

Maria F. Schroeder

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**Education**

1991 University of Iowa Iowa City, Iowa

**Bachelor of Arts**

**Major Anthropology**

**Minor in Latin American Studies**

**Certificate of Studies in African Studies**

**Completion of a six week field school in Louisa County, Iowa**

**Professional  
Experience**

April 2000—Present Highway Archaeology Program, Office of the State Archaeologist,  
University of Iowa, Iowa City

**Architectural Historian Research Assistant**

Scope of work and general responsibilities include assisting Project Architectural Historians with field work and preparation of reports. Obtaining information on highway project corridors throughout Iowa, reviewing engineer plans, writing historic contexts and overviews. Larger projects require coordinating the activities of part-time field and laboratory help.

Responsibilities include documentary research in libraries, museums, courthouses, on-line, and or using personal communications for property histories, chains of title, and legal descriptions. Field work involves conducting surveys of architectural sites in the field. This work requires but not limited to making sketch maps/schematics of properties and reviewing available plats and other archived resources pertaining to the properties to help determine their eligibility to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Responsibilities of position also require photography of resources both in digital and film format. Also included in general responsibilities for the position are performing special historic or architectural research for public presentations.

1994—2000 University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

**Archaeological Research Assistant**

Employed consistently by the Iowa Office of the State Archaeologist through their Cultural Resource Management Programs; the Highway Archaeology Program (HAP) and the General Contracts Program (GCP). Employed as a temporary professional archaeologist. The following are positions held and a brief description of each. The varying scopes of work required different levels of data recovery and research responsibilities. Projects associated with HAP are identified using a Project Completion Report (PCR) number and GCP projects are identified using a Contract Completion Report (CCR) number.

1999-2000

**Crew Chief**

Assisted in Phase I survey identifying, evaluating and recording several historic and prehistoric sites in Johnson and Linn County, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included analysis of recovered data and preparation of electronic maps for final project report. PCR 23 (2).

**Field Technician**

Participated in an extensive Phase I survey for wetland mitigation within and around prerecorded Late Woodland and historic site areas in Linn County, Iowa. PCR 22 (20).

1998-1999

**Crew Chief**

Assisted in Phase I survey locating and identifying historic and prehistoric sites in Des Moines County, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included editing the electronic maps generated for final project report. PCR 22 (01).

**Crew Chief**

Assisted in Phase II data recovery of a non-extant mid-late 19<sup>th</sup> Century farmstead in Des Moines

County, Iowa. PCR 21 (01).

**Crew Chief**

Assisted in Phase II data recovery on several historic and prehistoric sites in Dubuque County, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included initial analysis and preparation of artifacts for the State Repository and collecting archival material for an 1836 Euro-American homestead. PCR 22 (10).

**Field Technician**

Assisted in Phase II investigations of a prehistoric site in Henry County, Iowa. PCR 21 (9).

**Crew Chief**

Supervised Phase II investigations and assisted in the data recovery of several prehistoric sites in northern Missouri. CCR 618.

1997–1998

**Crew Chief**

Supervised Phase I survey locating and identifying several historic and prehistoric sites in Dubuque County, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included creating and editing electronic maps for final project report. CCR 583.

1996–1997

**Crew Chief**

Supervised Phase I survey locating and identifying several historic and prehistoric sites in Des Moines and Louisa County, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included generating electronic maps for final project report and initial analysis of all historic artifacts. PCR 19 (2).

1995-1996

**Project Archaeologist**

Conducted Phase I survey on 26-acre tract of land in Henry County, Iowa. Identified and recorded two new sites, one historic and one prehistoric, authored final project report CCR 502.

**Field Technician**

Assisted in Phase I survey of several areas for the Department of Natural Resources throughout Iowa. CCR 511.

**Crew Chief**

Supervised Phase II investigations and assisted in data recovery of six Archaic to Woodland sites in Henry and Lee County, Iowa following the Avenue of the Saints route. Post fieldwork research included analysis, recordation and archiving data. CCR 496.

**Project Archaeologist**

Conducted Phase I survey of 60-acre tract of land for a new prison facility in Webster County, Iowa and authored final project report CCR 495.

**Assistant Project Archaeologist**

Assisted with emergency data recovery of a multi-component site in Johnson County, Iowa. The project involved monitoring large land movers and collecting data on Early to Middle Woodland sites as well as an early Iowa City historic site. Co-authored project report CCR 489.

**Assistant Project Archaeologist**

Conducted further investigations of a waster pile midden on an historic stoneware pottery factory in Bonaparte, Iowa and co-authored continuation report for CCR 444.

1994-1995

**Project Archaeologist**

Conducted Phase I survey of 26 ha. of land in Jasper County, Iowa for a new correctional release center in central Iowa. Recorded four new sites, three historic and one prehistoric. Authored final project report CCR 482.

**Assistant Project Archaeologist/Crew Chief**

Assisted in Phase II investigations of four historic sites located along U.S. Hwy 151 in Linn and Jones County, Iowa. Authored a section of final project report CCR 476.

**Field Technician**

Assisted in a Phase II investigation two prehistoric sites in NE Iowa. PCR 19(5).

**Assistant Project Archaeologist**

Assisted in salvage excavation of an historic stoneware pottery factory in Bonaparte, Iowa. Post fieldwork research included analysis of recovered materials and co-authored final project report CCR 444.

September 1993–April 1994 Northland Research Inc. Tempe, Arizona

**Archaeological Assistant**

Field Technician

Data recovery of multi-component sites located in Heritage Square, Phoenix, AZ. Participated in the excavation of historic and prehistoric settlement features. The work required the use of various excavation techniques as well as positive interaction with the public. Field Director, Mark Hackbarth.

Field Technician

MTS Project on the Salt River Indian Reservation, Arizona. Data recovery of several Classic Hohokam sites. Uses of various excavation techniques were employed as well as working with and instructing non-professional archaeologists. Field Director, Doug Craig.

March 1993 - September 1993 Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

**Archaeological Assistant**

Field Technician–Lab Technician

Participated in the data recovery of several Hohokam sites within the Tanto Basin of Arizona. The fieldwork included excavation of mitigated sites within the Roosevelt Platform Mound Study for the Federal Land Exchange Program. Post fieldwork included identifying lithic materials, types and functions. Field Director, Judy Cameron, Lab Director, Arlene Simon.

October 1991 - March 1993 University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

**Archaeological Assistant**

Field Technician

Participated in the data recovery and survey of several areas throughout Iowa. Assisted both in field and lab work. The work was done under the guidance of various Project Archaeologists within the HAP and GCP programs.

July 1991—October 1991 Great Lakes Research, East Lansing, Michigan

**Archaeological Assistant**

Lab Technician

Processed cultural materials collected from several Phase III/Salvaged prehistoric sites in Saginaw Valley, Michigan. Project Director, Mark Brandster.

## Publications

- 1996 *Phase I Archaeological Survey of the Proposed Heather Estates Subdivision, Section 10, T71N-R6W, Henry County Iowa.* CCR 502, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1996 *Phase I Archaeological Survey of a Proposed Prison Site Section 31, Webster County, Iowa.* CCR 495, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1996 *Damage Assessment and Data Recovery at Site 13JH250, a.k.a. The Napoleon Town Site, Section 22, T79N-R6W, Johnson County, Iowa.* Co-authored by Richard L. Fishel, John F. Doershuk, and Maria Schroeder. CCR 489, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1996 *The Bonaparte Pottery Site (13VB200) a.k.a. The Parker-Hanbeck-Wilson Pottery: Archaeological and Historical Investigation: Additional Investigation of the Waster Midden Feature.* Co-authored by Leah D. Rogers and Maria Schroeder. Supplemental II to CCR 444, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1996 *The Bonaparte Pottery Site (13VB200) a.k.a. The Parker-Hanbeck-Wilson Pottery: Archaeological and Historical Investigation Inventory Tables of Artifacts Examined During the 1994 Investigation.* Supplement I to CCR 444, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1995 *Phase I Archaeological Survey of the Proposed Newton Correctional Release Center, Jasper County, Iowa.* CCR 482, Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1995 *Phase II Investigations at Three Historic Sites and Supplemental Phase I Investigations at One Historic Site along The Highway 151 Corridor (Segment 2) between Springville, Linn County and Anamosa, Jones County, Iowa.* Co-authored by Cynthia L. Peterson and Maria Schroeder. CCR 476 Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.
- 1995 *The Bonaparte Pottery Site (13VB200) a.k.a. the Parker-Hanbeck-Wilson Pottery: Archaeological and Historical Investigations.* . Co-authored by Leah D. Rogers, Cynthia L. Peterson and Maria Schroeder. CCR 444 Office of the State Archaeologist, University of Iowa, Iowa City.

## Presentations and Public Projects

- 2004 Historic Bonaparte Stoneware Pottery workshop weekend of September 18–19. Conducted limited excavations in a selected area with selected volunteers. The work was featured on Iowa Public Television’s program Living in Iowa, feature entitled ‘History in Clay’ (feature no. 1502.888). Place: Bonaparte, Iowa.
- 2003 PowerPoint presentation on historic Bonaparte Stoneware Pottery and other stoneware manufacturers in Iowa operating during the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century. Place: Public Library in Coralville, Iowa on February 24.
- Operated lab weekends with volunteers in the Iowa Office of the State Archaeologist lab facility to offer hands on training in the processing of artifacts collected from previous field workshops at the historic Bonaparte Stoneware site. Weekend lab work ran from early January thru the end of April.
- Presented information on historic stoneware in Iowa and guided tours during the Historic Bonaparte Pottery Site’s Open House on September 21. Place: Bonaparte, Iowa.
- 2002 Presented “From you Grandparents’ Cellar to the Antique Store: Nineteenth-Century Stoneware in Iowa”, Grundy County Heritage Museum, September 28. Place: Morrison, Iowa.
- Part of a panel of archaeologists featured on “Iowa Talks” WSUI/KSUI Radio, August 26. Place: Iowa City, Iowa.
- Ran a limited excavation workshop in the field with close to 50 volunteers at the historic Bonaparte Stoneware site August 24–25, August 31–September 2. The work was featured

in the popular magazine *The Iowan*, July 2004 /Volume 52 No. 6. Place: Bonaparte, Iowa.

Review and Request for Volunteer Work at the Bonaparte Pottery. Presentation to the Iowa Archeological Society at the May 4th IAS Spring Meeting. Place: Ottumwa, Iowa.

- 2001 A Review of the Pottery Works at the Bonaparte Pottery . Presentation to the public on September 15 as part of Iowa's Archaeology Month. Place: Bonaparte, Iowa.
- 2000 A Review of the Pottery Works at the Bonaparte Pottery . Presentation to the public on September 9, part of Iowa's Archaeology Month. Place: Bonaparte, Iowa.
- 1999 An Early Historic Site in Dubuque, A Comparison of the Dates from the Archival Research and the Cultural Materials Collected from a Phase II investigation. Paper presented to the Iowa Academy of Sciences April meeting. Place: Ames, Iowa.
- 1996 The Bonaparte Pottery Factory, Analysis of the Artifacts . Paper presented to the Historical Archaeological Conference of the Upper Midwest October meeting. Place: Red Wing, Minnesota.

**Professional  
memberships**

Iowa Archaeological Society 1991, 1994, 1996, and 1998-2005

Midwest Archaeological Conference, Inc. 1997–2005

Plains Anthropological Society 1996–2003

Society of Historical Archaeology 2000-2005