



Discovering our Past

Archaeological Research Seminar 2008

Room A109, Newman Building Thursday, 11th December, 9-5pm

UCD School of Archaeology's Research Seminar aims to communicate knowledge about the School's wide-ranging international and national research projects in 2008.

UCD Archaeology staff and students are engaged in archaeological research projects around the world; in SE Asia, the Mediterranean and northwest Europe, ranging in date from the Mesolithic to the Post-medieval period.

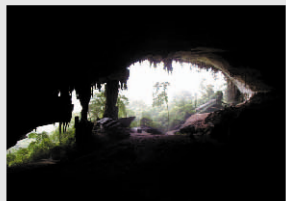
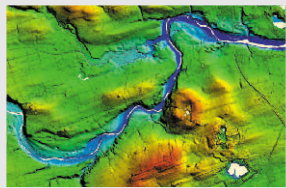
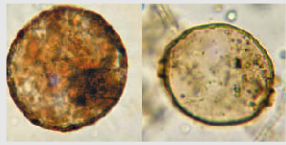
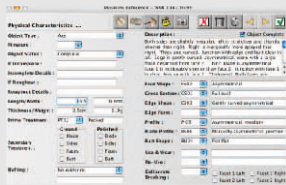
UCD School of Archaeology has three major Research Themes each comprised of active Research Groups undertaking a range of projects. The seminar papers are arranged in sessions according to these themes: **Footprints of Ireland** (chair: Prof. Gabriel Cooney), **Landscape and Environment** (chair: Dr Aidan O'Sullivan) and **Materialising Identities** (chair: Prof. Muiris O'Sullivan).

This year, the seminar will mostly focus on externally-funded (e.g. INSTAR, RIA Committee for Archaeology, Heritage Council grants, IRCHSS, etc) research projects, but there will also be lectures on UCD-funded projects and Post-doctoral scholarships (e.g. John Hume Institute). Staff and postgraduate research project posters will also be on display.

All UCD School of Archaeology staff, PhD, MLitt and MA students will be present along with representatives of our funding authorities and our external collaborators and colleagues in the profession.

Come and join us for a Christmas Archaeology Research Seminar!

Places are limited, if you would like to attend, please email School Research Co-ordinator at Aidan.OSullivan@ucd.ie or phone him at 01-7168252 to reserve a place.



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Thursday December 11th 2008, 9am-5pm

Welcome

9.00 - 9.15 Registration and Arrival

9.15 - 9.30 Welcome and Review of UCD School of Archaeology's research in 2008

Footprints of Ireland

(chair: Prof. Gabriel Cooney)

9.30 - 9.50

The Mesolithic/Neolithic transition and archaeological excavations at Belderrig, Co. Mayo

(RIA Committee for Archaeology)

Dr Graeme Warren

UCD School of Archaeology

9.50 - 10.10

Mesolithic/Neolithic migrations and the beginnings of agriculture in Ireland. 'Till the cows came home...but who brought them?'

(John Hume Institute)

Dr Thomas Kador,

UCD School of Archaeology, John Hume Institute Post Doctoral Research Fellow

10.10 - 10.30

IRON AGE IRELAND: Finding an Invisible People

(Heritage Council)

Dr Katharina Becker and Dr John Ó Néill

UCD School of Archaeology

10.30-10.50

INSTAR Early Medieval Archaeology Project (EMAP): dealing with data and enabling knowledge

Dr Aidan O'Sullivan, Dr Finbar McCormick, Dr Thom Kerr, Lorcan Harney, Dr Robert Sands and Conor McDermott, Dr John Ó Néill, Matt Seaver and Rob O'Hara

(INSTAR & Heritage Council)

UCD School of Archaeology; School of Geography, Archaeology and Palaeoecology, QUB; CRDS, ACS

10.50-11.00 Discussion

11.00 - 11.30 Tea/Coffee and Posters

Landscape and Environment

(chaired by Dr Aidan O'Sullivan)

11.30 – 11.40

Climate Change and the Adoption of Agriculture in Ireland

Dr Naomi Holmes, Dr Graeme Warren and Dr Stephen Davis

(IRCHSS)

UCD School of Archaeology

11.40 – 12.00

Regional modelling of Pleistocene-Holocene palaeoenvironmental change, sea level rise and cultural adaptation in archaeologically important landscapes on Palawan Island, Philippines.

(Various)

Dr Helen Lewis

UCD School of Archaeology

12.00 – 12.20

Viking houses and transit vans! Comparative studies of modern and archaeological insect assemblages

(Heritage Council)

Dr Stephen Davis,

UCD School of Archaeology

12.20-12.40

The Cretan Archaeological Landscapes Project: Models of Healing and places of healing in Bronze Age Crete

(UCD & IRCHSS)

Dr Alan Peatfield & Dr Christine Morris

UCD School of Archaeology & Departments of Classics, Trinity College Dublin

12.40-1.00pm

The INSTAR Boyne Catchment GIS Project

(INSTAR & Heritage Council)

Dr Helen Lewis, Dr Colman Gallagher, Dr Jonathan Turner, Dr Stephen Davis, Wesley Van Breda and Gary Mulrooney

UCD School of Archaeology & UCD School of Geography

1.00 – 1.15pm Discussion

1.15 – 2.10 Lunch

During the lunch break attendees are invited to view the research posters on display and to discuss the projects with the authors

Materialising Identities

(Chaired by Prof. Muiris O'Sullivan)

2.15 – 2.30

Who are we? Profiling the Archaeological Profession in a Time of Change: Discovering the Archaeologists of Europe (Ireland)

(Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland; Heritage Council; EU Leonardo Da Vinci Programme)

Conor McDermott, Patrizia La Piscopia, Margaret Gowen

UCD School of Archaeology; Institute of Archaeologists of Ireland

2.30 – 2.50

The gifts of stone: The Irish Stone Axe Project

(IRCHSS & Heritage Council)

Prof. Gabriel Cooney, Dr Steve Mandal and Emmett O'Keeffe

UCD School of Archaeology and CRDS

2.50 – 3.10

The origins and social implications of land enclosure on Bronze Age Dartmoor: British Academy-funded archaeological excavations at Shovel Down, England

(British Academy)

Dr Joanna Brück, Dr Helen Lewis, Dr Stephen Davis, UCD School of Archaeology

Dr Robert Johnston, Dept. of Archaeology, University of Sheffield, Dr Ralph Fyfe, Department of Geography, University of Plymouth, Dr Helen Wickstead, London

3.10-3.30 Coffee Break and Posters

3.30-3.50

Warfare, identity and "Status Cymbals? Shields of the Irish Bronze Age"

(IRCHSS)

Dr Barry Molloy

UCD School of Archaeology IRCHSS Post-Doctoral Scholar

3.50 - 4.10

Medieval pilgrimage in the Wicklow Mountains and archaeological excavations at Templeteenaun, Co. Wicklow

(RIA Committee for Archaeology)

Dr Aidan O'Sullivan, Dr Graeme Warren, Conor McDermott and Dr John Ó Néill

UCD School of Archaeology

4.10pm-4.30pm

The archaeologist as *flâneur* in the dystopian city

(UCD)

Prof. Tadhg O'Keeffe, UCD School of Archaeology

4.30 – 4.40pm Session Discussion

4.40 - 5.00pm Final Discussion and Prospects for 2009

5.00pm Formal end of seminar

5-7pm All welcome to a wine reception and the School's Christmas Gathering in UCD Common Room, Newman Building, UCD