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### Collaborative Archaeology in Arctic Siberia

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11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Online – via Zoom

(zoom meeting link on the website)

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This presentation will provide an overview of archaeological research conducted on the Iamal Peninsula in Arctic Siberia. This region is the homeland of the Nenets, both wild and domestic reindeer, and is a global center of reindeer pastoralism. Reindeer are the most reliable and abundant resource for the Indigenous communities in this region, shaping the mobility and subsistence patterns of the peninsula's inhabitants, as well as providing them with materials for clothing, ropes, dwellings, and tools. This dependence is long-term. This is made very clear in the archaeological record, which includes a wide variety of artifacts made from reindeer bodies but also large quantities of discarded reindeer remains at ancient settlements. More specifically, this talk will discuss the initiatives and first research outcomes of an archaeological practice designed in collaboration with Nenets herders on issues of reindeer domestication and the overall importance of their animals in daily life.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

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