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Into the Mani: The Archaeology of Diros Bay, A Neolithic Maritime Ritual Center

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7:30pm
Carlos Museum, Ackerman Hall, 3rd Floor
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Dr. Parkinson will discuss his research on The Diros Project, a multi-disciplinary investigation of the archaeology of Diros Bay in the Mani Peninsula of southern Greece. The study area centers around the site of Alepotrypa Cave, an important Neolithic ritual center that exhibits a remarkable sequence of human occupation spanning millennia. Dr. Parkinson and his collaborators have been working to place Alepotrypa Cave into a broader maritime context by conducting surveys in Diros Bay and excavating an open-air site associated with the cave. Dr. Parkinson will discuss the project’s findings and their importance for long-term processes of cultural change associated with the European and Mediterranean Neolithic.