TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ancient Middle East: Using STEM to Analyze the Past

Understand more about how archaeologists use scientific analysis to understand the people of ancient Mesopotamia. Begin with an activity to explore unfamiliar objects, then tour the Artifact Lab with conservator Tessa Alarcan Martin to hear about her preparations for the new Middle East Galleries. Hear from Dr. Marie-Claude Boileau of the Center for the Analysis of Archaeological Materials (CAAM), in a talk about her scientific analysis of ancient Middle East ceramics. Then finish with a STEM-focused interactive workshop that examines ceramic slipper coffins from the Mesopotamian city of Nippur.