

# Dig turns up ancient artifacts at upstate NY site

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State Museum archaeologists Daniel Mazeau, right, and Aaron Gore remove a bucket of rocks and dirt from a dig site on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2013, in Lake George, N.Y. New York archaeologists say they've uncovered 10,000-year-old American Indian artifacts at the site of a construction project at a popular state-owned beach in the southern Adirondacks. (AP Photo/Mike Groll)

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popular state-owned beach in the southern Adirondacks.

Officials with the State Museum in Albany say an archaeological dig conducted ahead of the \$3 million project at Million Dollar Beach on Lake George has turned up artifacts dating back to about 8,000 B.C.

The find includes thousands of arrowheads and pieces of [stone tools](#). It makes the site among the earliest known occupied locations in New York state.

The museum's director and the state's head archaeologist announced the findings at a news conference at the beach Thursday.



State Museum archaeologist Jared Williams sifts rocks and dirt looking for artifacts at a dig site on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2013, in Lake George, N.Y. New York archaeologists say they've uncovered 10,000-year-old American Indian

artifacts at the site of a construction project a popular state-owned beach in the southern Adirondacks. (AP Photo/Mike Groll)

The state is repaving the parking lot and access road along the beach entrance, located on the southern end of the 32-mile-long lake.

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