

Guide to the John L. Buckner film of an Adena burial mound excavation, circa 1939

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Repository:	Human Studies Film Archives
Title:	John L. Buckner film of an Adena burial mound excavation
Date:	circa 1939
Identifier:	HSFA.1983.08
Creator:	Buckner, John L.
Extent:	1 Film reel (23 minutes; black-and-white silent; 400 feet; 8mm)
Language:	No linguistic content; Not applicable .
Digital Content:	Video: John L. Buckner film of an Adena burial mound excavation video clip

Collection Overview

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Received from the Museum of Anthropology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky in 1983.

Provenance

Previously titled "Adena Burial Mound Excavation ca. 1939."

Processing Information

Titles are supplied by the archivist for untitled films.

Preferred Citation

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Restrictions

The collection is open for research. Please contact the archives for information on availability of access copies of audiovisual recordings. Original audiovisual material in the Human Studies Film Archives may not be played.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Scope and Contents

Footage documenting the archaeology of the Wright burial mound, a middle to late Adena culture site in Eastern Kentucky. This large-scale mound excavation was made possible by a work crew provided by the Works Progress Administration. The film shows archaeological methodology, particularly in the manner of excavation through arbitrary stratigraphic levels. Documented are artifacts including an arrowhead, a

bead necklace, and presumably other, as yet unidentifiable, prestige goods. Also includes footage of the excavation of a human burial and the associated burial goods.

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HSFA 1983.8.1

Names and Subject Terms

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Subjects:

Archaeology

Types of Materials:

silent films

Places:

Kentucky North America