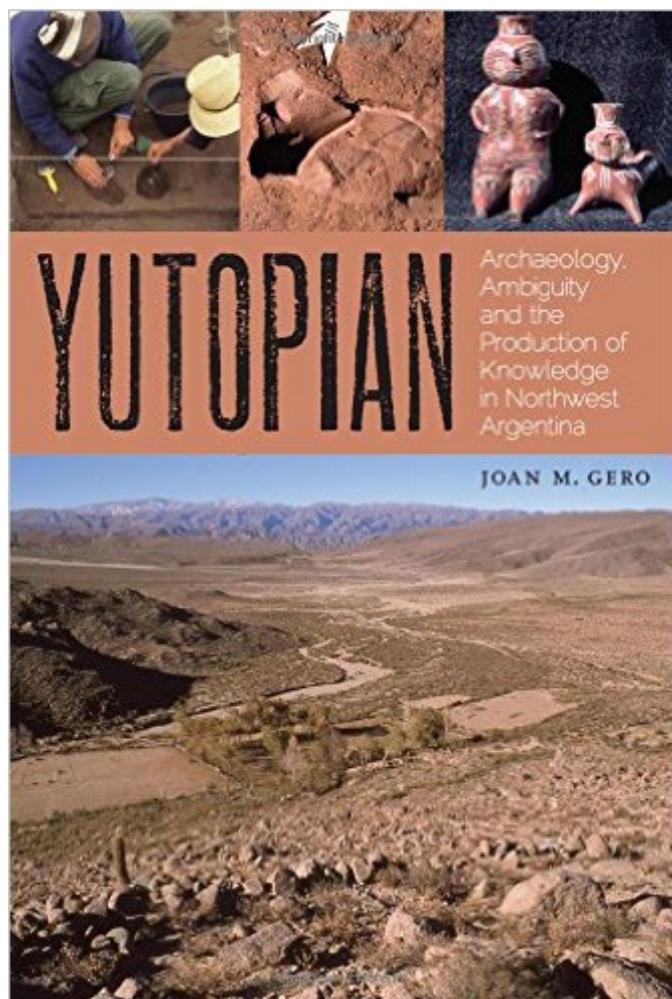


The book was found

# **Yutopian: Archaeology, Ambiguity, And The Production Of Knowledge In Northwest Argentina (William And Bettye Nowlin Series In Art, History, And Culture)**



## Synopsis

Around 400 BCE, inhabitants of the Southern Andes took up a sedentary lifestyle that included the practice of agriculture. Settlements were generally solitary or clustered structures with walled agricultural fields and animal corrals, and the first small villages appeared in some regions. Surprisingly, people were also producing and circulating exotic goods: polychrome ceramics, copper and gold ornaments, bronze bracelets and bells. To investigate the apparent contradiction between a lack of social complexity and the broad circulation of elaborated goods, archaeologist Joan Gero co-directed a binational project to excavate the site of Yutopian, an unusually well-preserved Early Formative village in the mountains of Northwest Argentina. In Yutopian, Gero describes how archaeologists from the United States and Argentina worked with local residents to uncover the lifeways of the earliest sedentary people of the region. Gero foregrounds many experiential aspects of archaeological fieldwork that are usually omitted in the archaeological literature: the tedious labor and constraints of time and personnel, the emotional landscape, the intimate ethnographic settings and Andean people, the socio-politics, the difficult decisions and, especially, the role that ambiguity plays in determining archaeological meanings. Gero's unique approach offers a new model for the site report as she masterfully demonstrates how the decisions made in conducting any scientific undertaking play a fundamental role in shaping the knowledge produced in that project.

## Book Information

Series: William and Bettye Nowlin Series in Art, History, and Culture

Paperback: 396 pages

Publisher: University of Texas Press (November 18, 2015)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0292772025

ISBN-13: 978-0292772021

Product Dimensions: 6 x 1 x 9 inches

Shipping Weight: 12.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: Be the first to review this item

Best Sellers Rank: #1,082,869 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #133 in Books > History > Americas > South America > Argentina #2549 in Books > History > Historical Study & Educational Resources > Archaeology #100348 in Books > Science & Math

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Yutopian: Archaeology, Ambiguity, and the Production of Knowledge in Northwest Argentina

(William and Bettye Nowlin Series in Art, History, and Culture) From the Mines to the Streets: A Bolivian Activist's Life (William and Bettye Nowlin Series in Art, History, and Culture) Argentina, Un Mundo de Paisajes =: Argentina, a World of Landscapes = Argentina, Um Mundo de Paisagens (Spanish, English and Portuguese Edition) The Ultimate Argentina Cookbook - Cooking Argentina Food the Easy Way: Over 25 Delicious Argentina Recipes The Complete Works of William Billings: The Psalm-Singer's Amusement (1781) (Billings, William//Complete Works of William Billings) Modern Radio Production: Production Programming & Performance (Wadsworth Series in Broadcast and Production) Organising Knowledge: Taxonomies, Knowledge and Organisational Effectiveness (Chandos Knowledge Management) These Mysterious People: Shaping History and Archaeology in a Northwest Coast Community (McGill-Queen's Native and Northern) Historia de la inmigracion en la Argentina/ History of Immigration in Argentina (Spanish Edition) Sugar Cane Capitalism and Environmental Transformation: An Archaeology of Colonial Nevis, West Indies (Caribbean Archaeology and Ethnohistory) Central American and West Indian Archaeology: Being an Introduction to the Archaeology of the States of Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and the West Indies (Classic Reprint) Aztec Archaeology and Ethnohistory (Cambridge World Archaeology) Eldorado!: The Archaeology of Gold Mining in the Far North (Historical Archaeology of the American West) Gerasa and the Decapolis: A "Virtual Island" in Northwest Jordan (Duckworth Debates in Archaeology) Daylighting Design in the Pacific Northwest (Sustainable Design Solutions from the Pacific Northwest) Cataclysms on the Columbia: A Layman's Guide to the Features Produced by the Catastrophic Bretz Flood in the Pacific Northwest (Scenic Trips to the Northwest's Geologic Past, No. 2) Northwest Exposures: A Geologic Story of the Northwest Northwest Foraging: The Classic Guide to Edible Plants of the Pacific Northwest The Laird of Fort William: William McGillivray and the North West Company Word Virus: The William S. Burroughs Reader (Burroughs, William S.)

[Dmca](#)