

CALL FOR PAPERS
Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting



New Haven, Connecticut
October 17-20, 2024
Contested Landscapes

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The Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology 2024 annual meeting will be hosted by the Connecticut Chapter on October 17-20, at the Omni hotel in New Haven, Connecticut. This year's theme "Contested Landscapes" reflects the historical processes that have shaped the modern city of New Haven.

Ancestral homelands of the Quinnipiac, New Haven was settled as a Puritan colony in the 17th-century and became one of the first planned cities in America. As a colonial settlement, New Haven developed into a vital New England port city and center of education, invention, and industry, but remained a contested landscape. The city was occupied by British troops during the Revolutionary War, enmeshed in the anti-slavery movement with the 1839 Amistad trial, and was home to 19th- and 20th -century immigration and labor struggles. In more recent times, New Haven has been a battleground for new and competing visions of urban space and identity, as the city's different communities grapple with New Haven's history to create and shape new places.

In this spirit, The CNEHA 2024 Conference invites sessions, papers, and posters that explore notions of landscape across the Northeast, and which address the myriad perspectives and innovative methods that archaeologists employ to understand the complexities of landscapes as active physical and cultural spaces. Topics could include:

- The ways people shape landscapes and are shaped by them.
- The intersection of landscape and memory, or landscape and identity.
- The ways contemporary landscapes embody or obscure histories.
- Environmental agency – ecological responses to cultural change and vice versa.
- Innovative use of archaeological methods to study landscapes – remote sensing (GPR, magnetometry, LiDAR, etc.); environmental archaeology – faunal, botanical, pollen, phytoliths, DNA, isotopes, etc.

- Landscapes of inequality (i.e., highways, redlining, reservations, company towns, plantations, colonial settlements, etc.).

Organized paper sessions, panel discussions, individual papers, and posters on these themes and subjects, as well as all other aspects of historical archaeology in the Northeast, are welcome. Organized session or panel discussion proposals of no more than 250 words should describe the theme of the session and the anticipated number of paper/panelists. Paper abstracts should be no more than 150 words and clearly describe the purpose of the research, the significance of the work, and a summary of the results. Papers are limited to 20 minutes and will be followed by a short Q&A period at the conclusion of each session. All organized session/panel discussion must be submitted by July 19, 2024 and all paper/poster abstracts must be submitted by August 9, 2024.

All lead authors(s) must be current members of CNEHA and must register for the conference (conference registration will open in May of 2024). Session/panel abstracts and paper/poster abstracts can be emailed to Sarah Sportman at sarah.sportman@uconn.edu. Additional conference information regarding registration, venue, banquet, tours, book room, etc. will be available on the CNEHA website (cneha.org).