

**The Second Faunal Interest Group Symposium:  
Zooarchaeology BEYOND FOOD  
Second Call for Papers – Deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

We are pleased to announce the second symposium on zooarchaeology hosted by the **Archaeology Centre's Faunal Interest Group (FIG)** at the **University of Toronto**, taking place online on **March 19th and 20th, 2021**. The theme this year is Zooarchaeology Beyond Food, meaning all the interactions between humans and other animals which are not just about eating. Ritual, raw material, traction, transport, companionship, and many other areas, are all encouraged for discussion. Papers on theoretical aspects of zooarchaeology, including but not limited to alternative ontologies or "the animal turn," are also most welcome. Amongst many other things, 2020/21 marks 50 years since zooarchaeology was first taught at the University of Toronto, and this symposium pays tribute to the founder of the program, **Dr. Howard G. Savage**. The



format this year will be virtual, with presentations and discussion online via Zoom. Papers should be 12 to 15 minutes in length. Talks can be pre-recorded, but the video should be submitted at least 2 days before the symposium. In order to increase opportunities for interaction and participation, and decrease fatigue, we are asking presenters to circulate a summary document for attendees at least one week beforehand, which we can place on our conference webpage. We hope that this will allow our symposium attendees to prepare comments and questions beforehand and provide for shorter presentations and more discussion time. Additionally, we are going to have a virtual poster session for anyone who prefers that style of presenting research.

If you are interested in presenting a paper or poster at the symposium, please send us a brief abstract of your proposed presentation or poster (max. 300 words), and a sentence or two introducing yourself, by **January 15th, 2021**. Contact: [faunalinterestgroup@gmail.com](mailto:faunalinterestgroup@gmail.com). We thank all who apply, and we will contact successful applicants by the end of January. Please see the attached document for information.

*Remembering Dr. Howard Savage*

Zooarchaeological instruction at the University of Toronto began in 1970. Dr. Howard Savage was the originator of the course (ANT415: Faunal Archaeo-Osteology), and he taught it for over 25 years. Many students passed through the faunal lab in the old Borden Building, and several ultimately pursued careers in zooarchaeology. Many of these scholars continue to shape zooarchaeology today, with dozens of their students contributing to the discipline all over the world. Dr. Savage brought a deep love of learning about animals to the class and inspired many with his knowledge and good humour. This year's symposium will have a special session of personal remembrances of Dr. Savage given by a number of his former students. We welcome contributions to this section of the symposium as well. Anyone interested in telling a story or connection to Dr. Savage should send us a quick email at [faunalinterestgroup@gmail.com](mailto:faunalinterestgroup@gmail.com) so that we can schedule enough time for everyone to share.