

NEW for the summer of 2014

Be part of AFS Tunisia's 20th International Summer Archaeological Workcamp in Kelibia, Tunisia.

What is it?

The International Summer Archaeological Workcamp is organized by AFS Tunisia in partnership with the Tunisian National Heritage Institute, the only institution in charge of archaeological sites and archaeological activities in Tunisia. The camp combines digging and other activities related to archaeological research with a rich program of intercultural education. By volunteering their work, participants will get the opportunity to do something useful and important for archaeology in Tunisia, and also meet people from different parts of the world, make new friends, experience a new culture, and have fun doing all of this.

When?

From August 2nd to August 23rd, 2014

Where?

Known dig sites in the lovely coastal town of Kelibia, Tunisia. Accommodations will be in segregated dorms at the local Fishing School.

Who can participate?

Young men and women 18 years of age or older. No experience in archaeology is necessary.

Other activities?

A rich program of cultural activities, discussions, country nights, film viewing, and three weekend outings one of which is in the desert.

How to apply?

To apply, contact your local AFS organization or download and fill out this application form and send it to info@afs-tunisia.org.

Fees?

For fees and other details, contact your local AFS organization or send an email to info@afs-tunisia.org.

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20th International Archaeological Summer Work Camp

TERMS and CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS and GENERAL CONDITIONS

a/ The International Archaeological Summer Work Camp is organized by AFS Tunisia in collaboration with the Tunisian Institute of Heritage, the official body in charge of archaeological sites and digging activities in Tunisia. It consists in bringing together volunteers from Tunisia and other countries and putting them to help out for free on selected dig sites.

b/ The objectives pursued by AFS Tunisia are two-fold: - give the participants, through the dig activities, concrete opportunities to appreciate the importance of multicultural human interaction in one's heritage, and – provide, through the camp formula, a safe and open context for intercultural living and learning. Prospective participants agree to take active part in the cultural activities of the camp as specified by AFS Tunisia.

c/ Participation in the work camp is open to interested young men and women aged 18 and above. No prior experience in archaeology or digging activities is necessary.

d/ The working language of the camp is English. Some knowledge of either French or Arabic will be advantageous.

e/ Because of the physical and safety demands of the work on the dig site, participants need to be in good health and free of any physical and mental conditions likely to impede their full and active participation in the work camp.

f/ By completing and sending an application form to AFS Tunisia, candidates do signify that they have read, understood and accepted the present Terms and Conditions. Accepted candidates will also be asked to further agree to the specific safety tips of the camp and the general terms and conditions of AFS programs.

g/ Final acceptance of candidates to the program is at the sole discretion of AFS Tunisia. Candidates will be notified and a formal letter of acceptance will be sent to them.

h/ AFS Tunisia reserves the right to cancel the camp in case there is an insufficient number of

candidates, or in the cases of force majeure and unforeseen circumstances.

2. DATES and DEADLINES

a/ All international arrivals and departures for the purposes of the camp shall be through the International Airport of Tunis-Carthage. Participants arriving at and departing from other international airports in Tunisia will be responsible for arranging their transportation to AFS Tunisia's office in Tunis.

b/ The beginning of the 2014 Camp is set for Saturday, August 2, 2014. Participants are expected to report to AFS Tunisia's office on that day between 8:00 and 12:00 AM. AFS Tunisia will arrange their transportation to the camp's living quarters in Kelibia during the afternoon of the same day.

c/ The end of the 2014 camp is set for Saturday, August 23, 2014. Participants are expected to vacate the camp's living quarters in Kelibia in the morning of that day and AFS Tunisia will arrange their transportation to the International Airport of Tunis-Carthage on the same day.

d/ Participants wishing to arrive in Tunis prior to August 2 or to leave Tunis after August 23 are responsible for arranging their accommodations and transportation for that period. Whenever possible, AFS Tunisia's volunteers may be willing to help but at their own discretion.

e/ Participants planning to arrive after August 2 or leave prior to August 23 should inform AFS Tunisia of their plans at least two weeks before the beginning of the camp.

f/ Taking into account condition (1h) above, the final decision on whether to proceed with holding the camp or cancelling it will be taken by AFS Tunisia during the first week of the month of May 2014. Candidates and accepted participants will be notified of such decision.

g/ Accepted candidates will be requested to make a non-refundable deposit of 50% of the participation fee once they have been notified of their final acceptance by AFS Tunisia. AFS Tunisia will also inform the accepted candidates of the specific terms and arrangements related to that deposit and its eventual refund.

3. WORKING ON THE DIG SITE

Work on the dig site will be carried out under the direct supervision of an archaeology professor and his team of research assistants from the Tunisian National Institute of Heritage. The same team will also undertake the basic pedagogical training of AFS participants. By accepting to volunteer on the dig site, participants agree to observe and respect the work schedule, assignment, and group as decided by the site technical supervisor and to follow the technical instructions.

4. ACCOMMODATIONS

a/ Living accommodations for the 2014 camp will be in segregated dorms at the Vocational School of Fishing in Kelibia, with shared but segregated showers and toilets. Meals will also be served at the cafeteria of the same institution.

b/ Participants agree to observe and follow the rules and regulations for the use of the school's facilities and premises as set by the school's administration, in particular the rules regarding access to the school's facilities, meal times, visitors and visiting hours. Participants will also be held responsible for any damage they may cause to the school's facilities and equipment.

c/ In addition to the rules and regulations mentioned in (4b) above, participants also agree to observe and follow the safety instructions specific to the camp and the general safety and conduct conditions of AFS programs.

5. INSURANCE

Upon arrival to the camp, accepted participants must have and show a valid proof of possession of an international travel and repatriation insurance covering at least the duration of the camp. Any other form of insurance is optional.

6. ENTRY VISA

Where required, accepted candidates are responsible for obtaining the relevant travel and visa documents necessary for entry to Tunisia. AFS Tunisia cannot apply for an entry visa on your behalf but can issue you a letter of invitation to the camp if required. Candidates are highly encouraged to check with Tunisian consular services in their countries about visa and passport requirements and fees.

Presentation of the location of the dig organised by AFS Tunisia

August
2nd-23rd,
2014

Kelibia is located at the southern tip of the Cap Bon, this peninsula in the north eastern part of Tunisia stretching like a hand towards Sicily and Italy. In Antiquity, the Greeks called the Cap Bon, "Kalos Akroterios" which means "the nice promontory" truly a garden overlooking the sea, from its tip (Ras Adar), in clear days, you can see not only the Italian Islands of the Straight of Sicily i.e. Pantelleria and Lampedusa but also Sicily itself nearly at 130 miles.

The Greeks called Kelibia "Aspis" or "Clipea" –the shield- referring to the shape of the territory in which it is located. With a position of such great geo-strategic importance, Kelibia quickly caught the attention of the Phoenicians who established there a trading post which later with the Carthaginians, was to become one of the most important cities: Kerkouane which is today the most beautiful testimony of the Carthaginian and Punic civilization.

On top of the Kelibia hill, the first fortress was built by the Carthaginians. During the first Punic war in 255 BC, the Romans laid siege to Kelibia and from it invaded the rest of the territory. During the Roman period, Kelibia progressively expanded to be granted the status of a "Municipe". In the VIth century AD, during the Byzantines rule of Tunisia, a new fortress was built on the remains of the older one with always the same intention, that of capitalizing the strategic value of the site overlooking the straight of Sicily and the Eastern Mediterranean Basin. In the XIth century AD, the Ziride (the 3rd Muslim dynasty to rule Tunisia) integrated the Byzantine fortress in another larger fortification they built; in the XIVth Century, the same scenario occurred and the Ziride fortress was further strengthened and enlarged by the Hafside; a couple of centuries later, it was the theatre of the Ottoman Hispanic struggle over the Mediterranean. This fortress is today still standing witnessing to the rich history of the city.

Kelibia today is a city of about 50 thousand inhabitants living mainly from 2 key agricultural activities (vegetables growing and grapes) along with fishing, the Kelibia harbor being one of the most active of the country. Industry is essentially agro alimentary and textile. Tourism is developing capitalizing the rich natural and cultural heritage of the area and the Beautiful El Mansourah beach which has made Kelibia one of the most attractive summer resorts in the Cap Bon but of the entire country. Beautiful Marine life and landscapes attract diving amateurs.

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APPLICATION FORM

Please attach 2 Photos

Nom/Family Name: Prénom/first Name:
Date et lieu de Naissance /Date and place of birth :
Nationalité/Citizenship:
Profession/Profession:
Occupation:
Adresse/Mailing Address:
Telephone N: Fax N:
E-Mail:
Niveau et branche d'instruction/Level and field of Education:

Connaissances des Langues/Language proficiency

	Bonne/good	Moyenne/fair
1st Lang:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2nd Lang:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3rd Lang:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Avez-vous jamais pris part à des activités d'archéologie ou de protection de l'environnement ou des domaines proches/Have you ever been involved in archeological or environment protection activities or in related fields?

Oui/yes Non/no

Si oui, expliquer/if yes please explain

Quels sont vos hobbies/what are your hobbies

Si vous jouez d'un instrument, amenez le/if you play a musical instrument please bring it with you)

Avez-vous des restrictions de santé ou diététiques /Do you have any health or dietary restrictions

Oui/yes Non/no

Si oui, expliquer/if yes please explain

Serez-vous assuré? /will you contract an insurance : Oui/yes
Non/no

Avez-vous déjà visité la Tunisie/Have you ever visited Tunisia
Oui/yes Non/no

Etes-vous membre de l'AFS dans votre pays/Are you member of the AFS org. in your country?
Oui/yes Non/no

Comptez vous venir en avance ou rentrer longtemps après le camp/Are you planning to come to Tunisia in advance or to stay longer
Oui/yes Non/no

Si oui, expliquer/if yes please explain

Comment viendrez-vous/How will you travel
Specifiez les dates de voyage aller/retour si déjà, vous les connaissez/Travel dates :

Veillez donner en quelques phrases une description de votre personnalité ainsi que de vos motivations et attentes par rapport à cette activité/ Please write a short statement describing your personality and mentioning on your motivations and expectations of this activity:

Les candidats sont priés de noter qu'en vue d'assurer le bon déroulement et le succès du camps, l'AFS Tunisie demandera aux participants de respecter les termes d'un code de conduite qui leur sera proposé consacrant les principes du dialogue, de la coopération amicale, de la discipline et du respect des règles de l'AFS et des institutions partenaires.
/When applying to this program, please note that in order to ensure the good organization and the success of the camp, AFS Tunisia insists on the respect of a code of conduct which embodies the principles of dialogue, friendly cooperation, discipline and respect of the rules of AFS and of the partner institutions.

L'AFS Tunisie s'oblige à souscrire à une assurance pour responsabilité civile pour la période du 2 au 23 Août 2014, étant entendu qu'il revient au participant et à sa famille de souscrire à tout type d'assurance additionnelle qu'ils jugent utile/ AFS Tunisia will have a civil responsibility insurance for the period August 2nd-23rd,2014, the participant and his family remain fully responsible of subscribing to any type of complementary insurance.