

Our February 3rd Legacy Lecture Series will feature Diana Hawks, an Archaeologist's Personal Insights into the Ancestral Puebloan Abandonment of Southern Utah we be on Monday, February 2 at 12 noon

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Dear Friends,

We are pleased to announce that our Legacy Lecture Series for Monday, February 3rd at 12 to 1 pm in the St. George Tabernacle will feature **Archaeologist Diana Hawks**. **She will present an Archaeologist's Personal Insights into the Ancestral Puebloan Abandonment of Southern Utah.**

Diana Hawks is an instructor for ICL and an archaeologist, and she will be talking about indigenous archaeology and related topics. The Ancestral Puebloan people lived in southern Utah, southern Nevada, southwestern Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and northern Mexico beginning about 3,000 years ago. By AD 1300 they had abandoned the northern portion of the Southwest and moved south into central Arizona, New Mexico and northern Mexico. Why did they leave? Why didn't they return to an area they had lived in for thousands of years? Diana Hawks will provide some recent information and personal insights from the past few years on how and why they might have abandoned southwestern Utah (along with other portions of the northern Southwest).

Ms. Hawks obtained her bachelor's and master's degrees in Prehistoric Archaeology from Brigham Young University in 1978 and 1980, specializing in Southwestern and Mesoamerican (Mayan) archaeology. She has lived in St. George since 1991 and worked as an archaeologist and team lead for the Bureau of Land Management on the Arizona Strip District for 27 years and retired in 2016. In retirement she works part-time for Road Scholar as an educator on trips to national and state parks of southern Utah and northern Arizona. She also volunteers as an instructor for the Institute for Continued Learning (ICL) at Utah Tech University.

We hope that you will be with us on Monday, February 3rd. We appreciate your interest in our Legacy Lecture Series. Please come and bring a friend.

Sincerely,

Kevin Anderson