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Exploring the Roots of the Vine:
How Archaeological Work in Georgia is changing the
History of Wine

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Wine is one of the most commonly enjoyed and alcoholic beverages in the modern world. But what is the antiquity and history of this otherworldly drink? When and how was it first developed? How did it spread from its point of origin? Dr. Stephen Batiuk will show how new archaeological fieldwork and biomolecular chemistry and genetics are helping unlock this story, pushing its origins back to the Neolithic period and to the region of Caucasia, modern Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan, and how one of our earliest and best-documented examples of an ancient migration probably led to the spread of wine and wine culture across the Ancient Near East, and then eventually across the rest of the Mediterranean World.

The lecture will take place on Zoom. Zoom registration:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUpfuGvpzgtGdXtsWa-uZybiQhIvmukArRd

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