



The GW Department of Anthropology  
presents the  
**2010 Carroll Lecture in  
Archaeology**



**Creating an Identity from Ancient Pottery:  
Results from an Archaeological Study in  
Eastern El Salvador**

**by Fabio Esteban Amador**

National Geographic Society

**April 26 (Monday)**

**11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**HAH 202 (Anthropology seminar room)**



The study entitled *Archaeological Atlas of the East Region of El Salvador* was designed to address historical questions of societies that inhabited the region in antiquity. However, interpreting a fragmented past is often impossible and political/economic/social/religious affiliations are vaguely represented by the temporal and spatial distribution of unique artifacts on the landscape. This presentation reflects upon the unique evidence from the past to create an identity in the present.

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