# Moundbuilders Tour, Provisional Itinerary
## June 2012

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<th>Centre</th>
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<td><strong>CHICAGO</strong></td>
<td>Thur</td>
<td>Direct flight to Chicago.</td>
<td>Arrive at O’Hare airport and transfer to hotel.</td>
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<td><strong>PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WI</strong></td>
<td>Fri</td>
<td>Fort Atkinson intaglio</td>
<td>Aztalan Mississippian palisaded town (c AD1000-1200) with four platform mounds and a cemetery of conical mounds. Outlier of Cahokia, possibly to control access to Great Lakes copper; good museum.</td>
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<td>(Day 2)</td>
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<td>Last intaglio in state (of c 12); panther was water spirit, thus effigy dug into earth; originally part of large mound group.</td>
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<td>General Atkinson Mound Group</td>
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<td>Eleven surviving mounds: linear, conical, bird and turtle.</td>
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<td><strong>Effigy Mounds NM (Iowa)</strong></td>
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<td>(Day 3)</td>
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<td>Marching bear effigies arranged in linear groups with birds, chain/compounds, linears, conical effigy mounds; c AD700-1300; good museum.</td>
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<td><strong>Pikes Peak State Park</strong></td>
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<td>Effigy mound group on bluffs overlooking the Mississippi.</td>
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<td>Middle Woodland (200BC-AD300) mound and village complex; rich Hopewell trade goods; 39 surviving mounds.</td>
<td>Dickson Mounds Museum 12,000 years of American Indian history represented.</td>
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<td>Lincoln moved in in 1844, the year after he was married; house extended with 2nd floor in 1856 for growing family; after assassination became rental property until son donated it to the state in 1887.</td>
<td>Pere Marquette State Park Several prehistoric village and mound sites with interpretive trails and visitor centre.</td>
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<td>(Day 7)</td>
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<td>Iconic Mississippian complex covers 6 sq miles and originally comprised 120 mounds; influence peaked AD1050-1150; Monks Mound three times larger than Silbury; timber-built Woodhenges, etc; excellent site museum.</td>
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<td><strong>Visit Cahokia to witness Midsummer sunrise over Monks Mound</strong></td>
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<td>Millstone Bluff Area used as millstone quarry in historic times; undamaged Mississippian village, cist cemetery and rock art site; AD500-1500; 24 house depressions clustered around a central plaza; Mississippian rock art.</td>
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<td>Mississippian mound group (AD1200-1400); largest in Indiana; 11 platform mounds surrounded by palisaded defences.</td>
<td>Miami Fort Hopewell hillfort; c AD270; five entrances; composite walls, wood, clay and stone; Late Adena-Hopewell burial mounds suggest fort replaced cemetery.</td>
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### CHILICOTHE, OH
#### [Day 10]
- **Sat 23rd**
  - **Serpent Mound**
    - 411m long, 1.2-1.5m high, 6.1m wide; excavations in 1991 yielded dates of AD1030 for the mound construction, thus Fort Ancient culture; a contemporary village lies immediately south of mound; two Adena mounds nearby; mound located upon unusual cryptoexplosion structure.
- **Fort Hill**
  - Major Hopewell fort; 19.5ha in area; walls 1.8-4.5m high, >13.7m wide, 33 entrances; ceremonial rather than defensive.
- **Seip Mound**
  - Part of Hopewell complex of geometric enclosures (AD100-500); central mound survives, 73 x 49 x 9m high; covered 122 interments; Hopewell buildings lie adjacent.

#### [Day 11]
- **Sun 24th**
  - **Flint Ridge**
    - 1km ridge of Vanport flint in beds >3.6m thick; translucent, white, yellow, pink, salmon, red, blue, green and black; exploited from Paleo-Indian onwards; Vanport flint found in many Adena and Hopewell sites; hundreds of pits survive, >6m deep and 18m diameter; much debitage scattered around.
- **Newark earthworks**
  - Hopewell geometric earthworks (c 100BC-AD500); Great Circle 12ha and 365m diameter; effigy mound ‘bird’ and conjoined mounds overlie site of Hopewell great house; fragments of Hopewell ‘great road’ linking site with Chilicothe.
- **Alligator mound**
  - ?Underwater panther overlooks valley to SW; built of clay, silt and stone; 76m long, >12m wide, 1.2m high; possible ‘altar’; 14C date suggests Fort Ancient culture.

#### [Day 12]
- **Mon 25th**
  - **Hopewell Culture National Historical Park**
    - Mound City encloses an area of 6.3ha; 23 mounds, each covered a wooden building; much ritual involved with burials; rich grave goods (some in BM) e.g. 200 effigy pipes, copper headdresses; inhumations and cremations; excellent site museum.
- **Glenford Fort**
  - Hopewell hilltop enclosure using part natural defences, but also stone-built walls (very rare); 11ha.
- **Tarlton Cross Mound**
  - 14m in length, >1m high; central trench; adjacent circular mounds; Great Hopewell Road nearby; probably Fort Ancient in date.

#### [Day 13]
- **Tues 26th**
  - **Sunwatch Village**
    - Sub-circular village surrounded by palisade; NW entrance; central plaza around large post surrounded by circular post settings – possibly solstitial calendar; buildings ranged around palisade, then burials, then circular plaza in a succession of concentric zones; Fort Ancient (AD900-1600).
- **Miamisburg Mound**
  - One of largest conical mounds, 20.7m high; 1869 excavation by vertical shaft and two horizontal tunnels out from shaft; burials found at various depths; log tomb; possible altar; mound built incrementally.
- **Williamson Mound & Pollock Works**
  - Mound ?Adena; enclosure Hopewell, AD50-225, five phases, including palisades; three entrances with outworks.

#### [Day 14]
- **Weds 27th**
  - **Fort Ancient**
    - Hopewell hilltop enclosure; 50.5ha; walls 1.2-7.0m high; 67 entrances; various mounds within; built 100BC-AD300; wooden buildings inside; site reused by Fort Ancient communities for several centuries around AD1000.
- **Stubbs E/works**
  - Hopewell geometric earthworks surrounding ?effigy mound covering a complex building; timber circles found in excavations along with Hopewell buildings.

### INDIANAPOLIS, IN
#### [Day 15]
- **Thur 28th**
  - **Mounds State Park**
    - Ten mounds and various earthworks; both Adena and Hopewell; Great Mound possibly used for astronomy.
- **Indiana State Museum**

### CHICAGO
#### [Day 16]
- **Fri 29th**
  - **Travel to Chicago**
- **Field Museum**

### TRAVEL HOMEWARDS
#### [Day 17]
- **Sat 30th**
  - **Free morning and lunch in Chicago**
- **Travel to airport mid-afternoon**