

Lauren M. Fitts
CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

Illinois State University
Normal, IL. 61790
B. A., 2009
Major: Anthropology
Minor: History

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

Illinois State Archaeological Survey

Prairie Research Institute
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Western Illinois Field Station
Staff Archaeologist
604 East Vandalia Road
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Dates Employed: 03/2010-Present

Crew Chief: (2011- Present) duties include, but are not limited to, conducting field projects (i.e. survey, trenching, excavation, etc.) and the supervision of crews in aspects of field methodology and field data recording. This includes the use of GPS receivers and field photography and experience with the Total Station. From this total station data, I also produce maps using ArcMap 10.0 for ASSRs and ATSRs, which includes digitizing features from previously excavated sites for maps that are used in reports of investigations. As Crew Chief, I also prepare compliance reports by filing State (IIAPS) site forms, writing text, generating data tables, and producing maps from field sketch maps and GPS data for Archaeological Survey Short Reports (ASSRs) and Archaeological Testing Short Reports (ATSRs) for Phase I and II projects. My non-supervisory roles include survey and excavation as a skilled crewmember and experience with in field osteological recovery.

Some of the larger or more significant site excavations I have worked on include: East St Louis Mound Center (11S706), Fort Johnson and Cantonment Davis (11HA957), two War of 1812-era military installations located in Warsaw, Illinois, Bethel Town site Project, Morgan County (5 Historic Sites), Trinity Hill (11JY582), Wedding Site (11JY499) and the Hardin-Munro Site (11JY515). I also have participated in a wide variety of laboratory duties, including washing, labeling and artifact inventory.

Archaeological Analysis and Research: (2014-Present) duties include training in historic and prehistoric artifact analysis and contributions to final report preparation for above mentioned large scale, historic project (Bethel Town Project) as well as other ongoing prehistoric projects.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Illinois Archaeological Survey (IAS)

Midwest Archaeological Conference (MAC)

PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS:

Pisell, James M., & Lauren M. Fitts

2014 *A Comparison of Terminal Late Woodland Bluff Culture Structures*. Midwest Archaeological Conference, Champaign, Illinois.

Fitts, Lauren M., Jada P. Zook & Jennifer L. Goldman

2013 *New Insights on Jersey Bluff Lithic Technology: A Preliminary Analysis of the Wedding Site (11Jy499)*. Midwest Archaeological Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

Fitts, Lauren M., James M. Pisell, & Robert W. Monroe

2012 *Archaic and Late Woodland Perspectives of the Trinity Hill Site (11JY582)*. Illinois Archaeological Survey Annual Meeting, Urbana, Illinois.

Pisell, James M., Lauren M. Fitts, & Robert W. Monroe

2011 *Investigations at the Trinity Hill Site (11JY582): Late Woodland and Archaic Occupation of the Piasa Creek Valley, Jersey County, Illinois*. Midwest Archaeological Conference, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS

Cross, Matthew E., Mark C. Branstner, and Lauren M. Fitts

2014 *Archaeological Investigations at Site 11KX287 for the Kellogg/Seminary Street Overpass, Galesburg, Knox County, IL*. Archaeological Testing Short Report No. 436. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Cross, Matthew E., Mark C. Branstner, and Lauren M. Fitts

2014 *Archaeological Investigations at Site 11KX289 for the Kellogg/Seminary Street Overpass, Galesburg, Knox County, IL*. Archaeological Testing Short Report No. 438. Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Branstner, Mark C., and Lauren M. Fitts

2012 (in production) *Archaeological Investigations at Site 11MG258 (L. Becker) for the US 67 Azenzeville Rd to IL 100 Interchange Segment. Archaeological Testing Short Report No. xxx.* Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Branstner, Mark C., and Lauren M. Fitts

2012 (in production) *Archaeological Investigations at Site 11MG265 (Bear Cat I) for the US 67 Azenzeville Rd. to IL 100 Interchange Segment. Archaeological Testing Short Report No. xxx.* Illinois State Archaeological Survey, Prairie Research Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Archaeological Survey Short Reports: Authored or co-authored over 50 reports for ISAS between 2011-2014.