

May 13, 2022

Annual Report for the Society for Archaeological Sciences

Tatsuya Murakami (tmurakam@tulane.edu), VP for Membership Development

SAS Student Ambassador Program

The program, launched in 2019, is part of our new professional development and outreach programs. We currently have four ambassadors: Jayde Hirniak (Arizona State University), Rachel Johnson (Tulane University), Tekla Cunningham (University of Winnipeg), and AJ White (UC Berkeley) (Li-Ying Wang [University of Washington] has graduated with a Ph.D., but she is still helping the program). During the 2021-2022 academic year they initiated a new program of interviews with archaeological scientists and completed two as of now. The interviews were filmed and were published via Youtube.

R.E. Taylor Student Poster Award Competition at the SAA 2022 and ISA 2020/2022

After two years of suspension, we held R.E. Taylor Poster Award at the 87th Annual Meeting of the SAA in Chicago, March 30-April 3, 2022. The winner is Eunice Villasenor Iribe of Arizona State University, and her poster is entitled "A Statistical Comparison of the Physical Characteristics of Terracing in the Basin of Mexico."

We have received 15 applications for R.E. Taylor Poster Award at ISA and the winner will be announced by the end of the symposium.

Membership Enhancement

In order to advertise our activities more proactively, I compiled a list of universities with archaeology programs in the USA and sent out flyers on our activities, award programs, and ambassador program. I plan to expand the list to include universities in other countries.