

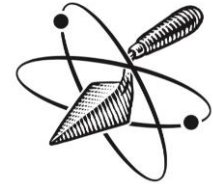
## **The Society for Archaeological Sciences (SAS)**

### **President-Elect Report**

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SAS Annual General Meeting

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#### Reporting period: May 2023 – May 2024

- In May 2023, Zipkin officially left the role of Vice President for Intersociety Relations but continued to informally serve in this capacity until the appointment of Dr. Rachel Kulick in December 2023 as the Intersociety Relations VP.
- Partner programming that did not occur during the reporting period but which is scheduled for later in 2024, and which is still being managed by Zipkin at the time of this report includes: the 6<sup>th</sup> International Archaeometallurgy in Europe conference in Falun, Sweden in June, CLASMAC 2024 (Congreso Latinoamericano de Arqueometría y del Simposio Latinoamericano sobre Métodos Físicos y Químicos en Arqueología, Arte y Conservación del Patrimonio Cultural) in Mexico City in September, and The Great Scientific Exchange (SciX) 2024 in Raleigh, North Carolina in October.
- In his capacity as President-Elect of the SAS, Zipkin is investigating options for celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the society in 2027 including soliciting donations from members and external sponsors to fund celebratory functions at the Society for American Archaeology annual meeting and/or the International Symposium on Archaeometry. Suggestions from the membership are welcome at any time and a more formal consultation with the membership, to be initiated by the Executive Board, will begin in 2025.

#### Conferences sponsored between May and December 2023

- 14<sup>th</sup> International Council for Archaeozoology Conference (Cairns, Australia): one student poster prize with a value of \$200 USD and a complimentary SAS membership
- Inaugural Australasian Archaeological Science Student Symposium (ARCAS student-led hybrid conference): two prizes - best presentation by a postgraduate student and best presentation by an undergraduate or honors student, each with a value of \$100 USD and a complimentary SAS membership
- International Obsidian Conference 2023 (Hokkaido, Japan): one student (undergraduate or graduate) poster prize with a value of \$150 USD and complimentary SAS membership
- SciX 2023 (Sparks, Nevada): SAS sponsored the registration fees of three invited student speakers for the Art & Archaeology Section, as has been the case for the past few years and which is considered an ongoing program at this time. SAS is the chief sponsor of the annual invited speaker symposium “Student Research in Archaeological Chemistry” which serves to expose students to a physical science audience and facilitate networking outside of archaeology and anthropology.