



“New Evidence - *Humans in North America >15,000 years ago*”

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Sacramento Archeological Society, Inc. is pleased to present an American origins symposium on **Saturday, March 24, 2018** from **1:00 to 5:00** by three renowned archaeologists. They will share latest discoveries which push back the probable dates for the peopling of America to at least 15,800 years ago and discuss various migration scenarios, including a Pacific Coast route, the Kelp Highway Hypothesis.

- **1:00 - Jon Erlandson, PhD**, archaeologist, professor and director of the Museum of Natural & Cultural History (MNCH), *University of Oregon* who has worked on California’s Channel Islands for 40 years will discuss human evolution, the role of fishing and seafaring in human prehistory, and the peopling of the Americas.



Photo: CA-SMI-Caliche flats crescent, Erlandson 2018

- **2:15 - Pat O’Grady, PhD**, archaeologist at University of Oregon led a tour for SAS members at the Rimrock Draw Rockshelter site in Oregon where evidence of human presence **possibly** older than 15,000 years has been found. At this symposium he will discuss the results of the 2016 and 2017 excavation seasons.



Photo: Agate stone flake tool found beneath Mount St Helens tephra at the Rimrock Draw Rockshelter, Riley, Oregon. Image credit: Patrick 2017

- **3:30 - Mike Collins, PhD**, archaeologist, *Texas State University* and director of Gault School of Archeological Research (GSAR) will discuss the very earliest evidence for people in the Western Hemisphere--who they may have been, when they arrived, whence they came, what their cultural materials were like, how they might have gotten here, and what we know about their dispersions across the Americas

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