

Southeast Region – Annual Report
July 2016 to June 2017

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Highlight-Welcome Mallory Fenn, and developing an undergraduate program

The highlight of the year was the addition of Mallory Fenn in the role of Public Archaeology Coordinator. Fenn, a graduate of New College and professional science illustrator, is a Miami native who is passionate about archaeology in south Florida. Hired in July, Fenn wasted no time in jumping into her new role, assisting with monitoring at the Miami Circle and creating an artifact illustration workshop. Another major highlight of the year was the development of an undergraduate internship program with our host institution, Florida Atlantic University. After completing Dr. Arlene Fradkin's Florida Archaeology course in the fall, four undergraduate interns devoted their time and effort to FPAN. Over the course of the semester, they assisted in planning events for archaeology month, visited some of Florida's archaeological sites like Fort Center and Pineland, blogged, and conducted workshops. FPAN SE looks forward to working with FAU interns again next year.

**First Quarter July-September 2016:
Assistance to the DHR: The Miami Circle and Beyond**

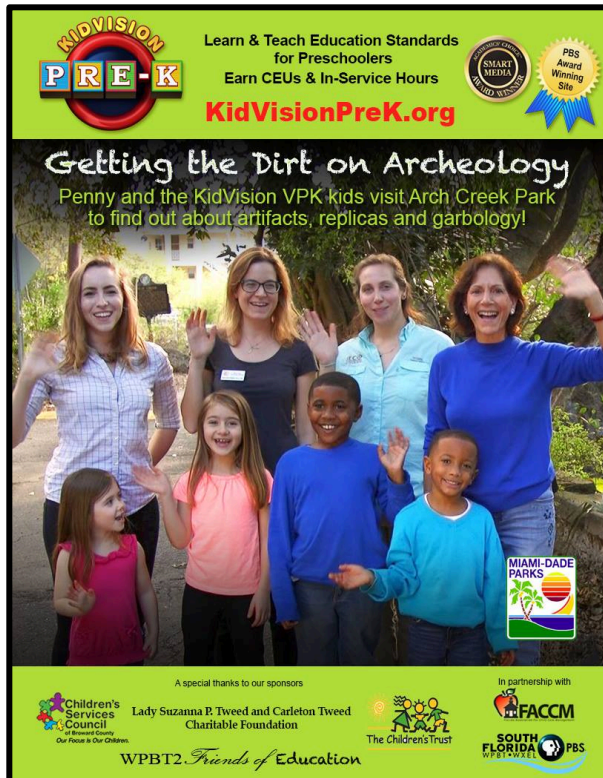
- FPAN SE staff was privileged to be able to assist the DHR with archaeological monitoring prior to proposed improvements to the park at the Miami Circle. These improvements will provide for greater enjoyment and knowledge of the area to the local community. Additionally, Ms. Ayers-Rigsby assisted Florida State Park staff with assessing potential archaeological sites at Dagny Johnson State Park in Monroe County.

**Second Quarter October-December 2016:
Outreach: Sip of Science at Miami Science Barge**

- In December, Mallory Fenn presented at Sip of Science, a monthly program at the Miami Science Barge geared towards young professionals in the city. The Miami Science Barge is a floating environmental innovation laboratory located on Biscayne Bay that is designed to highlight sustainability in Miami. Fenn presented research on Miami and circum-Caribbean migration between Bahamas, Cuba, and south Florida to a packed crowd of over 100 Miamians. Fenn also demonstrated technologies like flint knapping and shell tools in her presentation, and allowed participants to "visit" sites virtually through Google Cardboard, which allows viewers to have an immersive 3D experience. FPAN SE's library of virtual site



Fenn presents to a packed crowd at Sip of Science



From left, back row: Fenn, Ayers-Rigsby, Aimee Scott of Miami Dade County Parks and Miss Penny of Kid Vision Pre K

tours includes Big Mound City, the Miami Circle, and the Cutler Fossil Site, amongst others.

Third Quarter January 2017-March 2017:

FPAN in the Media: KidVision at Arch Creek Park

- In February, FPAN SE staff and Miami-Dade County Parks partnered for a KidVision PreK shoot at Arch Creek Park, a county park that features a Tequesta site. KidVision PreK is a south Florida PBS program which features “field trips” to different attractions throughout the area, and associated vocabulary words. The KidVision kids learned vocabulary words like “archaeology” and “midden” while also gaining knowledge of Miami’s first people. Watch the episode here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BSwglzLM_hE

Fourth Quarter April-June 2017

Heritage Tourism: Kayaking the Jupiter Inlet with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

- The highlight of this quarter was developing a heritage tourism program highlighting the rich archaeological history of the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and Outstanding Natural Area (ONA) with the BLM. FPAN SE has partnered with the BLM for various programs at the ONA throughout the year, from training Army Corps of Engineers volunteers to a Heritage Monitoring Scouts (HMS) workshop in January. In order to engage a more diverse audience that may not have traditionally chosen to participate in an archaeology program, FPAN SE and the BLM partnered to develop an engaging tour highlighting the natural area, it’s 8000 years of occupation, and efforts currently being made to stabilize the shoreline.