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Dr. Justin Dunnavant is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology at UCLA. His current research in the US Virgin Islands investigates the relationship between ecology and enslavement in the former Danish West Indies. In addition to his archaeological research, Justin is co-founder of the Society of Black Archaeologists and an AAUS Scientific SCUBA Diver. In 2021, he was named a National Geographic Emerging Explorer and inducted into The Explorers Club as one of "Fifty People Changing the World that You Need to Know About." Last year, he was awarded the 2022 Stafford Ellison Wright Black Alumni Scholar-in-Residence at Occidental College. His research has been featured on Netflix's "Explained," Hulu's "Your Attention Please" and in print in *American Archaeology, Science Magazine*, and *National Geographic Magazine*.

## Maritime Archaeology in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Exploring the History and Heritage of our Underwater World

This talk is meant to expose the audience to the world of maritime archaeology. From Africatown, Alabama, to the Hawaiian Islands, this course will cover some of the latest projects I've been engaged. Additionally, I'll share some of the newest technologies that are making this research possible. Using Virtual Reality, Photogrammetry, and other methods, we're exploring new ways to investigate and disseminate the heritage that lays within our underwater world.

