

Curriculum Vitae
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Education

2018 - In Progress PhD. Michigan State University- East Lansing, MI, Anthropology
2016 MA University of Virginia- Charlottesville, Anthropology
 Historical Archaeology of Free Black Communities in North America
2012 BA University of Massachusetts- Boston, Anthropology Capstone: **The Space of
Pirate Social Organization: The Alternative Social Order and Tolerance Aboard
the Golden Age Pirate Ship**

Employment

2025 – pres. Commonwealth Cultural & Archaeological Assessors – Sr. Archaeologist (pt. time)
2026 – pres. Quinsigamond Community College - Adjunct Faculty, Anthropology
2022 – 2024 Martha's Vineyard African American Heritage Trail – Director of Research
2020 – 2022 Michigan State University Campus Archaeologist
2019 – 2022 Michigan Department of Transportation – Student Archaeologist
2017 – 2024 Commonwealth Heritage Group (MA, VA, NC), Field Technician & Crew Chief (MA)
2014 – 2015 The Public Archaeological Laboratory, Archaeologist

Peer-reviewed Articles

Burnett, J.J. (2021)
Seeking Radical Solidarity in Heritage Studies: Exploring the Intersection of Black Feminist Archaeologies
and Geographies in Oak Bluffs, MA. *International Journal of Historical Archaeology*.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10761-021-00601-y>

Book chapters

Burnett, J.J, Camp, S. L., Painter A. M. (2025)
The Archaeology of Children on Michigan State University's Campus in *Post-Contact Archaeology of
Michigan and the Great Lakes Region.*, pp. 254-269. Eds. Sarah Surface-Evans and Misty Jackson.,
Bergham Books, NY. <https://doi.org/10.3167/9781836952510>.

Burnett, J.J (submitted)
A Spatial Study of Historic Property Records and Oral Histories: Community Formation, Racialized
Segregation, and Memory in the Vineyard Highlands in *Exposing Erasure: Archaeologies of
Marginalization and Resilience in the Northeast*. Eds. Chris Matthews, Meghan Hicks, and William
Williams, University of Alabama Press.

Editor

Martha's Vineyard Museum Quarterly Vol. 64, no. 2 (Summer 2025) – peer-reviewed journal,
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1reKAyF62ndVlpzBVZ6iJUGAIs9KqbR90/view>
Martha's Vineyard Museum Quarterly Vol. 64, no. 3 (Winter 2025) – peer-reviewed journal

Non-peer Reviewed Publications

Burnett, Jeffrey (2025)

Digging Into the History of The Baptist Temple, Oak Bluffs' Other Tabernacle. *Martha's Vineyard Museum Quarterly*, Vol. 64, no. 3 (Winter 2025) https://jeffreymburnett.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Digging-Into-the-History-of-The-Baptist-Temple_Burnett_2025.pdf

Jack A. Biggs, Jeffrey J. Burnett, Rhian R. Dunn, Emily B. P. Milton, and Amber M. Plemons (2022) Campus archaeology program at Michigan State University: Reevaluating our Program During a Pandemic. *The Society for American Archaeology Archaeological Record* (tSAR), March 2022.

<https://onlinedigeditions.com/article/The+Campus+Archaeology+Program+at+Michigan+State+University%3A+Reevaluating+Our+Program+during+a+Pandemic+/4233232/740794/article.html>

Jeff Burnett, Dan Lauterbur, James Robertson, and Christine Stephenson (2021)

Exploring Class, Gender, and Consumption in Southwest Michigan, 1852–1870. *Society of Historical Archaeology Spring 2021 Volume 54 Number 1*

<https://mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?m=35671&i=702359&p=80>

Jeff Burnett, Dr. Stacey L. Camp, and Autumn Painter (2020)

Continuing Campus Archaeology on a (Mostly) Closed Campus, Michigan State University *Society for Historical Archaeology Newsletter: Fall 2020 Volume 53 Number 4*

<https://mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?m=35671&i=688200&p=24>

Jeffrey Burnett (2021)

“Being And Belonging at State: Investigating Our History of Diversity and Inclusion.” Blog. MSU Campus Archaeology Program, October 15, 2020. <http://campusarch.msu.edu/?p=8419>

Non-Academic Newsletters

Jeffrey Burnett (2021)

Introducing An Historical Archaeology Project in Oak Bluffs. *NAACP Martha's Vineyard Branch Newsletter*.

Other Teaching Experience

Spring 2020	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Archaeology, Michigan State University
Summer 2019	Teaching Assistant, Campus Archaeology field school, Michigan State University
Spring 2016	Teaching Assistant, Routes, Writing, Reggae, University of Virginia
Fall 2015	Teaching Assistant, Language & Cult in Middle East, University of Virginia

Academic Laboratory and Field Experience

2022 - pres.	Lead Archaeologist and co-PI, Oak Bluffs Historic Highlands Archaeology Project
2020 – 2022	Field Director and Co-PI, MSU Campus Archaeology Program
2018 – 2020	Archaeologist, MSU Campus Archaeology Program
2018 – 2019	Research Assistant, Kooskia Internment Camp Project, Michigan State

Research Experience

2022 – 2024	Martha's Vineyard African American Heritage Trail – Director of Research
2020 – 2022	MSU Campus Archaeologist

2019 – pres. Dissertation Research for Oak Bluffs Highlands Area History Project
 2018 – 2020 MSU Campus Archaeology Fellow
 2018 - 2019 Research Assistant for Kooskia Internment Camp Archaeology Project (KICAP)

Awards and Fellowships

2023 Wenner-Gren Foundation, Engaged Research Grant
 2021 Travel and Equipment Grant, MSU Department of History
 2021 Lynne Goldstein Fellowship, MSU Department of Anthropology
 2021 Alumni and Friends Expendable Fund for Archaeology Award – MSU Department of Anthropology
 2019 The Kenneth E. and Marie J. Corey Research Enrichment Fund, Research Scholars Award - College of Social Science, Michigan State University
 2018–25 Travel and Research Funds, MSU Department of ANP
 2018–20 Campus Archaeology Program Fellowship, Michigan State University

Paper Presentations

2024 “Known as a Welcoming Place: The Construction of Community and Memory in a Black Summer Community in Oak Bluffs, MA, 1870 – 1950,” paper presented at the 2024 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference, January 2024

2024 “Mapping Community Construction and Memory in the Vineyard Highlands,” paper presented at the Council for NE Historical Archaeology Conference, October 2024

2024 “Mapping Out Pathways to Address Gaps in Documentation of Historic Resources,” Workshop, Co-organized for the National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, October 2024.

2021 “Exploring Baptist Temple Park in the Highlands: The Beginning of An Historical Archaeology Project in Oak Bluffs,” paper presented at the East Chop Association End of Year Board Meeting, July 2021

2021 “Exploring How Black Feminist Geographies Can Support Community-based participatory Spatial Studies of the Past”, paper presented at the Theoretical Archaeology Group Conference 2021.

2021 “The Archaeology of Children on Michigan State University’s Campus” with Autumn Painter and Dr. Stacey L. Camp, paper presented at the 2021 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference.
<http://campusarch.msu.edu/?p=8577>

2020 “Starting Slow: Community informed background research on Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts”, paper presented at the 2020 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference

2020 “Telling Stories of Resistance: Exploring How Black Feminist Geographies Can Influence Spatial Studies of the Past”, paper presentation at Wayne State Anthropology Transformations Conference

2019 “Community Archaeology in Oak Bluffs, MA”, paper presented at 2019 Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology conference

2019 “Non-Native archaeology on Colonized Native Lands”, paper presented at MSU American Indian & Indigenous Studies conference

Poster Presentations

2024 “Mapping the Historic Baptist Tabernacle,” poster of the Society for American Archaeology Conference 2024

2021 “Translating Archaeology into Narratives: Using fiction to share findings from the Shoudy Site (20BE634) in Berrien County, Michigan,” poster for Midwest Archaeological Conference and Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference (MAC/MHAC), October 2021

Press

Richard Taylor (2021)

Oak Bluffs Town Column: August 27 *Vineyard Gazette* Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts Wednesday, August 25 <https://vineyardgazette.com/news/2021/08/25/oak-bluffs-town-column-august-27>

References

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