

Southern Utah University Archaeological Repository

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The Southern Utah University (SUU) Archaeological Repository is located on the campus of Southern Utah University in Cedar City Utah. It holds the artifacts from many investigations, including those done by SUU archaeologists and now from investigations performed by BLM archaeologists in Southern Utah. The curator is Barbara Frank.

A prior report describes the repository and shows the types of artifacts that are held at this location - <http://dixierockart.webs.com/Field%20Trip%20Reports/SUU%20Archaeology%20Repository%20field%20trip.pdf>.

Some of the artifacts shown and discussed during this visit are described.



Figure 1 shows some Fremont style figurines that were found at a site in Summit Utah.



Figure 2 are two bowls that were found on what is now the Southgate Golf Course in St. George Utah.



Figure 3 is a ceramic pot that was found near Quail Creek in Hurricane Utah.



Figure 4 is a bone tool that was found in Johnson Canyon near Kanab Utah.



Figure 5 is a ceramic “paint pot” that had colors of red and turquoise.



Figure 6 is a fiber sandal. This is one of the few fiber artifacts that are held at the repository. This is due to the fact that there are not many “dry caves” in the Southern Utah.



Figure 7 is thought to be a ceramic whistle. It makes a shrill sound.

The repository has a collection of reconstructed pottery. Examples of the various designs are shown:



Figure 8 shows a number of black on gray bowls. Only the last two have designs that go through the bottom of the vessel.



Figure 9 shows black on red bowls. Note the designs all go through the bottom of the vessel.



(a)

(b)

Figure 10 shows a black on red pot (a) and a corrugated gray ware pot (b).



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure 11 shows examples of Paiute ceramics. They typically have a conical bottom (a). One has holes that could have been to “hang” the pot during use (b). The rim portion of a Paiute corrugated pot (c).

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