

Archaeological Institute of America

Excavate • Educate • Advocate

Akron-Kent Society

archaeological.org/society/akron-kent/

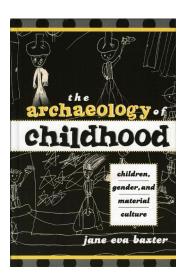
2021-2022 Lecture Series

Jane Eva Baxter, DePaul University

"An Introduction to the Archaeology of Childhood"

In-person at Leigh Hall 215, University of Akron **-or-** via Teams Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 7:00 p.m.





It is hard to imagine, given how ever-present children are in our modern world, that archaeologists did not begin to study children until about 25 years ago. What can the study of children and childhood offer to archaeology that the study of adults alone cannot? Where can we find traces of children in the archaeological record? How can an archaeology of children and childhood help us develop more human understandings of our shared past? As an archaeologist whose work on children began in the 1990s, I will answer some of these questions using examples from the paleolithic to the present, and from around the globe. I will discuss topics like children in families, education, apprenticeship, and learning, children at work and play, and the death and commemoration of children. This presentation of children living very different lives than young people in our own society can help us question the assumptions we make about our own lives while gaining an appreciation for the lives of those who came before us.

All attendees must RSVP for the meeting to receive the Teams invitation. Email your RSVP to Dr. Evi Gorogianni, eg20@uakron.edu before 5pm on Apr. 13th

Please come and enjoy light refreshments prior to the lecture, starting at 6:30pm at the lecture hall.