

E'SE'GET ARCHAEOLOGY PROJECT UNDATE

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**WHAT LABORATORY STUDY IS REVEALING ABOUT THE ANCIENT MI'KMAW OF
PORT JOLI**

THE BEST WESTERN LIVERPOOL

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TIME: 2:30 P.M. – 4 P.M.

EVERYONE WELCOME



“A professional adage goes that “90% of archaeology is done in the laboratory”. After four seasons of fieldwork in Port Joli , Nova Scotia, the E’s’e”get Archaeology Project is now focused on analyzing the data recovered from the excavations. In this talk, Dr. Mathew Betts, Curator of Eastern Archaeology at the Canadian Museum of History, will outline how laboratory analysis is changing our understanding of ancient Mi’kmaq life on Nova Scotia’s Southern Shore. He will discuss how the project’s analysis of artifacts, animal bones, clam shells, and other data is revealing that the archaeological record of Port Joli is very distinctive in comparison to other regions of Nova Scotia. In fact, supported by a unique ecosystem, it seems that Port Joli’s ancient inhabitants practiced a way of life somewhat different from those documented in other areas of the Maritime Provinces.”