



Advanced Metal Detecting Course is RPA-Certified

The Continuing Education Program of the Register of Professional Archaeologists (RPA), the board of AMDA, and New South Associates are proud to announce that the course, *Advanced Metal Detecting for the Archaeologist* (AMDA), has been certified as a two-day, 16-credit offering. The RPA created the Continuing Education Program in recognition that archaeologists, like other professionals, benefit from ongoing training after completion of their academic degrees. For more information on the RPA program, please see <http://rpanet.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=30> .

The AMDA course is designed to provide archaeologists with the knowledge and hands-on experience necessary to assure best practices when applying metal detecting in archaeological research. The AMDA instructors include Chris Espenshade, Dr. Terry Powis, Dr. Sheldon Skaggs, Dr. Doug Scott, Patrick Severts, and Garrett Silliman. New South Associates is the institutional sponsor. The course will be offered several times per year in various venues. Agencies interested in sponsoring a local offering of the course should contact Chris Espenshade at cespenshade@newsouthassoc.com .

Our first course offering will be August 22 and 23, 2012, in Charleston, South Carolina. The local sponsor will be the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism. The tuition will be \$225.00, we have room for 23 students, and students will receive 16 RPA continuing education credits. The August course will be on the two days prior to the Southeastern Conference on Historic Sites Archaeology (SECHSA). We encourage attendees of the course to stay for the SECHSA. For AMDA course details, please contact Chris Espenshade, and information on SECHSA can be found at <https://sites.google.com/site/seconfhsa/home> .

