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Uncorking the Past: The Quest for Wine, Beer and Extreme Fermented Beverages

a free public lecture presented by

Dr. Patrick McGovern

Sunday April 10th, 2:30pm

Ellis Auditorium

Santa Rosa Junior College

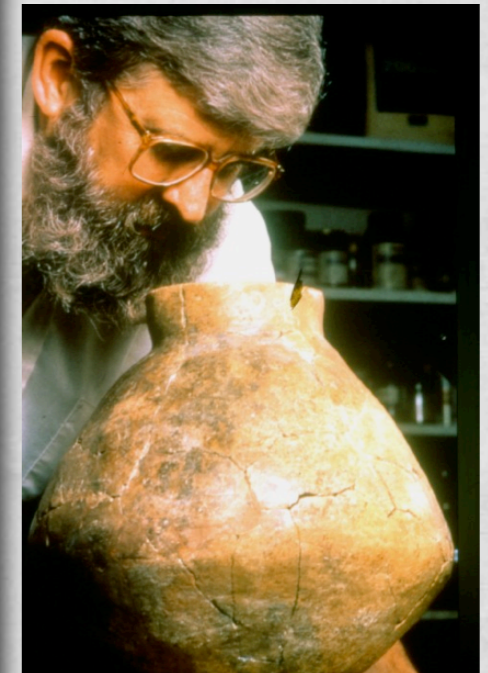
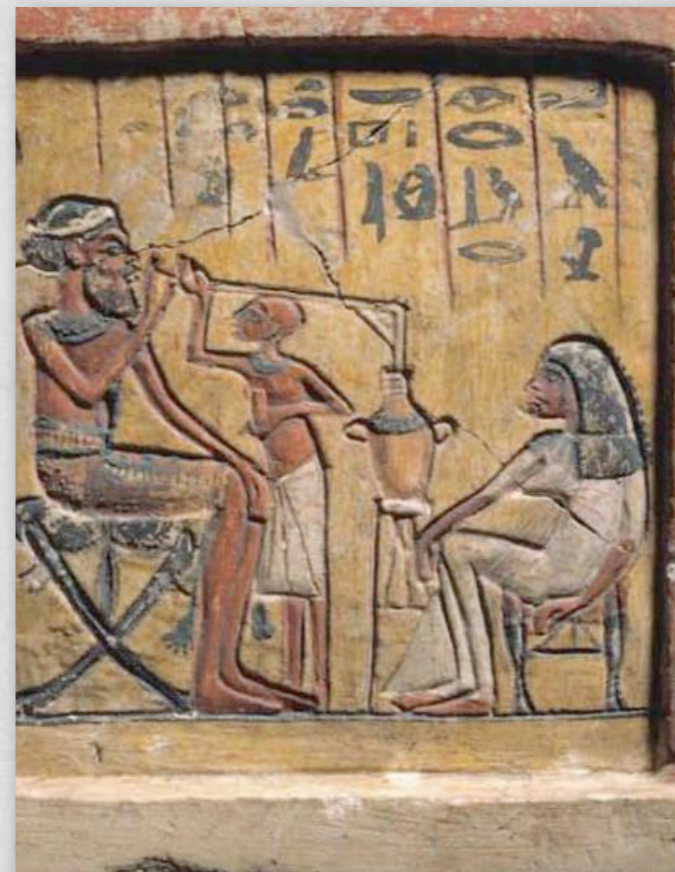
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The history of the human species and civilization itself is, in many ways, the history of fermented beverages. Drawing upon recent archaeological discoveries, molecular and DNA sleuthing, and the texts and art of long-forgotten peoples, Patrick McGovern takes us on a fascinating odyssey back to the beginning when early humanoids probably enjoyed a wild fruit or honey wine. We follow the course of human ingenuity in domesticating plants of all kinds—particularly the grapevine in the Middle East, rice in China, and the cacao (chocolate) tree in the New World—learning how to make and preserve wines, beers, and what are sometimes called “extreme fermented beverages” that are comprised of many different ingredients.

Immediately following the lecture, Dr. McGovern will be available to sign copies of his latest book from the University of California Press, *Uncorking the Past: The Quest for Wine, Beer, and Other Alcoholic Beverages*. Bring your own personal copy to be signed or copies will be available for purchase at a discounted price. Cash only please!

An informal reception from 4:15-5:30 will follow at Lagunitas Brewing Co. located at 1280 N. McDowell Blvd in Petaluma.

Please join us!