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Assessing the Historicity of the Trojan War: Excavations at Troy 1988-2010

Dr. Brian Rose
Department of Classical Studies, University of Pennsylvania: James B. Pritchard
Professor of Archaeology

Sunday September 18th, 2016 from 2:00 – 4:00pm
DeNault Auditorium in Grimm Hall, Concordia University, Irvine

In 1988 archaeologists from the University of Cincinnati and the University of Tübingen, Germany, began new excavations at Troy with the intent of examining all phases of habitation- from the Bronze Age through the Byzantine period. This lecture presents the results of the Bronze Age, Greek, and Roman excavations at the site during the last 24 years. Work has concentrated primarily on the theater, temple of Athena, the Bouleuterion or Council House, and the Sanctuary of the Samothracian Gods. The Bronze Age fortifications and Roman houses in the Lower City have also been extensively investigated. Excavation thus far has clarified the nature of habitation at the site during the late Bronze Age (15-12th centuries B.C.), as well as the rise in the city's fortunes during the reign of Augustus and his Julio-Claudian successors. The relationship between the recent discoveries at the site and the Homeric tradition are also considered.

Directions to the DeNault Auditorium, in the Robert Grimm Hall, at Concordia University



Concordia University

Take I-405 or I-5 freeway to the Jeffrey/University exit.

Directions from Jeffrey:

1. Take Jeffrey south, which becomes University Drive.
2. Turn left at Ridgeline Drive.
3. Within 0.1 mile, turn right onto Concordia East and pick up a parking pass at the Gatehouse.
4. Proceed to top of hill. Park in Visitor Parking lot only.

Lectures are free to members and students. A donation of \$5 is requested from nonmembers. Members may bring a guest. Refreshments will be served. Most programs will be held at Concordia University in the DeNault Auditorium in the Robert Grimm Hall, Irvine, CA. For membership information, contact Margee Dean, Membership Chair, at (714)508-0553 or <mailto:deanh20polo@gmail.com>



AIA Orange County Society 25th Anniversary Celebration and Grant Fundraiser

Saturday, September 17th, 2016, 2:00pm – 5:00pm

At the home of David and Ruth Seigle: 2046 North Flower Street, Santa Ana, CA
Suggested Donation per person: \$50; funds to support 2017 AIA-OC Society Grants.

Please make checks out to **AIA-OC** and mail to:
Lianne Oakes
AIA-OC Treasurer
1400 Quail Street
Newport Beach CA 92660
or call her at 949-476-2572 to use a credit card.

Twenty-five years ago, Norma Kershaw founder of the AIA Long Island Society moved to Orange County. After some time, she was convinced to do it again and founded our Orange County Society. Since that time, Norma has had many roles and continues to be a driving force in the success of this organization.

We will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the society, and honor our founder, beginning with wine and cheese experts educating us on great pairings, as well as tastings. And we will finish with cake and coffee.

As an added treat, Dr. Brian Rose, our lecturer on Sunday, will be joining us at this event where he has promised to share how new discoveries during his recent excavations at Gordion may provide the answers as to why Midas acquired the moniker “King with the Golden Touch.”

Please join us on September 17th at 2:00 PM to celebrate our Twenty-five years as a Society. We’d love to see you in person where we can share our love of archaeology and world cultures. **Please RSVP by September 10th** using the evite sent, or send an email to ocarchaeology@yahoo.com with “RSVP” in the subject line with the names of those attending in the body.

In addition to celebrating our founding, this is also our annual fundraiser for our 2017 educational grant program and we appreciate your support. And if you can’t make it, but would still like to support our grant program, we welcome any amount sent to the address above.

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If you are not receiving our announcements by e-mail and wish to do so, send us an e-mail to be added to our list:

ocarchaeology@yahoo.com



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AIA-OC Members:

First and foremost, thank you for your continued support of archaeology, the Archaeological Institute of America, and specifically the Orange County Society. We hope you have been able to come to some of our outstanding lectures this past season, and we hope to see you at many more when our new lecture season starts in September. We have some fantastic speakers lined up who will share new discoveries and new learnings on sites around the world.

Your membership in AIA is important in many ways. First, it funds two or three speakers annually for our lecture series. Second, it allows the national organization to accomplish what we, individually, could not through site preservation and international archaeological support. Finally, the strength of our membership gives a voice to our shared cultural past in impacting domestic and international policy. Locally, it is through the generous support of our members that allows us to continue to operate. This includes uninspiring, but necessary operating costs such as insurance, and the more visible and rewarding benefits such as funding all our other speakers through the year, and supporting our grant program for southern California graduate students. If you'd like to sponsor a speaker, or make a contribution to help support one, or make a donation to support our grant program, please visit our website, aia-oc.org, and click on the 'Support' link, or email our Vice President and Program Chair, David Seigle, and our Treasurer, Lianne Oakes.

In addition to financial support, we are always looking for members who are willing to donate their time and expertise. While we have a number of academics with backgrounds in archaeology and related fields, we also have members with backgrounds in marketing, organizational development, fundraising, and many others. If you'd like to become more involved, we always need help with fundraising, event/trip planning, our grant program, and others. If you have some time and interest, please reach out to me directly at a meeting, or via email at steve_jacques@yahoo.com.

I'd like to look back for a moment and thank our previous leadership. At our April business meeting, we voted on new officers, who were installed at our May meeting, and our previous officers' two-year terms ended. As President of our society for the last four years, Ruth DeNault helped grow membership, oversaw our first student grant program and ensured we had a great venue to host our lectures. Chris Hurst-Loeffler, Vice-President and Program Chair, found us great lecturers and kept us current with AIA national. Denise Redver-Higgins, our Secretary, was instrumental in recording the minutes of our meetings and Lianne Oakes, Treasurer, ensured our solvency. We all owe these leaders our thanks for keeping our society healthy and growing.

Now, as we look forward to our upcoming season, we have already secured a number of speakers for fall and next year. See below for details. I hope you all are able to come, share in some fun, meet society members and speak one-on-one with Dr. Rose and other professional archaeologists in attendance. But if you are unable to make it, I hope you will still support the great grant programs we are offering and make a donation.

I hope you've all had an enjoyable summer so far and I look forward to seeing you on at our 25th Anniversary party September 17th or at an upcoming lecture.

All the best,
Steve Jacques
President AIA Orange County Society





Lecture and Event Program for Winter 2016

All lectures will be held at 2 PM at the DeNault Auditorium, unless otherwise noted.
See page 1 for directions.

September 17, 2016

AIA-OC 25th Anniversary Party and 2017 Grant Fundraiser

Hosted by David and Ruth Seigle at their home: 2046 North Flower St, Santa Ana 92706

With Special Guests:

Norma Kershaw, Founder of AIA, Orange County Society, and

Dr. Brian Rose, Pritchard Professor of Classical Studies, University of Pennsylvania

From 2:00-5:00 PM we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Orange County Society of the AIA. We will honor Norma Kershaw, our society founder, and get special treat from Dr. Brian Rose, Pritchard Professor of Classical Studies at Penn who has recently excavated at Gordion, King Midas' capital. He will reveal his discovery of how Midas earned the epithet, "The King with the Golden Touch". This party is also our annual fundraiser for the AIA-OC 2017 Archaeology Student Grants for Southern California graduate students studying archaeology or similar disciplines. Suggested Donation: \$50. For more information, including location please see the above article on the 25th anniversary celebration.

September 18, 2016



Dr. Brian Rose

AIA Joukowsky Lecture

Pritchard Professor of Classical Studies,
University of Pennsylvania

***"Assessing the Historicity of the Trojan War:
Excavations at Troy 1988-2010"***

Dr Brian Rose will summarize 25 years of excavation and analysis of Troy. He will speak on the relationship between recent discoveries and the Homeric tradition.

October 15, 2016



**International Archaeology Day: From Egypt before the
Pharaohs to the Future of Archaeology**

1:30pm, Bowers Museum, Santa Ana CA.

Co-sponsored by ARCE-OC and AIA-OC

Kara Cooney, PhD

Associate Professor of Ancient Egyptian Art & Architecture, Chair of
the Department of Near Eastern Languages & Cultures, University
of California Los Angeles

***"Predynastic Palettes in their Archaeological and Historical
Context"***



The Predynastic period of ancient Egypt, the one of consolidation of power and the nascent kingship, was recorded on stone palettes. Long discussed and debated among Egyptologists, these palettes were first used for make-up but eventually became ceremonial, even magical in their function. Dr. Cooney will discuss the Predynastic palettes in context, from the archaeological contexts in which they were discovered to the historical context of the emergence of kingship in Egypt, which they recorded and disappeared when it was fully established.

Dr. Kara Cooney is an internationally esteemed scholar specializing in craft production, coffin studies, and economies in the ancient world. In addition, she co-curated Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaoh exhibition at LACMA (2005), produced and hosted a comparative archaeology TV series, *Out of Egypt* (2009), and authored “The Woman Who Would Be King: Hatshepsut’s Rise to Power in Ancient Egypt” (2014).



Hans Barnard, MD PhD

Assistant Researcher, Cotsen Institute of Archaeology; Assist. Adjunct Professor, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, University of California, Los Angeles
“Archaeology of the Eastern Desert”

The arid region between the Nile Valley and the Red Sea, known as the Eastern Desert, has been inhabited by groups of pastoral nomads during most of its history. Their relation with the settled population in the Nile Valley had long periods of silence in the historical and archaeological records, punctuated by short periods of increased visibility. The Eastern Desert has an interesting history on its own but its study is troubled by many, often difficult issues. Dr. Barnard will provide an overview of the state of the field.

Dr. Hans Barnard is an archaeological surveyor, photographer and ceramic analyst. He has worked on sites in Armenia, Chile, Egypt, Iceland, Panama, Peru, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia and Yemen. He is currently involved in a project in Peru and Egypt (the Fayum Oasis).



Kate Pointer, guest speaker (Student; age 10)
“New Techniques *of Archaeological Technology*”

Ms. Pointer will discuss current technology employed in archaeological investigation in both the field and lab.



November 6, 2016

Ms. Cinthia Marlene Campos

MA candidate & 2016 AIA-OC Grant Recipient.

“Constructing an Archaeological Narrative on Cave Use in Michoacan, Mexico”



Ms. Campos, a 2016 AIA-OC Grant recipient, will discuss the results of her summer’s work in the Turicato Sierra of Mexico. During pre-Colombian times, the area fell within the Tarascan state, a little- studied rival of the Aztecs. The Turicato Cave Reconnaissance Project investigates sacred landscape, in particular ritual cave use.

December 9, 2016

AIA-OC Holiday Party

AIA-OC invites all members and their guests to join in our holiday party at the Costa Mesa Country Club for dinner and entertainment. Remember that exotic outfit or those bizarre bangles you bought during your foreign travels? Up to now you’ve had nowhere to wear them. Now you do! Come to the AIA-OC holiday party to show your costumes and share stories. Joining us as special guests will be the Beazells, who have acquired clothing and accessories from cultures around the world and who will give us a brief preview of their collection. We are trying to arrange a date to visit their fantastic collection at their home early in 2017. Cost: \$50, 6:30-10:00 PM. Costumes encouraged, but not required.

January 15, 2017

Mr. Jacob Bongers

PhD Candidate & 2017 AIA-OC Grant Recipient.

“Inca Conquest and Local Mortuary Practice in the Mid-Chincha Valley, Peru: New Chronological Perspectives.”



Mr. Jacob Bongers, a 2016 AIA-OC Grant Recipient, will describe his past summer’s results. His work in the Chincha Valley of Peru investigates how and to what degree Incan imperial control changed the customs of the conquered people.

February 12, 2017

Dr. Justin Walsh

Associate Professor of Art History and Archaeology,
Chapman University.

“Update on his field work in Castulo, Spain”

Dr. Walsh will describe the implications of his excavations in Castulo, Spain. He notes that ancient Greek pottery can be found in museum collections around the world. Most of this pottery was actually found far from where it was made. It was exported over long distances, across the Mediterranean, and even over the Alps in Europe. This talk will describe the wide range of contexts in which Greek pottery has been found and it will suggest different ways for understanding just why people who were not Greek (and probably knew nothing about Greece) might have wanted to acquire these pots.



March 12, 2017

Dr. Kent Bramlett

Associate Professor of Archaeology and the History of Antiquity,
La Sierra University.

***“Ethnicity in the Archaeological Record: A View from Tall
al‘Umayri and other Recent Excavations”***

Dr. Bramlett will discuss recent finds in the Biblical area south of Amman, Jordan. The stratum investigated, circa 1200 B.C., represents a culture existent at what seems to be the beginning of Israel and Ammon.

April 23, 2017

Dr. Peter Mills

AIA Joukowsky Lecture

Professor of Anthropology, University of Hawai‘i at Hilo

***“Discussions on the proposed construction of the large
astronomical telescopes on Mauna Kea”***

Dr. Mills will discuss the controversy over the proposed construction of the large astronomical telescopes on Mauna Kea, a mountain that contains the largest known prehistoric stone tool quarry in the Pacific Basin. His lecture also describes how archaeologists have employed analytic methods to study this quarry to better understand Native Hawaiians’ transport of stone tools throughout the Hawaiian island chain.

May 21, 2017

Mr. Kevin Smith

PhD Candidate at UC Davis

***“Experimental Archaeology to explore the crafting and use of tools
in the Channel Islands”***

Mr. Smith is a former student of Dr. Rene Vellanoweth, a professor at CSULA, who spoke to the AIA-OC on May 15, 2016 on his work in the Channel Islands. As a footnote to his May 2016 lecture, Professor Vellanoweth described the mysterious crescent shaped stone objects found on the Channel Islands, in California and around the West. Mr. Smith will describe how he used experimental archaeology to explore the crafting and use of these tools.

Lecture Support

Our program committee has planned an interesting and varied series of lectures. Speaker stipends, transportation and accommodation amounts vary. We support these with society funds. We welcome you to sponsor or co-sponsor a lecture for \$300. Tax-deductible contributions to our society can be made payable to **AIA-OC** and be sent directly to:

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AIA-OC Trips and Tours

PETROGLYPH TOUR TO CORN SPRINGS, RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Meeting Place:
TA Travel Center, 46155 Dillon
Rd, Coachella, CA 92236

Date/Time:
Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 8:30
AM



An exciting AIA tour is coming this fall season. AIA is hosting a petroglyph excursion to Corn Springs in Riverside County (17 miles east of Desert Center off Fwy I-10). Local archeologist Britt Wilson from the Coachella Valley Archeology Society (CVAS) will host an informative tour. No 4-wheel drive is required although there is an 8-mile well-graded dirt road to the site/campgrounds. This two to three hour field trip day will end around 2:00-3:00PM for an easy return home into Orange County on the same day. The petroglyphs are accessible by very short walks.

Interested attendees are requested to contribute a \$30/person fee which partly goes to the host support CVAS. Participants must arrange their own transportation to the meeting area and return home. The TA Travel Center in Coachella is approximately two hours from Orange County. Everyone should meet at 8:30 AM at the TA parking lot. We will have an additional hour drive to the site. Bring plenty of water and a sack lunch.

Suggestion: reserve a motel or campground in nearby Indio for the night before. Some individuals may wish to carpool.

Reservation is requested: send check (payable: "AIA-OC") to Treasurer Lianne Oakes: 1400 Quail Street, #220, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

www.FAMSI.ORG

The website www.FAMSI.ORG is an arm of The Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies, Inc., now administered by the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA). The site is an invaluable tool for pre-Columbian studies of all sorts. Included are maps, pottery, introductions, reports of current research, along with other resources. Of special interest to those who attended Dr. Pohl's lecture are the links to the various codices he discussed. Members who are interested in Mesoamerica are encouraged to visit the site for further

information.

Visit the AIA-OC Web Site!
<http://aia-oc.org>

AIA-OC Newsletter

If you wish to submit newsworthy stories about current or past members, or other opportunities such as lectures and tours, please send an email to ocarchaeology@yahoo.com or Richard Plon, Editor of the Newsletter, (plonrich@cox.net) for consideration.



Other Events and Lectures

Thursday, September 8, 7:30 p.m., Irvine Ranch Water District Community Room, 15500 Sand Canyon Avenue; free **PCAS** (Pacific Coast Archaeological Society) hosts Dr. Jennifer Perry will give a lecture entitled: "The Archaeology of Interior Landscapes on the Channel Islands."

Saturday, September 10, 1:30 p.m., Bowers Museum, Norma Kershaw Auditorium **ARCE** presents Dr. Diana Craig-Patch, MET Museum, NYC will lecture on "On ancient Egyptian lapis lazuli jewelry..."

Saturday, October 8, 1:30 p.m., Bowers Museum, Norma Kershaw Auditorium **ARCE** presents Dr. David Anderson University of Wisconsin La Crosse "Egypt before the Pharoahs: Faunal Remains from the Predynastic Settlement at al-Mahasna Revisited"

Fowler Museum at UCLA – Andean Ceramics

Over 100 Andean ceramics, many donated by Herbert L Lucas, dating from ca. 100 to 800 CE are available for online viewers to observe and for research. Improved technology has allowed them to be digitized. Of course, one can visit the museum in person and see these and many additional exhibits. For additional information, go to

<http://www.fowler.ucla.edu/collections/andean-ceramics>



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