GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE 2009 EXCAVATION FIELD SCHOOL OF THE JAFFA CULTURAL HERITAGE PROJECT
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2009 EXCAVATION PROGRAM
In 2009 the Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project (JCHP) will conduct its third season of archaeological excavations in old Jaffa on the south side of Tel Aviv. The excavations reflect a renewed focus on the exploration of the pre-classical remains of Jaffa. These excavations are part of a broader effort to clarify the findings of previous excavations, notably those of Jacob and Haya Kaplan between 1955 and 1981. The JCHP will conduct its archaeology field school from June 27 to July 30, 2009 and is pleased to welcome participants age 18 and older.

Aaron A. Burke, Asst. Prof. of the Archaeology of Ancient Israel in the department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures at UCLA, is co-director of the Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project and will oversee fieldwork operations. See: http://www.nelc.ucla.edu/faculty/burke.htm

Martin Peilstöcker, the lead research archaeologist for Jaffa in the Israel Antiquities Authority, is co-director of the Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project. He has worked in Jaffa since the mid-1990s and coordinates year-round work at the site. See: http://www.antiquities.org.il/personal_cv_eng.asp?id=9

Wolfgang Zwickel, Biblical Studies faculty member of the Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, serves as director of the JCHP field school. See: http://www.ev.theologie.uni-mainz.de/205.php

PROGRAM
The fieldwork program will consist of 4 five-day weeks of archaeological excavation, followed by 1 week of post-season analysis with student participation. Workweeks are Sunday through Thursday. The first day of field work, after arrival on Saturday, June 27, is Sunday morning, June 28. The project ends Thursday, July 30. During the daily program participants will be introduced to archaeological field methods, the use of archaeological tools, artifact analysis and conservation, and database management.

Applications by those seeking participation of no less than 3-weeks may be considered at the discretion of the directors. Weekly costs for participation will be prorated. For exact costs please contact Aaron Burke (burke@humnet.ucla.edu).
CREDIT FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAM
In addition to the fieldwork and lab program there is an academic program consisting of several lectures a week, assignments, and fieldtrip attendance. Those who intend to receive credit for this portion of the program must participate fully in the required activities related to this program. Two fieldtrips scheduled for Fridays (to Caesarea Maritima and Jerusalem) are included as part of this program. Remaining weekends are free for independent travel.

12 hours of academic credit are available for this portion of the program through Johannes Gutenberg-Universität for $1300 (€1050). Johannes Gutenberg Universität in Mainz (Germany) will serve as the credit granting institution. 8 credit hours will be provided for five weeks of participation in the field and lab components of the excavation. An additional 4 credit hours will be issued for participation in the lecture component following the submission of a research paper. Enrollment in the academic program will not be possible after June 1, 2009.

Each student is responsible for verifying in advance that academic credit granted for participation in the JCHP field school can be transferred to the student’s home institution. The JCHP assumes no responsibility for the participant’s failure to verify this prior to participation. For transferring credit to University of California, Los Angeles check at: http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/soc/policy.htm#Anchor-Transfer-52467

TRANSPORTATION
Individuals are responsible for arranging all of their travel to and from the excavations including both air travel and ground transportation. (This is not covered by the program’s cost.) Please make arrangements to arrive by the afternoon or evening of June 27th, and to depart from Jaffa no later than the afternoon of July 30. The first night covered by participant expenses will be Saturday night, June 27 and the last night Wednesday, July 29. Train, bus, and taxi service are available between Ben Gurion airport and the hostel in Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Accommodations for participants will be arranged by the project at the Old Jaffa Hostel in the heart of Jaffa. This is covered by the participation fee and cannot be arranged alternatively.

Old Jaffa Hostel (by Fleamarket in Jaffa) Tel: (972)-03-6822370
13 Amiad St. Fax: (972)-03-6822316
Jaffa-Tel Aviv www.inisrael.com\oldjaffahostel

Transportation to the Old Jaffa Hostel: Take bus no. 46 from Tel Aviv central bus sta. (4th floor) to Amiad St. in Old Jaffa. (Taxis are also readily available from the airport.)

Those arriving in Jaffa before June 27 or departing after July 30 will need to arrange their own accommodations for those dates.

COSTS AND FEES
The total cost of the 5-week program is $1800 (€1450). This includes room (7 nights a week) and meals (5 days week: Sunday-Thursday), related on-site expenses, and two field trips during the five-week program. Payment is due by April 1, 2009. Payments not received by due date may be grounds for the rejection of an application. Accepted participants will be provided with details
concerning where to submit their fees after acceptance. Participants pursuing university credit should add $1300 (€1050) to their payment.

Following formal acceptance to the field school, full payment by check or money order should be made out to the Israel Exploration Society and sent to Wolfgang Zwickel. Payment should be received by April 1, 2009 to guarantee participation in the program.

No refunds will be made after the start of the program. Applicants withdrawing from the program after April 1, 2009 will be assessed a $300 processing fee upon reimbursement.

APPLICATION
Approximately thirty spaces are open for participation in the project. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come-first-serve basis, and priority will be given to students enrolled in the field school program for academic credit. Participants must affirm that they are in excellent physical and mental health (see application forms), and provide a letter of recommendation from their academic advisor or most relevant instructor or fieldwork supervisor. The project’s directors may reject the applications of participants who are deemed unfit for participation in the project or choose to accommodate individuals in a manner befitting their abilities. (Please note that due to the limited size of the field school, we are unable to accommodate special dietary requests, and individuals needing such accommodation will be required to meet these needs for themselves and at the individuals own added expense.)

Please download and complete the following forms and submit them via email (zwickel@uni-mainz.de). Applications will be reviewed from March 1, 2009 until all spaces in the program are filled.
2. Medical Form. Please print the PDF and complete all information.
3. Waiver. Please print the PDF and complete all information.
The forms can be downloaded from: http://jaffa.theol.uni-mainz.de/.

To submit your application or for more information regarding the field school, please contact:
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TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Participants (including staff) are expected to abide by codes of conduct defined by the participating institutions. Inappropriate conduct may be grounds for dismissal from the project without refund.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
For up-to-the-minute details regarding the Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project and upcoming events, check The Jaffa Cultural Heritage Project group page at Facebook.com. Or email jaffa@israntique.org.il.