

BALLOT 2016

New York Archaeological Council

Instructions. Vote for **one** candidate for each of the following positions (see attached statements from candidates). Write-ins are accepted. Only full and graduate student members in good standing may vote:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Vote</u>
President	April 2016 – April 2019	<u>Derrick (Dirk) Marcucci</u>	_____
		<u>Doug Perrelli</u>	_____
		Write in:	_____
Secretary	April 2016 – April 2019	<u>Daria Merwin</u>	_____
		Write in:	_____

Instructions. Vote for **one** Board member from the following list of candidates.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Board Members	April 2016 – April 2019	Mike Cinquino	_____
		Ted Roberts	_____
		Beth Selig	_____
		Write in:	_____

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Such attachment should remain in word format or be scanned as a PDF. **Please make sure your name is included on the envelope or in the e-mail to make insure that members in good standing vote.** However, all attachments will be saved without sender info on arrival and be opened all at once during ballot counting (ensuring anonymous voting).

DEADLINE: April 1, 2015

Candidate Statements

President

Derrick (Dirk) J. Marcucci

As NYAC President, I will focus on our important role in promoting the preservation of archaeological sites, research, education, excellence in compliance work, and public outreach. I have served on the NYAC board since 2002 and have been NYAC's Vice President since 2010. During my term, I have organized meeting programs and served on committees that I believe are important for the present and future direction of New York archaeology. Some of these topics/issues include: utilization of professional grade GPS and GIS software in archaeological investigations; using a landscape model approach for archaeological investigations; commenting on proposed DEC fracking regulation in relation to cultural resources; the impact of mega storms to archaeological sites and mitigation of these impacts; and promoting professionalism in cultural resource management.

I co-own Landmark Archaeology, Inc. with Susan Gade and for the past 15 years, have conducted hundreds of CRM archaeology projects in New York. I've been involved in archaeology since the 1960s, actively doing CRM archaeology since the mid-1970s. My work life in archaeology has been varied--working for the Iowa and South Dakota SHPO offices, several universities (Iowa, School of Mines in South Dakota, and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville), several small and medium sized CRM outfits located in the Midwest and Plains, and for ten years a large engineering firm. In college and grad school, I was presented opportunities to work on a wide variety of archaeology sites in different regions of the US, Central America and Europe.

My research interests include lithic technology, rock shelter archaeology, earthworks, landscape archaeology, geoarchaeology, mortuary behavior and the development of small scale prehistoric political economic systems. I enjoy conducting fieldwork as well as introducing students to archaeology and the business side of CRM.

Doug Perrelli

My interest in becoming the New York Archaeological Council (NYAC) President stems from a lifelong interest in the archaeological heritage of New York State, including pre-contact and historic era cultural resources, and the belief that such resources should be studied, better understood and preserved for future generations by a dedicated group of professionals. The preservation and educational outreach potential of cultural resources in New York can best be accomplished by a diverse, well organized group of individuals from around the state, who share personal and professional interests in these resources. NYAC should be an inclusive, vibrant organization with growing membership, a long list of accomplishments relating to the development of standards and policy regarding cultural resources in the state, and should work to improve public awareness of archaeological resources, site protection, and research and fieldwork standards. As President, I would direct the group towards increasing levels of

inclusion and membership in addition to strengthening our responsibility for professionalism in our industry and stewardship of sites and the information they contain. Most importantly, the general public should have access to materials and information generated by archaeology in New York so they can see benefits that should overshadow the costs of these endeavors. I fully subscribe to the NYAC code of ethics and practice, and have upheld this code as a board member since 1998. I have been interested and active in New York State archaeology since 1986 when I began studying archaeology as an undergraduate student at SUNY Geneseo. Since that time I received a master's (1994) and doctoral degree (2001) from the University at Buffalo (UB), having actively participated in exploring and preserving western New York's archaeological heritage, and conducted dissertation research using Iroquoian sites from western New York. I have been a member of the Society for American Archaeology since 1993 and of the Register for Professional Archaeologists since 2001. I currently serve as the Director of the Archaeological Survey, and as Clinical Assistant Professor in the Anthropology Department at UB. As a current and former NYAC Board member and Vice President, I bring considerable experience and knowledge about New York state archaeology the workings of NYAC to the table.

Secretary

Daria Merwin

I received a M.A. degree from the Nautical Archaeology Program at Texas A&M University, and the Ph.D. in Anthropology/Archaeology from Stony Brook University. My dissertation research focused on the potential for submerged prehistoric sites in the greater New York region, with new underwater field work at two sites with Early, Middle, and Late Archaic deposits. I also serve as the project archaeologist for a long-term academic study of shipwrecks in the Hudson River. I have been involved with cultural resource management for more than 20 years, most with the former Institute for Long Island Archaeology based at Stony Brook University, where I also taught several classes. Currently, I am part of the Survey Unit of the Community Preservation Services Bureau at the NYS Historic Preservation Office, and I am interested in exploring how we can better integrate archaeology (consulting, academic, and public) into the broader realm of historic preservation.

Board Member

Michael A. Cinquino, Ph.D. RPA

I am currently a Senior Archaeologist and Senior Vice President with Panamerican Consultants, Inc. and manage the Buffalo Branch Office. I received my Ph.D. and M.A. degrees from SUNY at Stony Brook, and my BA from St. John Fisher College in Rochester. I have over 35 years experience conducting archaeological investigations and in cultural resource management. I have been employed as an archaeologist with large environmental firms and small cultural resource companies, as well as, an agency reviewer for New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. I was also the State Archaeologist and archaeological compliance reviewer for the Puerto Rico State Historic Preservation Office. My diversified background gives me a unique perspective and overview of the cultural resource process. My board experience and professional philosophy helps me bring a balanced and reasonable approach to cultural resources issues facing NYAC and the archaeological

community in New York State. The cultural resource process is continually growing and changing. NYAC must continue to stay in the forefront of this process and represent the views of its members. This will include adapting to the continuing economic crisis by balancing cost effective approaches with sound technical strategies and common sense best practices to identify, document, and protect cultural resources in a timely manner. I wish to continue as a board member striving to represent the best interests of NYAC. I also wish to continue to bring a common sense and scientific approach that will strengthen community interest in archaeology, cultural resource management, the protection and documentation historic and archaeological resources, and encourage continued professional development.

Ted Roberts

I have 16 years' experience performing numerous archaeological investigations and cultural resource management roles while employed in the private sector, the government, and academic institutions. I serve as the Principal in PaleoWest's New York Office. A Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA), I earned an M.A. in Anthropology from Northern Arizona University and a B.A. in Anthropology from Wayne State University (Detroit, MI) after spending a number of years gaining archaeological experience in the Southeastern United States. I have managed and performed archaeological survey, eligibility testing, and data recovery projects on Archaic, Formative, Protohistoric, and Historic period sites across the American West, including Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Wyoming, and Utah. Mr. I have also worked extensively in Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Vermont on Archaic, Woodland, and Historic period sites of the Eastern Woodlands.

I am relatively new to New York having moved to NYC in November, 2013. As such, I would like to do everything I can to assist the New York archaeological community and NYAC specifically in the role of at-large Board Member. By leveraging my past experience as President of the Arizona Archaeological Council (AAC), member of the Selection Committee for the Annual AZ Governor's Award in Historic Preservation, SAA Media Relations Committee Member, and current newsletter editor for the Professional Archaeologists of New York City (PANYC), I can help archaeologists, stakeholders, and interested public in the ethical dissemination, interpretation, and collection of archaeological data across the state. Further, I will do all I can to assist in public outreach efforts, tribal and public consultation, and stewardship of New York's important prehistoric, contact period, and historic cultural resources.

Beth Selig

I am a Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA) and have worked in the field of Cultural Resource Management for almost 20 years, completing all phases of archaeological investigations including site and building assessments, as well as data recovery and site mitigations. Currently I am the President for Hudson Valley Cultural Resource Consultants as well as an adjunct instructor at Dutchess Community College. I received a Master's in Liberal Studies from Empire State University, an interdisciplinary degree that focused on 19th century cultural contexts. I received my undergraduate degree in Anthropology from the University at Albany.

I am interested in the 19th century cultural history of the Hudson Valley region, historic architecture and prehistoric landscapes.