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# **EDUCATION**

2013	Ph.D., Boston University, Department of Archaeology
	Dissertation: "With the quiet sturdy strength of the folk of an older time": An
	Archaeological Approach to Time, Place-making, and Heritage
	Construction at the Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts
	Committee Chair: Mary C. Beaudry
2008	M.A., Historical Archaeology of the Modern World, Bristol University
2006	B.A., Anthropology, College of William & Mary

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Interpretive historical archaeology of North American, Caribbean, and Atlantic islands; Native-colonial relations in early Maryland; legal and social origins of slavery in Maryland; cultural heritage and museum studies; household archaeology; landscape studies; material culture studies; memory and identity; colonial ordinaries and taverns; farmstead archaeology; method and theory in archaeology; contemporary archaeology

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023-present	Acting Executive Director, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland
2018-present	Director of Research and Collections, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland
2016-present	Adjunct Professor, Department of Anthropology, St. Mary's College of Maryland
2016–2018	Chief Archaeologist, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland
2013–2016	Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, Brandeis University
2013–2016	Lecturer, College of Arts & Sciences Writing Program, Boston University
2015–2016	Consulting Researcher, Hartgen Archeological Associates, Rensselaer, New York
2012–2015	Postdoctoral Associate/Project Director, Mosul University Archaeology Program (MAP), Boston University
2011–2013	Graduate Writing Fellow, College of Arts & Sciences Writing Program, Boston University
2011	Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology, College of William & Mary
2007-2011	Presidential Fellow, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, Boston University

## FIELD EXPERIENCE

2020-present	Project Director, People to People Project, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland.
2018-present	Director of Research and Collections, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland
2016–2018	Chief Archaeologist, Historic St. Mary's City, St. Mary's City, Maryland
2014–2016	Co-Director, McGrath Farm Pilot Project, Concord, Massachusetts
2009–2016	Site Director, Fairbanks House Archaeological Project, Dedham, Massachusetts
2011	Senior Teaching Assistant, Kast Ruin Archaeological Project, Southampton, Bermuda
2008	Assistant Project Director (St. Peter's Church, White Hall, Ming House), St. George's Archaeological Research Project, St. George's Bermuda

2007	Senior Staff Archaeologist,	Verdmont	Smith's Parish	Bermuda
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2007 Field Technician/Laboratory Supervisor, Wakefield Archaeological Project, Milton,

Massachusetts

2005–2006 Field Technician, Jamestown Rediscovery Project, Jamestown, Virginia

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

- Miller, Henry M. and Travis G. Parno, Eds., *Unearthing St. Mary's City: Fifty Years of Archaeology at Maryland's First Capital*. Gainesville: University Press of Florida.
- Beaudry, Mary C. and Travis G. Parno, Eds. *Archaeologies of Mobility and Movement*. New York: Springer.

# **Book Chapters**

- Parno, Travis G. "Especially in this present danger and fear": Entanglement and Anxiety at St. Mary's Fort, Maryland. Submitted for inclusion in untitled edited volume, Michael Nassaney and Sergio Ecribano-Ruiz (eds.).
- Parno, Travis G. and Timothy B. Riordan. "'the most bewitching Game': Games and Entertainment in 17<sup>th</sup>-century St. Mary's City." In *Unearthing St. Mary's City: Fifty Years of Archaeology at Maryland's First Capital*. Henry M. Miller and Travis Parno, eds. Gainesville: University Press of Florida.
- Sivilich, Michelle, Travis G. Parno, Ruth M. Mitchell, and Donald Winter. "An Archaeological View of Life at St. Mary's Female Seminary (ca. 1880–ca. 1920)." In *Unearthing St. Mary's City: Fifty Years of Archaeology at Maryland's First Capital*. Henry M. Miller and Travis Parno, eds. Gainesville: University Press of Florida.
- Parno, Travis G. and Henry M. Miller. "Building the Cultural Memory of a Place." In *Unearthing St. Mary's City: Fifty Years of Archaeology at Maryland's First Capital*. Henry M. Miller and Travis Parno, eds. Gainesville: University Press of Florida.
- Parno, Travis G. "Historical Montage: An Approach to Material Aesthetics at Historic House Sites." In *Archaeologies of Mobility and Movement*. Mary C. Beaudry and Travis G. Parno, eds. Pp. 199–216. New York: Springer.
- 2013 Beaudry, Mary C. and Travis G. Parno. "Introduction." In *Archaeologies of Mobility and Movement*. Mary C. Beaudry and Travis G. Parno, eds. Pp. 199–216. New York: Springer.
- Parno, Travis G. and Brent Fortenberry. "Catholic Artifacts in a Protestant Landscape: A Multi-Vocal Approach to the Religiosity of Jamestown's Colonists." In *Historical Archaeologies of Cognition: Explorations into Faith, Hope, and Charity.* James Symonds, Jeff Oliver, and Anna Babcock, eds. Pp. 15–27. Sheffield, UK: Equinox Publishing.
- Parno, Travis G. "What the Frak is F\*\*k?": A Thematic Reading of the Graffiti of Bristol." In *Wild Signs: Inscribing Society*. Jeff Oliver and Tim Neal, eds. Pp. 61–70. Oxford: Archaeopress.

## **Journal Articles (Refereed)**

- Faden, Regina and Travis G. Parno. "Chipping Away at the Colonialism Lens: Collaborative Research and Interpretation of Early Colonial Maryland." *The Public Historian*, 44(4): 126–146.
- Parno, Travis G. and Timothy J. Horsley. "Rediscovering St. Mary's Fort, Founding Site of the Maryland Colony." *Antiquity*, 95(384), E36. doi:10.15184/aqy.2021.119.
- Parno, Travis G. "Snapshots of History and the Nature of the Archaeological Image." *Archaeologies: Journal of the World Archaeological Congress* 6(1): 115–137.

## **Journal Articles (Non-refereed)**

- Beaudry, Mary C. and Travis G. Parno. "Arqueologías de la Movilidad: Cruzando los Límites Espaciales y Temporales [Archaeologies of Mobility: Crossing Boundaries in Space and Time]." *Vestígios* 10(2): 7–24.
- Parno, Travis G. "Modelling St. Peter's Church." *Post-Medieval Archaeology* 45(1): 218–220.

#### **Book Reviews**

Parno, Travis G. "Review: *A History of Boston in 50 Artifacts* by Joseph M. Bagley." *Historical Archaeology*, 50(4): 133–135.

#### **TECHNICAL REPORTS**

- Parno, Travis G. "Interim Report of 2019 Archaeological Excavations at the Calvert House Site (18ST1-13) and Mill Field, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
- Parno, Travis G. "Annual Report of Emergency Mitigation Efforts Conducted within the Historic St. Mary's City National Historic Landmark, St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
- Parno, Travis G. "Interim Report of 2018 Archaeological Excavations at the Calvert House Site (18ST1-13), Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
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- Parno, Travis G. "Interim Report of 2017 Archaeological Excavations at the Calvert House Site (18ST1-13), Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
- Parno, Travis G. "Annual Report of Emergency Mitigation Efforts Conducted within the Historic St. Mary's City National Historic Landmark, St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
- Parno, Travis G. "Interim Report of 2016 Archaeological Excavations at the Calvert House Site (18ST1-13), Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland." Submitted to Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD. Report on file at Historic St. Mary's City, Research & Collections Department.
- Parno, Travis G. "Report of the second season of archaeological testing at the Fairbanks House property, 511 East Street, Dedham, Massachusetts." Submitted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, 220 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125.
- Parno, Travis G. "Report of archaeological testing at the Fairbanks House property, 511 East Street, Dedham, Massachusetts." Submitted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, 220 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125.
- Fortenberry, Brent, Travis G. Parno, Richard M. Lowry, and Sara Ayers-Rigsby. "Report of the 2008 survey and excavation of St. Peter's Church and surrounding properties, St. George's, Bermuda." Submitted to the Bermuda National Trust.
- Fortenberry, Brent, Travis G. Parno, and Richard M. Lowry. "Report of the 2007 excavation at Verdmont, Smith's Parish, Bermuda." Submitted to the Bermuda National Trust.

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCE INVOLVEMENT

## **Conferences Organized**

- Conference committee co-chair, Annual meeting of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Virtual Conference.
- Conference committee, Contemporary and Historical Archaeology in Theory Conference (CHAT), Boston University.

2010 Conference committee, Department of Archaeology Ninth Biennial Graduate Student Forum, Boston University.

## **Chaired/Organized Sessions**

- From Maryland's Ancient and Chief [Seat] of Government: Papers in Honor of Henry M. Miller. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2018 ...Once the Metropolis of Maryland: Celebrating 50 Years of Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Applying Contemporary Perspectives to New England Historical Archaeology. Annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Quebec City, Quebec.
- 2012 Structures, Features, and Furnishings: Material Culture Writ Large. Annual meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Baltimore, Maryland.

# Papers Accepted/Presented

- 2023 "to defend against any such weak enemies": Possessiveness and Layered Relationships at St. Mary's Fort, Maryland. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Questioning Encounters: Re-interpreting Anglo-Indigenous Interactions in Early 17<sup>th</sup>-century St. Mary's City, Maryland. Annual Meeting of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Plymouth, MA.
- Mary Beaudry's Legacy: A View from Historic St. Mary's City. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- The Implements of Colonialism: Excavation of a Cellared Structure in St. Mary's Fort. With Jessica Edwards, Stephanie Stevens, Christopher Coogan, August Rowell, and Kyle Vanhoy. Virtual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- Keynote Address: "We have seated ourselves...within a pallizado": Unearthing St. Mary's Fort. Annual Meeting of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Virtual Conference.
- The Search for the 1634 Fort at Historic St. Mary's City: Ground-Truthing a Geophysical Prospection Survey. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Boston, Massachusetts.
- A Search for the Fort at St. Mary's City: Results of a Tripartite Geophysical Prospection Survey at Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland. With Timothy J. Horsley. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, St. Charles, Missouri.
- 'For the Entertaynmt of all persons': Ordinaries in 17<sup>th</sup>-century St. Mary's City. Annual Meeting of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- <sup>2018</sup> 'For the Entertaynmt of all persons': Ordinaries in 17<sup>th</sup>-century St. Mary's City. Annual Council for Mid-Atlantic Archaeology Conference, Virginia Beach, Virginia.
- Recent Research and Future Plans at the Leonard Calvert House Site. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2017 'Thus we poor Cocks, exert our skill & Brav'ry': Investigations of an Animal Baiting Ring at the Calvert House Site, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland. Annual Meeting of the Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.
- 2017 '...down amongst the bears and dogs...': Investigations of an Animal Baiting Pit at the Calvert House Site, Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland. With Timothy B. Riordan. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Fort Worth, Texas.
- Archaeology in a Revolutionary Town: Multi-Temporal Heritage Narratives at the McGrath Farm, Concord, Massachusetts. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Washington, D.C.
- Archaeology, Material Culture, and Ethnography at the Fairbanks House Museum, Dedham, Massachusetts. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Baltimore, Maryland.

- The Mosaic and the Interruption: An Approach to Material Aesthetics at Historic House Sites. Contemporary and Historical Archaeology in Theory Conference, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2010 'With the quiet sturdy strength of the folk of an older time': An Archaeological Approach to Place-making and Heritage at the Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts. Vernacular Architecture Forum Ambassador's Workshop, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Time, Trajectories, and Multi-Temporal Heritage at Historic House Sites. Annual Meeting of the Theoretical Archaeology Group, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.
- The (Re)Union of the Known and the Unknown: An Archaeological Approach to the Study of Graffitied Landscapes. Ninth Biennial Graduate Student Forum, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.
- The Publics of Household Archaeology: Issues Encountered During Excavations at the Fairbanks House, Dedham, MA. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Amelia Island, Florida.
- 2009 Snapshots of History and the Nature of the Archaeological Image. Annual Meeting of the Theoretical Archaeology Group, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.
- The Silent Majority: On the Character of Illegal Trade in the 17th-century West Indies. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Toronto, Ontario.
- St. Peter's Church: Memory and Worship in the Atlantic. With Brent Fortenberry. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Toronto, Ontario.
- With an Ear to the Ground and an Eye to the Heavens: the Emotionality of Mortuary Excavations at St. Peter's Church, Bermuda. Council of Northeast Historical Archaeology, St. Mary's College, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- What It is to Burn: Emotional Taphonomy of Fire Contexts in Historical Archaeology. Theoretical Archaeology Group, Columbia University, New York, New York.
- 2008 'Jesus Christ is good but Trade is better': Towards a Methodology for Uncovering the Nuanced Ephemerality of Illegal Trade in the West Indies. Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- Catholic Artifacts in a Protestant Landscape: A Multi-Vocal Approach to the Religiosity of Jamestown's Colonists. With Brent Fortenberry. Contemporary and Historical Archaeology in Theory Conference, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England.

#### **INVITED LECTURES**

- 2023 Recent Research at St. Mary's Fort. Friends of the Library Dinner, St. Mary's City, MD.
- 2022 Unearthing St. Mary's Fort. Fall Dinner Meeting, Historical Society of Charles County.
- 2022 Unearthing St. Mary's Fort: A Virtual Conversation. Maryland Center for History and Culture.
- St. Mary's Fort, Founding Site of the Maryland Colony. Society of Colonial Wars, Washington, D.C. Chapter.
- Digging into Maryland's Past and the Discovery of St. Mary's Fort. Annual Meeting of the Colonial Dames of America-Chapter I.
- Unearthing St. Mary's Fort. Historic St. Mary's City Spring Research Lecture Series, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- 2021 Recent Archaeological Discoveries at Maryland's Colonial Capital. Lunch and Learn Lecture Series, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Maryland.
- The Origins of Slavery in 17<sup>th</sup>-century Maryland. Historic St. Mary's City Spring Research Lecture Series, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- Many People, One Place. Keynote address, Maryland Day, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- 2018 Historical Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. Annual meeting of the Speake Family Association, Lexington Park, Maryland.
- 2018 "For the Entertaynmt of all persons": Ordinaries in 17<sup>th</sup>-century St. Mary's City. Historic St.

- Mary's City Spring Research Lecture Series, St. Mary's City, Maryland
- 2017 Recent Excavations at the Leonard Calvert House. Historic St. Mary's City Spring Research Lecture Series, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- Historical Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. Leonardtown Rotary Club, Leonardtown, Maryland.
- 2017 Historical Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. Lexington Park Rotary Club, Lexington Park, Maryland.
- Feature Speakers: Future Directions of Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. With Silas Hurry. St. Mary's County Historical Society, Leonardtown, Maryland.
- From Maryland to Massachusetts: the Lives and Homes of John Lewger, Esq. and the Jonathan Fairbanks Family. Historic St. Mary's City Fall Research Lecture Series, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- Future Directions of Archaeology at Historic St. Mary's City. Hawktoberfest, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Department of Anthropology, St. Mary's City, Maryland.
- Featured Speaker: Community, Identity, and Murder: The Fairbanks Family's Response to the Jason Fairbanks Trial. Fairbanks Family in America, Inc.: 111th Fairbanks Family Reunion, Dedham, Massachusetts.
- 2012 Keynote Address: Linking Generations: Archaeology and History at the Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts. The Morse Society, 2012 Biennial Conference, Norwood, Massachusetts.
- Featured Speaker: Digging through History: Archaeology at the Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts. Fairbanks Family in America, Inc.: 110th Fairbanks Family Reunion, Dedham, Massachusetts.
- Archaeology and the History of the Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts. South End Historical Society, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Archaeology and Recent Research at the Fairbanks House. Dedham Historical Society, Dedham, Massachusetts.
- Report from the Field: the 2010 Excavation Season. Annual Reunion of the Fairbanks Family in America, Inc., Dedham, Massachusetts.
- 2009 Report from the Field: the 2009 Excavation Season. Annual Reunion of the Fairbanks Family in America, Inc., Dedham, Massachusetts.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- National Endowment for the Humanities, Public Humanities: Exhibitions. Faden, Regina, Peter Friesen, Travis G. Parno, Henry M. Miller, Jennifer Ogborne, Stephanie Whitehead, and Sharol Yeatman. "Storytellers and ADA Assistive Technology" (\$315,150).
- Maryland Historical Trust Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program, "Geophysical Survey of the St. Mary's Fort Surrounds" (\$18,000 with \$18,000 match provided by the Historic St. Mary's City Foundation).
- Maryland Historical Trust Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program, "Geophysical Prospection: Locating the 1634 Fort at St. Mary's City" (\$16,000 with \$16,000 match provided by the Historic St. Mary's City Foundation).
- Town of Concord Discretionary Fund, Concord-Brandeis Cooperative Archaeological Survey Initiative (CBCASI), McGrath Farm Pilot Project (\$10,000), with invitation to apply for Community Preservation Act funds, 2016.
- 2012 Creighton Gabel Memorial Scholarship Award, Boston University Department of Archaeology (\$1,100).
- Boston University Conference Travel Grant, Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Baltimore, Maryland (\$100).

2010	Angela J. and James J. Rallis Memorial Award/Edwin S. and Ruth M. White Prize, Boston University Center for the Humanities (\$3,000).
2009	Boston University Conference Travel Grant, Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Toronto, Canada (\$250).
2008	Boston University Conference Travel Grant, Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Albuquerque, New Mexico (\$100).

# OTHER RESEARCH PROJECTS

2023-present	Member, Chancellor's Point Working Group (CPWG).
2014–2016	Co-Director, Concord-Brandeis Cooperative Archaeological Survey Initiative (CBCASI).
2012–2015	Project Director, Mosul University Archaeology Program (MAP), Distance learning initiative.
2008	Lead digital designer, St. Peter's Church 3D Modelling Project, Bermuda National Trust, Bermuda.
2007-2008	Consultant, Salem Street Burial Ground Project, Medford, Massachusetts.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Archaeological Analysis Archaeological Methods Archaeology of Boston

Archaeology in Theory and Practice Conquest: Archaeology and Colonialism Field School in Historical Archaeology Great Discoveries in Archaeology

Great Discoveries in Archaeology

Heritage and Society: the Politics of the Past

The Hidden Lives of Things: Material Culture in 19th-Century New England (writing intensive)

Historical Archaeology Field School

**Human Origins** 

Indiana Jones, Ancient Bones, and Cultures Bought and Sold (writing intensive)

# **AWARDS, HONORS, & FELLOWSHIPS**

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2011–2013	Graduate Writing Fellowship, Boston University Arts & Sciences Writing Program (total for tuition and stipends: \$53,819).
2007–2011	Presidential Fellowship, Boston University Department of Archaeology (total for tuition and stipends: \$133,587).
2010	Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award, Boston University Graduate School of Arts & Sciences.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2007–present	Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA)
2014-present	Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA)
2016-present	Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology (CNEHA)
2017–present	Council for Maryland Archaeology (CfMA)

# **SERVICE Peer Reviews**

2022 American Antiquity

2014	Anthropology Theory.
2013–2014	Journal of Contemporary Archaeology.
Other Service	
2020-present	Advisory Board Member, Center for the Study of Democracy, St. Mary's College of Maryland.
2016–2022	At-large member, Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology (CNEHA) Executive Board.
2016–2021	Member, Museum Studies Program Steering Committee, St. Mary's College of Maryland.
2009–2016	Site archaeologist, Fairbanks Family in America, Inc., Fairbanks House, Dedham, Massachusetts.
2009–2013	Website Committee, Boston University Department of Archaeology.
2012	Guide, "Afternoon at Museum" Museum of Fine Arts Art of the Americas Wing Tour, hosted by the Boston University Department of Archaeology.
2010	Graduate Conference Committee, Boston University Department of Archaeology.

# **LANGUAGES**

German: Spoken/Reading

Spanish: Reading

# RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Echo360 Active Learning Software: Proficient

Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere): Proficient

ESRI ArcGIS: Proficient Google Sketchup: Proficient

Wordpress Web Editing: Proficient

Microsoft Office Professional Suite: Proficient