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Summer Science Research Initiative

Regent Beth Fitzsimmons Lectures



Dr. Patrick McGovern

Scientific Director of the Biomolecular
Archaeology Project for Cuisine, Fermented
Beverages, and Health
University of Pennsylvania Museum

Thursday, June 14, 4 pm:

Ancient Brews Rediscovered and Recreated

Friday, June 15, 1:30 pm:

**Alcoholic Beverages as the Universal
Medicine before Synthetics**

both lectures in 154 Science Complex

PATRICK E. MCGOVERN is the Scientific Director of the Biomolecular Archaeology Project for Cuisine, Fermented Beverages, and Health at the University of Pennsylvania Museum in Philadelphia, where he is also an Adjunct Professor of Anthropology. Over the past two decades, he has pioneered the interdisciplinary field of Biomolecular Archaeology. His laboratory discovered the earliest chemically attested alcoholic beverage in the world (ca. 7000 B.C., from China), as well as the earliest grape wine, barley beer, mead, and fermented chocolate beverages. He has published three books on ancient alcoholic beverages: *Ancient Wine: The Search for the Origins of Viniculture* (Princeton University, 2003/2006), recently translated into French as *Naissance de la vigne et du vin* (Paris: Libre & Solidaire, 2015), *Uncorking the Past: The Quest for Wine, Beer, and Other Alcoholic Beverages* (Berkeley: University of California, 2009/2010), and *Ancient Brews Rediscovered and Re-Created* (New York: WW Norton, 2017), together with numerous articles (see <http://www.penn.museum/sites/biomoleculararchaeology/>).

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