THE YALE PEABODY MUSEUM PRESENTS

O.C. Marsh Evening Lecture Series

SPRING Semester 2019

Making a Dinosaur: Fossils, Embryos, and the Origin of Birds

Wednesday, February 20, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm
With Bhart-Anjan Bhullar

Complimentary cocktail reception to follow

Birds are living dinosaurs and their feathered bodies bear the legacy of that reptilian heritage. New research in Dr. Bhullar’s lab at Yale has revealed that avian embryos today look in many ways like tiny dinosaurs—bird features appear only just before and just after hatching. Join Peabody’s assistant curator in vertebrate paleontology Bhart-Anjan Bhullar, Assistant Professor of Geology & Geophysics, to learn how evolution assembled the bird body during the age of dinosaurs and see how that history is reflected in the embryonic development of today’s birds.

Cider: From the Silk Road to the Hudson Valley

Thursday, March 21, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm
With Ryan Burk

Cider tasting and complimentary reception to follow

Join world-renowned cider maker Ryan Burk for a historical perspective on the movement of people and agriculture that has given us the drink we call cider. From his cider house in Walden, New York, Burk leads research, development, and experimentation as head cider maker at Angry Orchard, the largest cider producer in the United States. He’ll offer details of his journeys around the world, including a trip to the wild apple forests of Kazakhstan. Come hear (and sample) the history of one of the world’s most ancient fermented beverages.

A Walk through the Bronze Age

Wednesday, April 10, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm
With Gojko Barjamovic

Complimentary cocktail reception to follow

Join Gojko Barjamovic, Senior Lecturer on Assyriology at Harvard University, on a journey through the world of Assyrian traders using unique historical material only recently discovered. We’ll follow a 15-year-old boy setting out for the colonies in service of his father’s business. We will track his voyage through illustrations, maps, and quotations from ancient texts, and experience the landscapes, cities, and people that he encountered. Come explore how people lived, worked, and ate in ancient Mesopotamia.