

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC)
Natural and Historical Resources Division (NHRD)
Archaeology Program

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Mission:

The mission of the Natural and Historical Resources Division (NHRD) archaeology program is to study, interpret, and preserve archaeological resources via excavations, exhibits, and public programs for the benefit of the citizens of Prince George's County and Maryland.

NHRD Archaeology Program:

Since 1988, the archaeology program of the NHRD has been exploring the diversity of Prince George's County's archaeological resources. Through excavations, exhibits, and public outreach, the archaeology program supports the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's numerous museums and historic sites. Hands-on volunteer programs and student internships provide opportunities for citizens and students to become involved in the process of discovering the past by participating in archaeological excavations and artifact processing and analysis.

Public Archaeology programs are offered at the *Mount Calvert Historical and Archeological Park*, a 90-acre park located on the Patuxent River east of Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Ten interpretive wayside signs and an exhibit, *A Confluence of Three Cultures*, describe the archaeology of American Indians, the colonial settlement of Charles Town, and a nineteenth century tobacco plantation. Volunteers can participate in excavations and lab work from April through October. Office hours are 8:30am to 5:00pm Tuesday though Saturday. For more information call the archaeology program office at 301-627-1286 or email Don Creveling at Donald.Creveling@pgparks.com, or Mike Lucas at Michael.Lucas@pgparks.com .