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Company Overview

Interpret Site L.L.C. was established in 2023 by Founder C.E.O. Todd Christopher McMahon after thirty years of dedicated public service as a professional archaeologist working for the State of Colorado.

Interpret Site L.L.C. provides two key services, one related to archaeological collections care and management, from governing documents to re-housing care, exhibition and other forms of public engagement. The other service involves interpretive planning for historic or archaeological sites, museums, visitor centers, wayside signage etc. Interpret Site L.L.C. also provides educational training/speaking engagements with audience participation or for a public fair or school booth table station.

We pride ourselves on the following:

- Following industry best standards in collections care and practices for archaeology and historic collections.
- Incorporating international standard Interpretive Planning techniques.
- Incorporating and involving descendant communities in interpretation.
- Providing and creating effective thematic messaging with interpretation.
- Using technology effectively to engage the public about our history.

We are a small firm with big capabilities that works to address the needs of our clients.

We understand what you want to accomplish, and we want to be the trusted team partner to help you achieve your management goals.

Gratefully,

Todd Christopher McMahon

Founder/C.E.O.

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Our aim is to achieve maximum public benefit to provide information, knowledge, and insight into the human past while honoring and consulting with descendant communities.

Company Resume/Project Experience

Douglas County Colorado

Douglas County Community Department of Community Development

100 Third St

Castle Rock, CO 80104

Brittany Cassell – Curator

720-733-6905

bcassell@douglas.co.us

July – November 2023

Created an interpretive plan for the Douglas County Virtual Museum and delivered a fully revised public portal using the Lucidea Argus museum software program. Created content for seven on-line showcase exhibits, seven highlighted collection segments, interactive quizzes, links to County programs and an educational lesson plan:

<https://5147.sydneyplus.com/argus/final/Portal/virtualmuseum.aspx>

City of Aurora Colorado, Aurora History Museum

15051 E Alameda Pkwy,

Aurora, CO 80012

T. Scott Williams

Museum Director – Aurora History Museum & Historic Sites

303-739-6667

twilliam@auroragov.org

Sept 2023 –

Developing an integrated interpretive plan for the Senac pre-contact local historic landmark archaeology site. The plan involves staff team planning, tie-in with management goals and objectives.

Todd Christopher McMahon

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Résumé - Condensed CV:

Current Employment:

January 2023 – present

Founder/C.E.O.
Interpret Site L.L.C.
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November 2016 – December 2022

State Curation Coordinator/Staff Archaeologist
(Program Asst. II)
State of Colorado
History Colorado
Office of the State Archaeologist
1200 Broadway
Denver CO 80203
Supervisor: Holly Norton Ph. D.

January 1996-November 2016

GIS Survey Archaeologist
State of Colorado
History Colorado
Office of the State Archaeologist
Supervisors: Richard Wilshusen Ph.D. and Susan
Collins Ph. D.,

July 1992-January 1996

Archaeological Information Specialist
State of Colorado
Colorado Historical Society
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
Supervisor: Mary Sullivan

May 1992-July 1992

Physical Science Technician
United States Geological Services
National Water Quality Laboratory

5293 Ward Road
Arvada, CO 80002
Supervisor: Doug Manigold

January 1992-July 1992

Laboratory Assistant and Illustrator
Paleoresearch Laboratories an Archaeological
Laboratory
15485 W. 44th Ave., Suite A
Golden, CO 80403
Supervisor Linda Scott Cummings Ph. D.

August 1991-February 1992

Property Manager
Supreme Offices II
12395 W. 53rd Ave.
Arvada, CO 80002-1932

August 1990-July 1991

Archaeological Field Assistant and Monitor of
Impacted Archaeological Sites
Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum
Applied Research Group
1525 Bernice St.
P.O. Box 1900-A
Honolulu, HI 96817-0916

January 1989-December 1989

Fossil Research Assistant
University of Colorado at Denver
Geology Department
Supervisor: Martin Lockley, Ph. D.

May 1989-June 1989

Archaeology Crew Member
California Institute for Peruvian Studies
9017 Feather River Way
Sacramento, CA
Archaeological Expedition to the Acari Valley of
Peru Volunteer

September 1988-May 1989

Archaeology Crew Member
University of Colorado, Denver
Field School
Senac Dam Site (Aurora Reservoir)

Todd C. McMahon
Résumé

Aurora, CO
Supervisor: James Grady, Ph. D.

September 1987-December 1987

Archaeological Laboratory Assistant
Metropolitan State College
Practical Archaeology Course

September 1985-May 1986

Microbiology Lab Assistant
Arizona State University
Supervisor: David Capco, Ph. D.

Workshops and Other Training
(available upon request)

Memberships - Elected Offices

Chair of the Aurora Historic Preservation
Commission Local Landmark
subcommittee
President of Mission Viejo Homeowners'
Association, Inc. 2006-2013
Board Member - Lotus School for
Excellence Charter School, Aurora
Colorado 2004-2006.
Treasurer for the Colorado Council of
Professional Archaeologists 2002-2004.
Executive Board of the Colorado Council
of Professional Archaeologists 1999-2001.

Committees and Community Activities

Current:

Appointed Member of the Aurora Historic
Preservation Commission (2021 – present)
Appointed Member of the Society for
American Archaeology's Committee on
Museums, Collections and Curation (2021 –
present)
Member of the Society for American
Archaeology's Curation Interest Group
(2019 – present)

Past:

Mission Viejo Community – Cultural
Heritage Site Designation Liaison
Lead Organizer for Aurora's Mission Viejo
exhibit at the Aurora History Museum 2007

Organizer for the Mission Viejo
Community's 35th anniversary celebration
September 2007
Webmaster and author of the Mission Viejo
HOA web site and its Neighborhood History
Section
Project Archaeology liaison for the
Colorado Council of Professional
Archaeologists.
Member - Historic Resource Committee for
Four-Mile House and Historic Park.

**Current Research, Symposium and
Published Works** (available upon request)

Educational Background

Bachelor of Arts Degree with Distinction in
Anthropology from the University of
Colorado Fall 1989.

Graduate School Coursework as an
Anthropology Major University of Colorado
at Denver 1991.

Attended Anthropology Courses from:
Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

Metropolitan State College, Denver,
Colorado

University of Colorado, Denver, Colorado

Lund University, LUMA-GIS (Geographical
Information Systems), Distance Learning
Program Lund University, Lund, Sweden

Abraham Lincoln High School Denver,
Colorado – Graduated in the top 10% with
honors

Personal: Married, three children.

References:

Available upon request

Professional Qualifications Statement

Todd Christopher McMahon, Founder and CEO of Interpret Site L.L.C. was a Staff Archaeologist and the Colorado State Curation Coordinator at History Colorado (Office of the State Archaeologist, State Historic Preservation Office). Todd McMahon retired from History Colorado in December 2022 after 30 years of public service at this institution. Todd formally managed and established the State-



Approved Museums and Curatorial Repositories Program, a statewide network of local museums and institutions that hold artifacts and fossil collections in-trust for the State of Colorado. In that role, he was also a member of the Cultural Historical Resource Task Force (CHR) and supported these institutions when dealing with disaster threats to their collections. Prior to that, in addition to other duties, he managed and coordinated the State-wide Archaeology and Historic Preservation Week events and mini-event grant program after receiving a multi-year State Historical Fund grant. Todd also has extensive experience using geographical information systems, site archaeological data, and as a Section 106/Section 110 National Historic Preservation Act and State Register of Historic Places compliance reviewer. He also holds research interests in the Formative Period in west-central Colorado, Peruvian archaeology, Front-range archaeology, Hawai'ian archaeology and the prehistoric North American four-corner's area.

Todd McMahon has over 30 years of employment as a professional archaeologist that includes over 10 years of work authoring the legal State standards, rules and guidelines as well as successful completion of inter-agency co-operative agreements for collections care and curation. Through authoring rules, publications, training presentations and direct collections care work, professional service, field and laboratory work Todd meets the Secretary of the Interior (SOI) standards for Curation (Curator). Todd McMahon is a current member of the National Association for Interpretation and is in the process of becoming a Certified Interpretive Planner. As a Staff member of History Colorado, Todd also led the development of three past archaeology exhibits (See Todd's Portfolio on the Interpret Site website).

Todd is a 4th generation Colorado native, married with three children and has actively served on many educational, neighborhood, archaeology and historic preservation committees and boards. Todd also currently serves on the Aurora Historic Preservation Commission and the Society for American Archaeology's Committee on Museums, Collections and Curation. CV and references available upon request.