Gwendolyn Carter Conference 2022: Pasts for the Future of Pastoralism Preliminary Schedule, all times listed are Eastern Daylight Time

Friday, April 8th

Session: <u>Defining the problem and introducing archaeological approaches</u>

10:00am EDT Katherine Grillo¹ & Prame Lesorogol²

¹Assistant Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Florida ²Community representative, Samburu, Kenya

Introduction: Pasts for the Future of Pastoralism

10:20am EDT Nick Brooks¹ & Joanne Clarke²

¹Garama 3C Ltd and Visiting Research Fellow, Climatic Research Unit, University of East Anglia ²Professor, Dept. of Department of Art History and World Art Studies, University

²Professor, Dept. of Department of Art History and World Art Studies, University of East Anglia

From the Sahara to the Sahel – 7000 years of pastoralism in northern Africa

10:40am EDT Elizabeth Hildebrand

Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, Stony Brook University

The challenges of understanding early pastoralists around Lake Turkana: Prospects for assessing risk, mobility, and interaction networks via archaeological data

11:00am EDT Mary Prendergast

Associate Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Rice University

Rangelands and resilience: Investigating ancient African pastoralism with eyes on the present (co-authored with K. Grillo)

11:20-11:30am EDT Short break

Friday, April 8th continued

Session: <u>Contemporary pastoralism in Africa: Land Use, Conservation, and Heritage</u>

11:30am EDT Abdikadir Kurewa

National Museums of Kenya & Pastoralist Heritage Alliance

(Re) Discovering community archaeology in Northern Kenya; Challenges and opportunities

11:50am EDT Carolyn Lesorogol

Professor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis

Community-based Wildlife Conservation in Northern Kenya: Implications for pastoral land use and governance

12:10pm EDT Rebecca Kariuki

School of Life Sciences and Bio-Engineering, Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology, and York Institute for Tropical Ecosystems, University of York

Exploring future land use change scenarios and their implications for pastoral systems in East Africa

12:30pm EDT Nick Brooks¹ & Joanne Clarke²

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Adapting to climate change and conflict in Western Sahara

12:30-1:00pm EDT Discussion & Wrap-up of Day 1

Saturday April 9th

Session: Innovative Methods and Global Perspectives

10:00am EDT Anneke Janzen

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Challenges and Opportunities for Studying Ancient Pastoral Mobility in Africa

10:20am EDT Nicolas Gautier

Assistant Curator of Artificial Intelligence for Cultural and Biological Diversity Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida

Simulating agropastoral land use and landscape change in the Mediterranean Basin

10:40am EDT Alicia Ventresca Miller

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, and Assistant Curator of Asian Archaeology, Museum of Anthropological Archaeology, University of Michigan

The introduction and intensification of pastoralism in north-central Asia

<u>Session: Brainstorming Ways Forward</u>

11:00am-12:00pm EDT Roundtable Discussion for Panelists

Conference Theme: How can – and should – the archaeological past be employed to benefit the present lives and precarious futures of pastoralist communities across Africa? This conference will convene archaeologists, geographers, ecologists, cultural anthropologists, development/policy experts, and herders to address how long-term perspectives on pastoralist resilience and vulnerability can best be mobilized to craft desirable futures for African pastoralism. Essential new efforts are modeling the dynamics of pastoralist ecosystems and climate change here in the present, while deep-time perspectives provided by archaeological research are also critical to understanding pastoralist adaptations and resilience today. Much work on all sides remains: How can we design archaeological research at various spatial and temporal scales to best inform other approaches to modern pastoralism? How can cross-disciplinary studies use archaeological and historical research in innovative ways? How can archaeologists and others best engage in academic and public dialogue about policy and pastoralist futures? This conference will chart collaborative avenues forward.