



RETIREE ASSOCIATION

Date: March 10, 2026
Time: 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Location: Abq Museum
2000 Mountain Rd NW
Parking is free for this event.

The event is also free!

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Join the UNM Retiree Association for a special in-person and Zoom presentation!



The event is a hybrid event (in-person and Zoom presentation).

Event zoom link: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://unm.zoom.us/j/93234896679>

Meeting ID: 932 3489 6679 | Passcode: 410761

Paleoindians, Corn and Climate Change in the American Southwest

The Career of Dr. Bruce Huckell

Dr. Bruce Huckell passed away on May 13th, 2024. He was a leader in the fields of geo-archeology, lithic technology, Paleoindian hunter-gatherers in western North America (including New Mexico) and the arrival of agriculture in the American Southwest.

He earned a Ph.D. in Arid Lands Resource Sciences in 1990 at the University of Arizona, and in 1994 assumed the position of Coordinator in the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology and Research Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of New Mexico.

He produced many important publications during his career, including several books and 85 peer-reviewed papers and book and monograph chapters. His research was enhanced by his collaboration and friendship with other prominent archeologists and geo-

scientists, such as Dr. Vance Holliday and Dr. Steve Shackley, whose productive interactions with Dr. Huckell continued for over 40 years.

Dr. Huckell was also deeply committed to teaching and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, as exemplified, for example, by his development of the first geoarcheology class at UNM, offered through the Departments of Anthropology and Earth & Planetary Sciences.

Along with Dr. Shackley and two of his graduate students, Drs. Chris Merriman and Joe Birkmann will present highlights of Dr. Huckell's and their doctoral research. As Dr. Merriman has eloquently stated, "As an archaeologist, scientist, and researcher, there is no one more thorough, deliberate, and conscientious".

This presentation honors the life and career of our good friend who we and so many others so deeply liked and admired.