

Institute of Human Origins

2022 Year-End Letter

Dear Friend of the Institute of Human Origins

IHO would like to thank you for your interest, engagement, and support this year. Like so many of you, our band of scientists, students, and support staff have weathered 2022 in a bit of a recovery, rebuild, and readapt mode—something that has been the hallmark of our species' ability to thrive. Recovering from covid disruptions and challenges; rebuilding our offices and labs from our move to a spectacular new lab, office, and teaching building; and readapting to new daily routines from it all. And, we hope that this leads to renewal and rejuvenation!

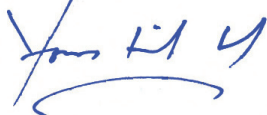
For IHO, there is a silver—or rather gold—lining that will be moving us forward in 2023—gold for IHO's celebration in 2024 of the 50th anniversary of the discovery of our "founding fossil" Lucy! That means celebrating 50 years of groundbreaking fossil discoveries and exploration in human origins science with you, our supporters, and the global community, education and scientific partners, and other sponsors. So for 2023, while our scientists continue to move their incredible research projects forward, we will also be planning for exciting programs for the entire 2024 year!

This year, a full **Research Review** will arrive in your mailbox and inbox, along with details about a new membership program that we are launching—just the first of the new programming we are excited to present before the Golden Anniversary! If you are currently a donor, you will see new benefits from your engagement with IHO. If you are not currently a donor, we hope that you will consider participating in the program, which will yield new benefits during the anniversary year.

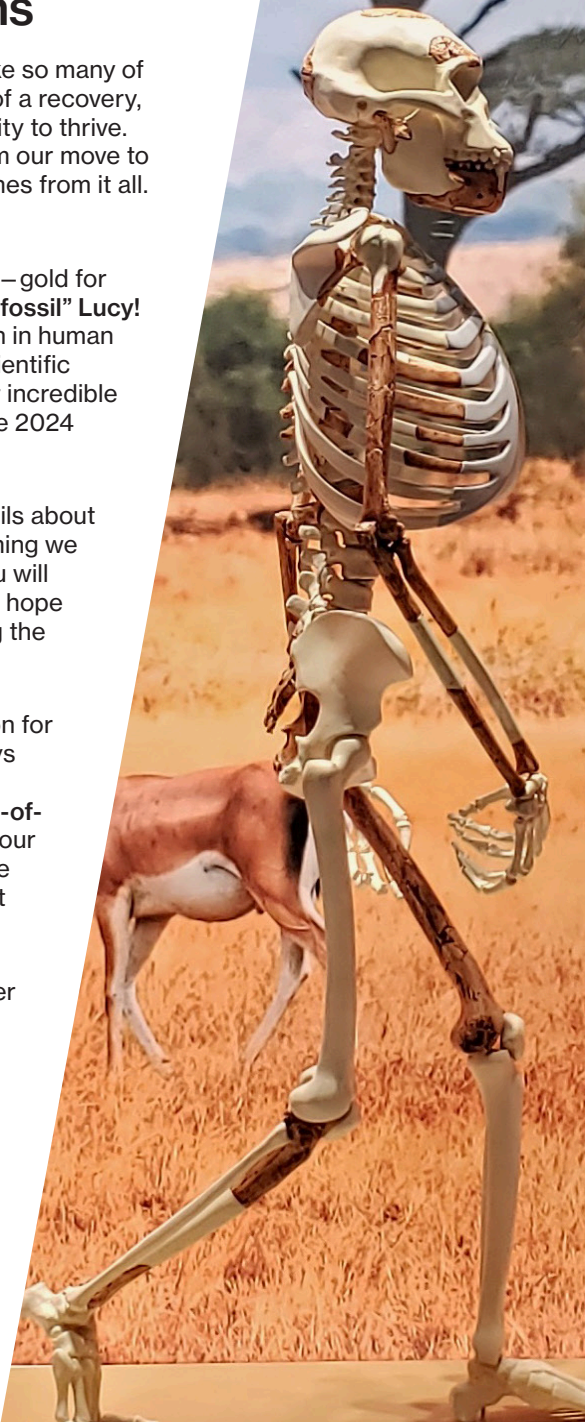
More than ever though, IHO relies on the generosity of donors, like you, whose passion for the study of human origins creates the strong "public/private partnership" that it enjoys with the university. **Please consider the opportunities for expanded public outreach, scholarships for students, and seed money for cutting-edge research that your end-of-year investment will provide.** And then join the quest for exploration and discovery of our origins by supporting IHO with your generous charitable gift. Enclosed you will find the Gift/Pledge form for your convenience. Or you can go to IHO's secure giving website at <https://asufoundation.org/IHO>.

I thank you in advance for your support and look forward to hearing from you. Together we can advance the understanding of our origins!

Best wishes for the New Year,



Yohannes Haile-Selassie PhD, Director and Professor



Invest in student scholarships

with the Institute of Human Origins

If you would like to support a student scholarship program with your year-end gift, IHO has several established and new scholarships that would welcome your investment.

Kaye Reed Scholarship Endowment

This fund was started by an IHO Research Council member, Elaine Reiss, to support women in science. Kaye Reed is one of IHO's senior scientists, who has had a groundbreaking career in paleoanthropology. This fund has not yet reached the minimum \$25,000 for an endowment, but we are really close! Please help put it over the top!

Bill Kimbel Impact Fund

Bill Kimbel was IHO's director from 2009 to 2021 and passed away in 2022. This impact fund will initially support a lecture series in Bill's honor, but with enough donations, we can also make this fund stretch to support a graduate student towards their PhD—something Bill spent his entire career doing!

Donald Johanson Paleoanthropological Research Endowment

This scholarship was initially fully funded by Don Johanson to inspire and contribute to training the next generation of human origins scientists. Adding to this scholarship will help to support more students in the field and lab.

Elizabeth H. Harmon Research Endowment

Elizabeth was IHO's second PhD graduate. This fund was started by her parents when Elizabeth passed away in 2009 after she had begun a successful academic career. This scholarship funds students doing fieldwork in Africa.


To donate directly to any one of these scholarships, go online to


<https://iho.asu.edu/support-IHO/scholarships>


Hadar Field School 2009, Benjamin Reed image


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And don't forget about visiting IHO's website for school-aged students—Ask An Anthropologist—and connect with the Facebook page for “Dr. Anthropology”!

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