Pompeii, destroyed by the volcano Mount Vesuvius in the year 79 C.E., has long occupied a privileged place in modern imaginings of the Roman past. Beyond the city’s well-known monuments lies a well of data that has barely begun to be tapped. This talk will introduce the research program of Tulane University’s Pompeii I.14 Project, an excavation that brings the most cutting-edge archaeological technologies to stratigraphic exploration below the floors, streets and sidewalks buried by Vesuvius.

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