

# ACES-NM / CIE-NM 2016 Annual Meeting & Seminar

Lunch catered by Chopstix

10am-12:30pm, Saturday, December 3rd, 2016 Room: 1220 Auditorium, UNM Domenici Center - EAST building

(at the corner of Standford and Marble)
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(Driving direction: see the map attached below)

10:00-10:10 AM Sign-in & registration

10:10-11:00 AM "Roots of Chinese Civilization: from Tool Design to Political Design" - Meng Zhang

11:00-11:15 AM New Mexico Future City Competition Report - Amy Sun, Regional Co-Coordinator

11:15-11:20 AM Financial Report - Tiequan Chen, Treasurer

11:20-11:35 AM 2016 ACES Young Asian American Student Award (YAASA) - YAASA Award Committee

11:35-11:50 AM 2016 ACES Board Member Election - Bing-Shan

11:50-12:30 PM Lunch

# Roots of Chinese Civilization: from Tool Design to Political Design by Meng Zhang

### **Abstract**

The origin of Chinese civilization has been a hot topic both in Chinese archaeology and ancient civilization studies in the world. However, most of studies only focus on the late Neolithic or the Three Dynasties (Xia, Shang, and Zhou), ignoring the agricultural foundation during the Pleistocene/Holocene boundary and earlier technological innovations in lithic tool design since the Last Glacial. This lecture aims to connect three origins, including humanity, agriculture and civilization, based on the latest archaeological record and studies to explore complicated picture in the prehistoric China. An essential factor - geographic difference - will be discussed to provide a new perspective to understand why the northern China became the center of Chinese agricultural civilization.

## Meng Zhang

BA 2008, MA 2011, Jilin University, China PhD. student since 2012 at Department of Anthropology, UNM Research focuses: microblade technology in the northern circum-Pacific, social complexity in the prehistoric China, Chinese ceramics.

Please RSVP to Bing-Shan's email: bsfazio@gmail.com by Thursday, December 1st,2016 for head count for lunch



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- 1. Take I-25 souh to exit 225 (Lomas Blvd). Merge onto Frontage Rd.
- 2. Turn left onto Lomas Blvd.
- 3. Turn left onto Yale Blvd.

- 4. At traffic roundabout, continue straight to stay on Yale Blvd.
- 5. Park car in M-Lot on right side of Tucker and walk east to the Domenici Center on the corner of Stanford Dr. and Marble Ave.
- 6. Look for directional signs to find the room (see map below)

