

Time Sifters Presents

Cornelia Futor Memorial Student Research Grant



The *Cornelia Futor Memorial Student Grant* is made possible thanks to the support of CRM industry leaders *ACI*, *Janus Research*, *SEARCH*, and *STANTEC* as well as many individual donors. The grant of up to \$2000 is for eligible students to attend field school. This grant is open to students currently enrolled at a Florida university or college who have begun their junior year of undergraduate studies at the time of application, MA students, and Ph.D. students who are pursuing a major in anthropology with a focus on archaeology.

Announcing the winners of the *2024 Cornelia Futor Memorial Student Research Grant*. The students will be attending field schools this summer. We look forward to seeing pictures from the field and hearing about their experiences and what they have learned. This award helps the next generation of archaeologists get the training they need for future success.

The 2024 Winners



Sofia Arias
BA Student
USF

Sofia Arias is a senior at USF studying anthropology with a focus on archaeology. She has previously volunteered with Dr. Nancy White to perform surface-collecting and shovel-testing at the USF campus in the path of a proposed new football stadium and plans to volunteer with Dr. White again this summer helping to test at the Pierce Mounds complex in Florida. Sofia states her goal is to become a professional archaeologist in either the CRM industry or a museum context.

Time Sifters' grant will assist Sofia to attend the University of Wyoming's field school titled "*Clovis to Cowpokes*," which includes surveying and testing at Willow Springs, a High Plains trading site, fieldwork at La Prele Mammoth site and the mapping and excavation of Wyoming's first coal mining town. At the Le Prele Mammoth site she is looking forward to seeing evidence of early human activity, learning how to identify artifacts, and gaining greater insight into the lives of early Native Americans.



Alyssa Marie Duarte
BA Student
FSU

Alyssa Duarte is currently studying anthropology with a focus on archaeology at FSU and has already gained experience in archaeological research within a lab setting. To date, she has concentrated on historic archaeology and the African diaspora, working on the Evergreen Plantation Archaeological Survey under Dr. Jayur Mehta, a project focused on the cabins of the formally enslaved of a southern sugar plantation. Alyssa has also assisted on Haciendas of Nasca Project, masking images of artifacts to create public 3D models, which concentrates on the lives of formerly enslaved Africans in Peru.

Time Sifters' grant will assist Alyssa to attend the El Campanario Project, offered by the University of Arizona. The project aims to understand the socio-political organization of El Campanario site in Peru during the 1000-1400 CE Period. The field school offers training in both archaeology and ceramic, textile, and lithic analysis, and also in bioarchaeology and osteology.



Sarah Hassam
MA Student
USF

Sarah Hassam is a first-year Master's student at USF.

Her primary research interest is Late Roman Sicily and Malta with a focus on manifestations of religious syncretism in funerary contexts, which will likely be her future thesis project. Since Spring 2023, Sarah has been Lab Manager of the USF Institute for Digital Exploration and has already gained expertise in osteo-archaeology and 3D digitization. Working under Dr. David Tanasi at this summer's field school, she will be responsible for the 3D digitization of the archaeological units and of all the related findings and skeletal remains.

Time Sifters' grant will assist Sarah to attend the archaeological field school at Villa del Casale in Piazza Armerina, Sicily. This archaeological summer school is hosted by ArchLabs and Università di Bologna. A famous late antique Roman villa, Villa del Casale houses the largest mosaic collection in Southern Italy.

