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### A NEWSLETTER &



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### President's Column

### Greetings everyone,

Winter has returned, except to our friends in the Southern hemisphere. It must be January. My calendar states with conviction that a new year has begun, but it never feels that way. For those of us accustomed to our academic calendar, the year feels more like it's half over. I am so used to the August—May academic calendar to organize life that I find myself referring to non-academic events according to that same class calendar (birthdays get celebrated in Summer Break, not in June or July, or the SCS is in Winter Break, not January, etc.). Does anyone else feel that way with their calendar? My point is, if we forget to wish you a Happy New Year, it's not that we are being rude or forgot you; it's just that our New Year feels as if it began when classes began. It has been a busy year already.

And of course, if the academic year is about halfcompleted then it must be time to think seriously about attending the AAH Annual Meeting. Eric Orlin and his colleagues are organizing a great event for us in Tacoma. The website is up and ready for action with a link in this newsletter and on our homepage. If you have not already started looking into travel plans, now is a good time to start. Eric is expanding the offerings this time with several optional workshops on outreach, diversity, and digital tools. Check the website for all the details. Untenured faculty members and students should apply for the subvention grants. If you have graduate students, then by all means encourage them to apply, please. Consider contributing to the Subvention fund if you are not applying. It is how we can afford to provide support for attendees. Contact Brian Messner about application questions or Denise Demetriou about contributions.

Of course, we have been active in other ways, too. As you may not know, we have numerous irons in the professional fire. The publication and bursary committees are not our only volunteers. We have committees and working groups focused on a variety of issues including diversity and conferences and archives. If you have ever wondered what our committees work on or who is on them, we have posted a handy list on the website so you can contact us easily. There will be opportunities we miss through not learning about them in time. A key point of a diverse membership is drawing on many perspectives. With that in mind, if you think there is something we are not doing but should do, then contact us, please. If you want to help out or feel there's something we could be doing better, then write to me, Denise, or any committee leader.

The AAH is also a community with shared interests where we can support each other.

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### AAH Annual Meeting 2016 University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA 5-7 May 2016

The 2016 AAH annual meeting will be hosted by the University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA, May 5-7, 2016. The organizer is Eric Orlin. All paper sessions will be held on campus in the Tahoma Room in Commencement Hall. The conference will be preceded by a hands-on workshop on using Digital Humanities in ancient history and an opening reception, both held on campus. There will be a closing banquet and lecture on "Nineteen Centuries of Ancient Glass" held at the Museum of Glass in downtown Tacoma, a short walk from the conference hotel.

#### PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

NB: Exact times and order of papers are subject to change.

Thursday, May 5, 2016

# 2:30-4:30 pm: Pre-Conference Workshop on the Use of Tools for Digital Humanities.

The workshop will primarily focus on tools for mapping, visualizing networks, and 3D imagery. There is no additional fee to attend the workshop, but <u>preregistration is required</u>. (Check the box on the <u>online</u> registration form to pre-register for the workshop).

5:00-7:00 pm: Opening Reception, University Club, University of Puget Sound

Friday, May 6, 2016

7:45 am: Coffee and pastries available

8:15-10:15: Session I - Ancient Mathematics and Science

Eunsoo Lee (Stanford University): *Reductio ad Absurdum* in Euclid's *Elements*: How Euclid compiled propositions

Willis Monroe (Brown University): The Micro-zodiac:

An Astrological Compendium in Hellenistic Babylonia

Elizabeth Hamm (St. Mary's College): Mechanical, Philosophical, and Mathematical Thinking in Ptolemaic Astronomy

Richard Talbert (UNC-Chapel Hill): Latitude and Worldview: The Evidence from Roman Portable Sundials

10:15-10:30: Coffee Break

## 10:30-12:30: Session II - Gender in Roman Historiography

Zachary Herz (Columbia University): Roman Same-Sex Marriage and the "Feminine Mystique"

Caitlin Gillespie (Temple University): Talk Like a Man: Oratory as Gendered Rivalry in the Late Republic

Eric Parks (Providence College): Lessons in Moderation: Agrippina and the Trial of Silius and Sosia

Julie Langford (University of South Florida): Good Women and Bad Men: Gendering Empresses' Advice to Emperors

12:30-1:45 pm: Lunch Break

**Lunchtime Workshop on "Increasing Diversity in the Ancient History Classroom"** 

#### 1:45-3:45: Session III - Art as an Historical Source

Bridget Sandhoff (University of Nebraska Omaha): Not the Classical Ideal: The Sporty Female Body in Etruscan Art

Liv Mariah Yarrow (Brooklyn College): Mass Production and Markers of Identity: A Prolegomenon to the Study of Glass Pastes in the Roman Republic

Joseph Kurz (Brown University): Numismatic Iconographies as Reflections of Cultural Imperial Interaction in Carthaginian Spain

Rachael Goldman (The College of New Jersey): The Social and Cultural Life of Jewish Freed Slaves in the Roman Empire

**3:45-4:00:** Coffee Break

4:00-5:30: Session IV - Slavery in the Ancient World

Deborah Kamen (University of Washington): Sexuality and Manumission of Maidservants

Jeffrey Stevens (University of Missouri): Breaking the Chains of Servitude: Roman Spectacle, Performance, and the Epigraphic Reclamation of Identity in an Arena of "Social Death"

William Owens (Ohio University): An Argument for the Existence of an Ancient Slave Narrative (of a Sort)

Saturday, May 7, 2016

7:45 am: Coffee and pastries available

# $8{:}15{-}10{:}15{:}$ Session V - Geographies of the Roman Empire

Andrew Riggsby (University of Texas at Austin): How to Think about Maps

Jason Morris (University of Leicester): Forma Facta Est: Agrimensores and the Power of Geography in the Roman World

Charles Bartlett (Harvard University): Imperialism and Fiscal Administration

Michele Renee Salzman (University of California, Riverside): Regionalization of Elites: Geography and the Decline and Fall of the Western Roman Empire of the Fifth Century

10:15-10:30: Coffee Break

### 10:30-12:30: Session VI - Space and Interstate Interaction

Eliza Gettel (Harvard University): Metageographies of Roman History: *provincia* versus *koinon*.

Patrick Kent (Michigan State University): Geography, Memory, and International Politics in the Pyrrhic War

Nikolaus Leo Overtoom (Louisiana State University): Evolving Perceptions of Space and Geography during the Third Mithridatic War

12:30-1:45: Lunch Break

# 1:45-3:15: Session VII: Popular Protest and Popular Violence in the Ancient World

Kaius Tuori (University of Helsinki): The Leniency of the People: Popular Protest to Severe Punishments in Comparative Perspective

Aaron L. Beek (University of Minnesota): Military Protests and Mutinies in the Republic Kathryn Steed (Carleton College): Popular Memory and Popular Protest: The Case of Amatius

Jonathan S. Perry (University of South Florida, Sarasota-Manatee): "Toil and Trouble:" Popular Demonstration and Official Response in the Ephesian "Bakers' Strike"

3:15-3:30: Break

3:30-4:30: Business Meeting

6:00-10:00 pm Closing Reception, Lecture and Banquet at the Museum of Glass

7:00 Bonnie Wright will speak on "Nineteen Centuries of Ancient Glass"

Bonnie is Curator of Education and Community Engagement at the Museum of Glass. She earned a B.A. in Classics from Bucknell University and an M.A. in Classical Archaeology from Florida State University

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#### ACCOMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Hotel Murano, conveniently located in the heart of downtown-Tacoma attractions and in the midst of the city's museums and restaurants. Honoring the heritage of Tacoma as the epicenter of the American glass art movement, the Hotel Murano pairs luxurious guestrooms with a museumworthy collection of glass art from around the globe.

Room Rates have been negotiated for the conference as follows (choice of king bed or two doubles):

Single or Double \$149 Triple \$159 Quad \$169

Reservations must be made by **April 13, 2016** in order to qualify for the conference rate.

To make reservations through the hotel website, please visit the following link:

https://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=1476261&hotelID=15048, or call the reservations line at 253-238-8000 or 888-862-3255. Please ask for the "Association of Ancient Historians Room Block" to ensure you receive the special group rate. The conference rate is available for Wednesday and Sunday nights for attendees who wish to come early or stay an extra day. Buses will leave for campus from the Hotel Murano each morning and return each evening.

There are a handful of other hotels and B&B's in town; feel free to contact the organizers for suggestions. The

University of Puget Sound also provides a list of accommodations near campus:

http://www.pugetsound.edu/about/campus-thenorthwest/visiting-puget-sound/nearby-

<u>accommodations/</u>. Tacoma's free light rail can provide transportation from many of these locations to the Hotel Murano.

Room Sharing: If you would like assistance in finding a roommate to share the cost of a hotel room, a Google document has been posted to assist you and can be found at

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EgHQnBTVMN4tOlyebbCAJQC-vPt4iPMk3G3HqA4b96I/pub. You

can submit your information or browse whatever information happens to be posted. We ask that you make arrangements yourselves and remove your information from the Google doc once you have located a roommate. We will leave information on the Google doc right up until the conference, but obviously the sooner you post information and make arrangements, the better the odds of finding a roommate. Remember that the deadline to receive the discounted hotel rate is April 13, 2016.

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#### TRANSPORTATION

Seattle-Tacoma International Airport is the nearest major airport, approximately 25 miles from campus. There are several options for getting to the hotel from the airport:

Public Transportation: Bus #574 leaves from International Boulevard, a 5-10 minute walk from the terminal, and takes approximately 45 minutes to arrive at the Tacoma Dome station. From there, take either Tacoma Link light rail and get off at Convention Place, or any bus that runs along Pacific Avenue (e.g. 41, 42, 400, 500, 501, 594) and get off at 14<sup>th</sup> St. Fare is \$3.50.

Shuttle Services: Capital Aeroporter is the designated van service from SeaTac airport. Oneway trips from the airport cost \$32; we are working on a discounted rate for conference attendees.

Rental Cars: SeaTac has all major rental car companies, and parking is available at the Hotel Murano for \$16 per day, with unlimited in-and-out privileges. Parking on campus is free.

<u>Taxi</u>: The fare will be at least \$70, and perhaps more depending on traffic, so this is generally not a recommended option.

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Please note that the I-5 freeway between the airport and Tacoma is **the** major commuter connection heading south from Seattle and so traffic is likely to be very heavy between 3 and 6 p.m. It is suggested that you plan your arrival outside of this window, or else that you make allowance for a significantly longer trip from the airport to campus. Returning to the airport should not be difficult, occurring for most attendees on the weekend.

Questions about registration or the meeting? Contact the organizers at **2016aah@gmail.com**.

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#### **REGISTRATION:**

Registration includes the opening reception, coffee breaks, and lunch on both Friday and Saturday, transportation to and from campus, as well as one ticket to the banquet on Saturday. Additional banquet tickets are available for \$60 each. Please note that you must register in order to attend the conference and there is NO onsite registration. The costs of registration are:

Early bird - \$120 (postmarked by April 8) Early bird student - \$80 (postmarked by April 8) Regular - \$145 (postmarked by April 29) Regular student - \$100 (postmarked by April 29)

To register, please visit <a href="http://associationofancienthistorians.org/2016meeting/registration.html">http://associationofancienthistorians.org/2016meeting/registration.html</a> and fill out the form. Registration will ONLY be online. Then <a href="mailto:mailto

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**N.B.** You are not considered registered for the conference until your check arrives in my box.

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I still remember my first annual meeting and seeing there so many scholars I admired and respected. I recall being a bit tonguetied and awkward in their presence. Now, years later I have forged good, strong relationships with a number of the members with whom I was star-struck back then and I enjoy seeing all of you at every meeting. Remember that the community exists. If you have an issue you wish to discuss or you just want to chat, reach out to fellow members. You can always contact me. Let me know what you think. I am also available to advocate on members' behalf if you think a letter or communication from me will help you in your department or initiative. Share the community—reach out to colleagues and students at all levels and all over the world to become a part of the AAH. As we push forward with our professional initiatives, I do not want us to lose sight of this community we have created and continue to nourish. Plan to come to the after party in Tacoma.

I hope you have a healthy, safe year, and have some fun whenever you can. Keep your perspective fresh and your priorities in order. Take care of yourself and laugh often,

Lee L. Brice

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#### IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened by the death of two of our long-time members, C. Wade Meade, who passed away on October 27, 2015, and Duncan Fishwick, who passed away on August 6, 2015.

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#### NEWS FROM AND ABOUT COLLEAGUES

Cynthia Damon has just published a new OUT edition of Caesar's *Civil War: C. Iuli Caesaris commentarii de bello civili* (Oxford 2015), together with a volume of short essays, discussing and explaining her choice to constitute the text in particularly difficult or contested passages: *Studies on the Text of Caesar's Bellum Civile* (Oxford 2015).

Dennis L Fink published *The Battle of Marathon in Scholarship: Research, Theories and Controversies.* Jefferson, North Carolina: McFarland & Company, Inc., 2014.

Our very own Lee Brice is pleased to announce publication of the *Brill Companion to Insurgency and Terrorism in the Ancient Mediterranean*, which he co-edited with Tim Howe. This book is the first volume in the new Brill series *Warfare in the Ancient Mediterranean World*. The series is seeking new proposals, on which contact Lee at ll-brice@wiu.edu.

Ian Worthington's *Ptolemy I. King and Pharaoh of Egypt* will be published this fall by Oxford University Press, and his *By the Spear: Philip II, Alexander the Great, and the Rise and Fall of the Macedonian Empire* (OUP 2014) will be a featured book event in conjunction with the Field Museum in Chicago's "Greece from Agamemnon to Alexander" exhibit in March 2016. Ian will also give a public lecture on Alexander, linked with the exhibit.

Frank Frost, Professor Emeritus of Ancient History at UC – Santa Barbara, gave a paper to a UC – Santa Barbara and local AIA-chapter audience on "Emporion, an Ancient Greek City in Spain."

W. V. Harris' new book, *Roman Power: A Thousand Years of Empire*, will be published by Cambridge University Press this coming summer.

Edward. M. Harris, David M. Lewis, and Mark Woolmer, announce the publication of their book *The Ancient Greek Economy: Markets, Households and City-States* (Cambridge University Press, 2016).

Carolina López-Ruiz has won a NEH Fellowship for 2016-2017. Her project, "Phoenician Networks in the Mediterranean from Greece to Iberia, ca. 700-500 BCE," was found to contribute to the goal of the NEH initiative "The Common Good: The Humanities in the Public Square." For more information about her award, visit http://classics.osu.edu/news/professor-carolina-lópez-ruiz-has-won-national-endowment-humanities-fellowship-2016-2017.

R. F. Kennedy and Molly Jones-Lewis, eds., announce the publication of *The Routledge Handbook of Identity and the Environment in the Classical and Medieval Worlds*. (Routledge, 2016). This volume explores how environment was thought to shape ethnicity and identity, discussing developments in early natural philosophy and historical ethnographies. Defining 'environment' broadly to include not only physical but also cultural environments, natural and constructed, the volume considers the multifarious ways in which the environment was understood to shape the culture and physical characteristics of peoples, as well as how the ancients manipulated their environments to achieve a desired identity. This diverse collection includes studies not only of the Greco-Roman world, but also ancient China and the European, Jewish and Arab inheritors and transmitters of classical thought.

The best selling tome by Charles Matson Odahl, *Constantine and the Christian Empire* (London & New York: Routledge, 1st ed. 2004 Hb, 2006 Pb; 2nd ed. 2010 Hb, 2013 Pb) is now also available in e-book formats, and in three foreign translations—Romanian (2006), Serbian (2013), and Polish (2015). His recent article on "Constantine and God: Imperial Theocracy for the Christian Divinity in the First Christian Emperor's Beliefs and Policies," which was published with some editorial mistakes in *The Ancient World*, vol. 46, 1 (2015), pp. 25-64, is available in correct form with color illustrations on the Charles M. Odahl/Boise State University—Academia.edu website (internet version, pp. 1-47). Dr. Odahl has recently moved from Newport, Oregon back to Boise, Idaho.

Mireille Corbier (Paris) announces that vols. 2011 (August, 2014) and 2012 (August, 2015) of *L'Année épigraphique*— are now online at <u>Cairn.info</u>: <u>https://www.cairn.info/revue-annee-epigraphique.htm</u>. The index and first pages can be consulted without subscription. The remainder of the volume is on sale by region. Access to the complete published volume is available from libraries and institutions with subscriptions to CAIRN. In addition, *L'Année épigraphique* is available on JSTOR for issues from 1888 (published in 1889) through 2007 (published in 2010).

Barbara N. Porter would like to announce that she has been appointed the Distinguished Bronfman Visiting Professor of Judaic Studies at William and Mary College for 2016. She will be in residence there in February 2016.

#### AAH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Reminder about AAH Membership dues:** Please renew your membership dues if you have not done so. As of January 2014, we will only be carrying arrears for TWO years, not three years. Dues can now be renewed online on the AAH website. Considering the costs of many other associations focused on history, we are still the best bargain out there!

Membership	<b>Dues</b> effective January 1, 2015
Regular Postal	16.00
Regular Electronic	11.00
Associate Postal	12.00
Associate Electronic	7.00
Life	160.00

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Thank you to all who have donated to the AAH subvention fund! The fund is supported entirely by member donations and helps junior faculty and graduate students defray the cost of attending the annual meeting. Many who have received Subvention Grants have become lifelong members of the Association. Please consider donating if you have not done so.

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Report from Rachael B. Goldman about the AAH Panels at the American Historical Association Meeting 2016 Greetings from Atlanta! This year there were three AAH Affiliate panels that kept within the theme of the Annual Meeting of the AHA, Global Migrations; Empires, Nations and Neighbors:

- 1. The Jewish Diaspora in Ancient Rome, 64 BCE-330 CE
- 2. Ancient Neighbors: The Eastern World under the Bactrians and Parthians
- 3. The Interactions of Societies and Ideas in the Roman World

All the panels were well-attended, questions were lively, and the topics were timely and explored regions that usually go unnoticed. At least one paper in each panel considered the topics of digital humanities, material culture, or archaeology. Members of our organization are encouraged to submit panel suggestions and paper proposals to keep up the dialogue with the AAH. Please look at p. 8 below for the call for papers for next year's AAH Affiliate Panel at the AHA.

The Affiliates Meeting, led by the executive director Jim Grossman, explained that affiliates do contribute to the growth the organization. In addition, as the overall structure of the annual meeting will be changing, the AAH will look to the Affiliates to guide this process, given our success in holding regular meetings in our own discipline. Jim reminded the Affiliate members of the online forum and to update the AHA with activities in the Affiliate organization.

### **CSEN**POSITIONS

#### Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Classical Studies, American School of Classical Studies at Athens

The American School of Classical Studies at Athens seeks an established scholar with extensive experience in Greece for the position of the Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Classical Studies. The Mellon Professor organizes and conducts the academic program of the school in collaboration with the Director and Assistant Director and must be able to provide a graduate-level introduction to the sites, monuments, museums, and topography of Greece as well as to advise students of the school in their research. In addition, as one of the officers of the School, the Mellon Professor participates in the operations of the School.

The appointment is for a three-year term beginning 1 July 2017. Salary is commensurate with rank and experience. Benefits include pension contribution, health insurance, travel budget, and housing on campus. The incumbent is not seeking a second term. The deadline for application is **March 1, 2016**. Send a letter of application detailing qualifications for the position as well as experience in Greece, research and pedagogical agendas, *curriculum vitae*, and three letters of reference to Professor Peter Krenz, Chair, Committee on Personnel, American School of Classical Studies at Athens, 6-8 Charlton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540-5232. Submit all application materials online at:

http://ascsa.wufoo.com/forms/application-for-ascsa-mellon-professor/

#### **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

#### Archaeo Tek Fieldwork in Transylvania (Romania)

Summer field opportunities are available for graduate and undergraduate students in field archaeology and bioarchaeology in Transylvania (Romania), Visit **www.archaeotek-archaeology.org** for more information.

ArchaeoTek programs are intensive hands-on projects designed to immerse participants in an active research environment and provide the opportunity for the acquisition of practical, technical and specialized field skills. The research area focuses on Transylvania (Romania), a region essential to the prehistoric and historic development of the Old World—Europe. Transylvania, by its geographic position as one of the main access roads in and out of Europe, and by its highly fertile lands and natural resources (i.e. salt, copper, tin, iron, silver, gold, etc.), was at the core of the multiscalar transformative processes instrumental in European construction.

ArchaeoTek research looks at processes of crisis management in liminal space-time environments, such as the European frontier. There is current interest in two major continuity breaks in the region: the first one triggered by the collapse of the Dacian Kingdoms after their final defeat in 106AD by Trajan's legions and subsequent colonization; and the second one following the defeat of the European armies at the Battle on Mohacs in 1526 and subsequent Ottoman invasion. The focus is on questions of transition and persistence in liminal contexts, creolization, identity and status negotiation/representation in unstable and dynamic environments, socio-cultural and spiritual adaptation as it pertains to mortality, health, and salvation in times of crisis. To this effect, there are several on-going projects, open to both credit students and non-credit volunteers:

#### APPLIED FIELD METHODS:

- <u>Applied Field Geophysics Workshop Intensive Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Survey and Analysis</u> (May 29 July 1, 2016; intensive 5 day sessions)
- Field Museology, Ethnoarchaeology and Traditional Crafts Workshop (June 5 July 2, 2016)
- Roman Military Survey Field Survey Methods for Settlement Identification (June 5 July 2, 2016)

#### ARCHAEOLOGY – EXCAVATION (2 weeks minimum):

- Roman Settlement Excavation Life by the Imperial Roads (May 29 July 2, 2016)
- Roman Villa Excavation Identity and Wealth on the Roman Frontier (July 3 August 6, 2016)
- Roman Military Excavation A Soldier's Life on the Frontier (July 3 August 6, 2016)
- Roman Imperial Urban Excavation Sarmizegetusa, First Roman City North of the Danube (July 3 August 6, 2016)

#### BIOARCHAEOLOGY – EXCAVATION (associated 3- and 4-week intensive osteology labs are separate):

- Medieval Cemetery Funerary Excavation Lost Churches Project (June 12 July 2 and July 3 July 23, 2016)
- Deviant Mass Grave Medieval Mortuary Excavation Crisis and Pathology (May 22 June 11 and June 12 July 2, 2016)

For more information, visit the website: <a href="www.archaeotek-archaeology.org">www.archaeotek-archaeology.org</a> or contact us at <a href="archaeology@archaeotek.org">archaeotek.org</a>. All projects are designed as intensive hands-on field experience programs, complemented by evening lectures, and, as such, are open to both credit students (undergraduate and graduate) and non-credit participants (student and non-student). For thousands of pictures and perspectives from our past participants, visit the Facebook ArchaeoTek Community page.

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### THE BRITISH SCHOOL AT ATHENS

### POSTGRADUATE TRAINING COURSE IN GREEK EPIGRAPHY, 26 June – 10 July 2016

Whether publishing new inscriptions, reinterpreting old ones, or critically analysing editions, this course provides training for historians, archaeologists, and textual scholars alike in the discipline of reading and interpreting epigraphic evidence. Students will be guided through the process of producing editions of inscriptions, gaining practical first-hand experience with the stones as well as instruction in editorial and bibliographic skills. Guest lectures on historical and thematic subjects will explore the ways in which epigraphic evidence can inform a wide range of classical subjects. The course will be taught primarily by Prof. Graham Oliver (Brown) and Mr. Robert Pitt (BSA) and will utilise the most significant epigraphic collections around Athens, where students will be assigned a stone from which they will create a textual edition. The importance of seeing inscriptions within their archaeological and topographical contexts will be explored during site visits around Athens, Attica, and Delphi. Some prior knowledge of Greek is essential, although students with only elementary skills are advised that reading inscriptions is a very good way to advance in the language!

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The course fee of £730 includes accommodation in shared rooms at the BSA, where self-catering facilities are available, as well as 24-hour access to the superb library, entry to all sites and museums, and BSA membership. Free membership for the remainder of the session will be offered to students wishing to remain at the BSA after the course to continue their research. Travel to and from Greece is the sole responsibility of the course participant.

The course is limited to 14 places, and open to students of any university pursuing Masters or Post-graduate degrees.

Further information can be obtained from the BSA website (www.bsa.ac.uk). Completed application forms and an academic reference letter should be emailed to the Assistant Director, Dr. Chryssanthi Papadopoulou (assistant.director@bsa.ac.uk) no later than January 30, 2016.

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#### CALLS FOR PAPERS

# THE AGE OF ALEXANDER THE GREAT: The Wide-Ranging Impact of Alexander in Europe and Asia Monday April 4, 2016 at South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD

There is no definitive theme as such, and papers are encouraged that cover all aspects of the study of Alexander the Great and his era. The study of Alexander is often restricted to specific spheres of study. This conference aims at presenting a forum where any aspect of Alexander and his legacy can be discussed. These can be the more traditional topics of interest, such as political, military, and cultural history, through to comparative studies or ones with a particular geographic focus, such as India or Asia. Subtopics of particular interest are: Military developments, historiography of the sources of Alexander, Alexander's impact on the edges of his empire, the reputation of Alexander in the Successor states, and the roles of women in his campaign and afterwards.

#### The Keynote speaker will be **Professor Waldemar Heckel**.

Other featured speakers are Dr. Timothy Howe, Dr. Jeanne Reames, and Dr. Carolyn Willekes.

The conference is aimed equally at undergraduate and graduate students, researchers in the early stages of their careers and established academics. We would also encourage the proposal of panels of three papers.

Proposals/abstracts should be no longer than 250 words and should be sent to: Dr. Graham Wrightson (graham.wrightson@sdstate.edu).

The deadline for submission of proposals is Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

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# AAH AFFILIATE SESSION—FOR AHA ANNUAL MEETING IN DENVER, JANUARY 2017 Converging Empires: Ptolemies and Seleucids in the Hellenistic and Roman Periods

With the death of Alexander the Great and the eventual disintegration of his widespread empire, the individual empires of the Ptolemies and the Seleucids grew. These two empires are recognized for their growth and development of early institutions that would shape the Ancient Mediterranean. Scholarship in the last two decades has expanded our understanding of how these two empires interacted within Greco-Roman society through history, religion, philosophy, archaeology, art history, and demographics: Lewis (1986), Kuhrt (1987), (1993), Millar (1987), Lampela (1998), Hölbl (2001), and Manning (2009). Their research sought to discuss the political and military history as a means of connection and authority within the region; stressing instability rather than tradition and continuation. Much scholarship, including museum exhibits, has looked at these two regions independently rather than their interactions, but this panel seeks to demonstrate that more can be done with historical and secular aspects of the period.

This panel will seek to show how there was a continuation and a dialogue within the region through the cultural, social, and economic developments among the two empires and their connections with other burgeoning states. Papers that seek to address the following issues will be considered:

Identity Prior to the Rise of the Diadochi Religion and Cult Worship between these Two Empires Women of the Region
The "Barbarism" Attributed to these Peoples
Connections with Eastern Kingdoms (e.g., Bactria, India, Central Asia)
Display of Artistic Development
Appropriation of Infrastructure and Institutions
Bilingualism in Texts and Inscriptions

Please submit a 150-word abstract with bibliography and a CV to goldmanr@tcnj.edu by March 25, 2016

# **COSE**PUBLICATIONS

The publications committee reminds members that we are seeking suggestions for future PAAH volumes and you do not have to edit a volume just because you suggest we undertake it. Please contact Lee Brice (<u>ll-brice@wiu.edu</u>) or Serena Connolly (serena@rutgers.edu) with suggestions.

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James Bowden, an ancient Near Eastern historian, is putting together an edited volume for publication on the bow and arrow through history. Submissions are sought for the three remaining sections to be filled, which are on Greek, Roman, and ancient Egyptian warfare with an emphasis on the bow and arrow. Interested authors need to contact Professor James Bowden by email (james.bowden5@gmail.com) for guidelines before they send a CV and chapter proposal.

### CONFERENCES

#### FEMINISM AND CLASSICS 7 VISIONS

#### University of Washington, Seattle, May 19-22, 2016

This conference will focus on vision in—and visions of—the ancient Mediterranean world, primarily ancient Greece and Rome, but without excluding, for example, Egypt and the Near East. We welcome submissions related to any aspect of this theme, including sight, blindness, voyeurism, the gaze, spectacle, illusion, dreams, hallucinations, epiphany, and similar topics. We also encourage abstracts that construe the theme of vision more broadly: What can we know about self-perception in the ancient Mediterranean world, particularly among women and other groups defined as Others? How have post-antique cultures envisioned or reimagined Classical material, whether in art, theatre, literature, film, or other media? What is to be learned from looking at the history of women and feminism in Classical studies, and what paths forward can we envision, both for scholarship and for pedagogy? What can views from outside (e.g., outside Classics, the humanities, academia, the United States, the West) teach us, and how does the field look from within different parts of the academy (e.g., students, adjuncts, tenured or tenure-track faculty, librarians, museum staff)? Are there new lenses through which we might profitably examine old material?

Keynote speakers are Bettina Bergmann, Sheila Murnaghan, and Alison Wylie. See <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/femcon7/home">https://sites.google.com/site/femcon7/home</a> for more information, including accommodations. A draft program is available online at <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/femcon7/program">https://sites.google.com/site/femcon7/program</a>

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