelin

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Education

Master of Arts (M.A.) in Archaeology and Anthropology *Fall 1996-Fall 2000*

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel

Thesis: “The Distribution, Function and Production of Hand Made Straight Sided Pots in the Middle Bronze Age from sites in Israel”.

Advisor, Professor E. D. Oren

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Archaeology

Fall 1992-Spring 1995

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel

Work Experience

Title: Archaeological Field Technician

Summer 2002-currently

ITARP (Illinois Transportation Archaeological Research Program) based at the Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; since 2010 an Illinois archaeological Research Program affiliated with Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign.

During this tenure I participated in the following activities:

1. Excavations:

11CK4 (Hoxie Farm), Large scale habitation site and fortified village from the Late Prehistoric Upper Mississippian period, located in South-East Chicago.

Responsibilities included taking field notes, detailed mapping, excavation of test units and dwelling structures, burials, and other features.

11MC71, Large scale habitation site from the Late Woodland period, located in Mercer County, IL.

Involved in taking field notes, detailed mapping, excavation of test units and features.

11GR267, Small habitation site from the Middle and Late Archaic period, located in Grundy County, IL.

Involved in taking careful field notes, detailed mapping procedures, use of total station and GPS, excavation of test units and features.

11LE72-74 (Dutcher Sites I-III) Large scale habitation site from middle nineteenth century (1840-1870), located in Lee county, IL.

Involved in taking field notes, detailing mapping, and excavation of cellars.

2. Survey:

Numerous pedestrian surveys and shovel testing projects in Central and Northern Illinois. Involved using GPS technologies and detailed mapping.

In Fall 2005, crew chief in the Phase I survey of Prairie Parkway project. My responsibilities included supervising and a crew, identifying archaeological sites and artifacts, mapping sites with GPS, and managing all paperwork.

3. Laboratory:

January 2003-July 2004 involved in general ITARP processing, inventory, analysis, and curation of all artifacts and ecofactual samples as well as work with computer database.

July 2004-February 2006, involved detailed analysis of ceramic and lithic artifacts from the Egan site (11ST331) under the supervision of Dr. Andrew C. Fortier.

4. Ceramic Analysis:

Beginning February 2006 involved in detailed analysis of ceramic artifacts from numerous sites across Illinois:

11S658 (Edging Site), Mississippian site located in the American Bottom.

11S639 (Rosewood Site), Early Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom.

11MS672 (Russell Site), Early Late Woodland and Mississippian site located in the American Bottom.

11MO608 (Fish Lake Site), Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom.

11F1284 (Orendorf) Mississippian site located in Illinois River Valley

11MS108 (Linkeman) Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom.

11MS27 (Reilley) Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

11MS477 (Bay Pony) Late Woodland/Terminal Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

11MS1960 (Husted) Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

11MS89 (Grove) Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

11MS636 (Vasey) Late Woodland/Terminal Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

11MS662 (Lillie) Late Woodland site located in the American Bottom Uplands

Title: Archaeologist

June 1997-May 2001

Israel Antiquities Authority (Southern Division). Omer, Israel.

During this tenure I participated in the following activities:

1. Excavations

a) *Crew chief*

Yakutiel Adam St., (Late Roman-Byzantine period settlement), located at Ashqelon, Israel

Machteshim, (Hellenistic period village in the Tell Sheva vicinity), located at Beer-Sheva, Israel

Yad Mordechay Interchange, (Iron Age – Persian period settlement), located at Western Negev, Israel

Kh. Bait B'ar, Shekef, (Late Roman-Ottoman period habitation and burial caves), located 15 km. East of Tell Lachish, Israel.

b) *Field director*

Sderot Irushalaem St., (Byzantine period winepress factory), located at Ashqelon, Israel
Rasem a'-Nakur, (Early Bronze period burial cave), located at Tell Lachish vicinity, Israel

Kh. Ziqit, Shekef, (Early Bronze III-IV periods settlement), located 15 km. East of Tell Lachish, Israel

Kh. Liqit, (Byzantine-Early Islamic cemetery), located at Northern Negev, Israel

Barnea, (Middle Bronze Age cemetery), located at Ashqelon, Israel

Tell Turmos South, (Chalcolithic-Early Bronze I Age cooking hearth), located at Shefelah region, Israel

Talmey Bilu, (Mamluk period dwelling), located at Western Negev, Israel

Beit-Hagadi, (Late Roman-Byzantine period dwelling), located in Western Negev, Israel

Nahal Ashan South-West, (Byzantine-Early Islamic periods farm stead), located at Beer Sheva, Israel

2. Survey

Pedestrian survey across southern Israel.

Involving use of GPS technologies and detailed mapping procedures.

3. Archaeological Inspection.

Included working along with construction companies to protect antiquities from damage by construction development, involved supervision on the heavy mechanical equipment.

4. Laboratory.

Involving detailed ceramic analytical expertise in the analyses of pastes, firing technology, application of functional and stylistic typologies and experimental techniques usage. Archaeological data base development. Report preparation and publication.

Title: **Archaeological Supervisor and crew chief**

Fall 1993-Spring 1995

Nizana Excavation project, affiliated with Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

Involved in all aspects of archaeological fieldwork and supervisory responsibilities over workers.

Papers Presented

2012: Clay Figurines and Modified Clay Objects from the Vaughn Branch Upland Locality, Madison County, Illinois. Presented at the 58th annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. East Lansing, Michigan.

2011: The Sponemann Ceramic Component of the Vaughn Branch Upland Locality, Northern American Bottom. Presented at the 57th annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. La Crosse, Wisconsin.

2010: Wine Presses and Wine Production in Byzantine Ashkelon, Holy Land. Presented at the 2nd ATAM Science and Archaeology Symposium. Urbana, Illinois

2010: (Coauthor with Amanda Butler) The Rocks and the Pots of Orendorf: A Look at the Material Culture of the Settlement D. Presented at the 56th annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. Bloomington, Indiana.

2010: (Coauthor with Madeline Evans) Resent Analysis of Orendorf Settlement D collections. Presented at Illinois Archaeological Survey Annual Meeting.

2010: Orendorf Settlement D: A Middle Mississippian Town Ceramic Assemblage. Presented at the 75th annual Society for American Archaeology Meeting. St. Louis, Missouri.

2009: The Patrick Phase Ceramic Assemblages from the Fish Lake Site. Presented at the 55th annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. Iowa City, Iowa.

2008: Are they Cooking Pots or Not: The Potential Function of "Straight -Walled Sites" Recovered from the Middle Bronze Age II Sites at Canaan. Presented at ATAM Science and Archaeological Symposium. Urbana, Illinois.

2008: Late Woodland Zoomorphic Figurines from the Fish Lake Site. Presented at the 54th annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

2008: (Coauthor with Brad Koldehoff and Thomas Zych) The Russell Site: A Moorehead Phase Nodal Community in the Northern American Bottom. Presented at Cahokia Mississippian Conference. Cahokia Mounds.

2007: Stylistic Aspects of Rosewood Site Ceramics. Presented at the 53rd annual Midwest Archaeological Conference. Notre Dame, Indiana.

2002: Burial cave from the Early Bronze Age at Rassem Hanaqur. Presentation at American School of Oriental Research 2002 Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario.

2001: The Distribution, Production and Function of “Straight-sided Pots” in the Middle Bronze Age in Levant. Presentation at American School of Oriental Research 2001 Annual Meeting. Boulder, Colorado.

2000: Burial cave from Early Bronze Age Period at Rasem en- Nuqur. Presentation at Twenty-Sixth Archaeological Conference in Israel. Jerusalem.

Publications

Zelin, A. 2010: Zoomorphic Effigies from the Fish Lake site. *Illinois Archaeology* 22(2): 705-725.

Zelin, A. 2010: Fish Lake Site Ceramic assemblage. Manuscript on file at ISAS.

Zelin, A. and D. Jackson 2009: Rosewood Site Ceramic Assemblage. Manuscript on file at ISAS.

D. K. Jackson, A. Zelin, A. C. Fortier, S. R. Kuehn, K. E. Parker, and S. Daniels 2009: Reevaluation of the Initial Late Woodland Period in the American Bottom. Manuscript on file at ISAS.

Zelin, A. 2008: Russell Site Ceramics. Manuscript on file at ISAS.

Zelin, A. 2007: Edging Site Ceramics. Manuscript on file at ISAS.

Zelin, A. 2004: Talmei Bilu. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 116.

Zelin, A. 2004: Tell et-Turmus. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 116.

Zelin, A. 2002: Ashqelon, Barnea'. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 114: 86*-87*.

Sountag, F., and Zelin, A. 2002: Horbat Liqit. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 114: 97*-98*.

Zelin, A. 2001: Ashqelon, Barnea'. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 113: 108*-109*.

Zelin, A. 2001: Rasm en-Nuqur. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 113: 126*.

Zelin, A. 2001: Horbat Hur. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 113: 127*.

Zelin, A. 2001: Be'er Sheva', Weizmann Street. *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 113: 129*.

Zelin, A. 2001: Tell Qeriyot (East). *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 113: 131*.

Varga, D., and Zelin, A. 2000: Qiriat Gat (South). *Hadashot Archaeologiot - Excavation and Survey in Israel* 111: 106*-107*.