

2024

DONOR IMPACT REPORT

STEVAN B. DANA PROJECT GRANTS



2024 DONOR IMPACT SUMMARY

\$20,000

4 grants awarded

THE SCHOLARS

Jason T. Herrmann- University of Pennsylvania Sara A. James- University of Colorado Boulder Jennifer Ramsay- State University of New York Brockport Bethany J. Walker- University of Bonn





JASON T. HERRMANN

"Phoenician Roots in a Punic City"

University of Pennsylvania

Excavation site: Motya, Italy



Excavation continued in protected contexts adjacent to the Motya's fortification wall where some early 6th and 7th century contexts were preserved.



Ground-penetrating radar surveys were carried out on areas where we wanted to confirm our interpretations of the magnetic data or where other geophysical surveys would not be effective because of the surface conditions.

"We thank ASOR and the Stevan B. Dana project grant for enabling broad student participation in our 2024 field season. Because of this support, we have been able to come closer to having mapped the majority of Motya's ancient urban plan..."



SARA A. JAMES

"The Brač Island Project"

University of Colorado Boulder

Excavation site: Brač Island, Croatia





Hillfort of Gradina Rat, view of plateau and south slope from west end

Italian Matt-Painted Pottery fragments (ca. 600-500 BCE)

"We began presenting the results of these excavations in August 2024 at the annual meeting of the EAA (European Association of Archaeologists) and will spend part of next season preparing preliminary reports about the site. This grant will be warmly thanked as a supporter of this research which assisted with travel expenses and the analysis of C14 samples"



JENNIFER RAMSAY

"Exploring Continuity and Transition in Southern Jordan"

State University of New York Brockport Excavation site: Petra, Jordan



The project team in from of al-Khazneh (the Treasury) in Petra (from left to right, Dr. Bjorn Anderson, Dr. Jennifer Ramsay, Dr. Craig Harvey, Dr. Amanda Harman, Josh Feland and Abdullah al-Saket).



Feland photogrammetry







BETHANY J. WALKER

"Study of Cultivation Strategies at Khirbet Beit Loya"

University of Bonn
Excavation site: Khirbet Beit Loya, Israel





Crushed pottery in place

Terraced landscape

"With the funding provided by the Dana Grant for Israel, we are documenting cultivation strategies and soil enrichment practices from the nearby terraced fields (which are dated by OSL), and comparing them to crop processing and consumption practices in the village."



Thank you for your continued support of archaeological research and new discoveries!

