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Abstract

Since 1893 excavations by six different archaeologists at Vravron on the east coast of Attica have uncovered 37 Mycenaean tombs. The excavations, carried out by Stais (1893), Theochares and Papadimitriou (1955–1956), Verdelis (1965–1966), Themelis (1972–1973) and Kakavoyanni (1984), were not fully published and not all were well documented. This volume is the result of extensive archival research in the Museum of Vravron, the National Museum of Athens, the Archaeological Society of Athens and the excavation diaries and preliminary reports. The authors present a thorough description of the tombs and their contents and detailed discussions of the pottery, figurines, metal and other finds. Despite some loss of detail regarding the location, architecture and context of recovery of many tombs, the documentation and publication of these assemblages are valuable in their own right. The richly illustrated volume includes line drawings of over 300 pottery vessels and other objects, as well as 100 black and white and four colour plates.
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From 2010 to 2012, a seminar series entitled *La naissance des cités crétoises* was organised by UCL, with the support of the National Research Foundation (FNRS), the Hubert Curien Partnership Tournesol (PHC Tournesol), the Centre for the Study of Ancient Worlds (CEMA), and the Institute for Civilisations, Arts and Literature (INCAL). The primary aim of the seminar series was to acquaint students with new research on the origin and early development of the city-state on the island of Crete, and to provide an opportunity to present the results of ongoing archaeological projects. Eight Cretan sites (Axos, Phaistos, Prinias, Karphi, Dreros, Azoria, Praisos, and Itanos), recently excavated or re-excavated, were thus respectively considered in their regional and historical contexts by Eva Tegou (25th Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities), Daniela Lefèvre-Novaro (University of Strasbourg), Antonella Pautasso (Institute of Archeological Heritage, Monuments and Sites/National Research Council), Saro Wallace (British School at Athens), Vasiliki Zographaki (24th Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities) and Alexandre Farnoux (French School in Athens), Donald Haggis (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), James Whitley (University of Cardiff), Didier Viviers and Athéna Tsingarida (Free University of Brussels). These lectures were well-attended and very much enjoyed, as were the “commensal events” organized for the occasion: each time they gave rise to thought provoking discussions and encouraged the development of international and intergenerational collaborations in the field. So we are thankful to the speakers for their stimulating contributions to the seminar series.
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Minoan Cushion Seals. Innovation in Form, Style, and Use in Bronze Age Glyptic
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Abstract

This book is about a single Minoan seal shape, the cushion seal - a rectangular stone with biconvex faces -- so called because its profile resembles a cushion. This shape is specific to Minoan culture. The first securely-dated cushions appear in Middle Minoan IIB but its floruit is Middle Minoan III-Late Minoan IA, after which it essentially dies out. While, in its early days, the materials, style, and motifs were similar to those of other seal shapes, it later developed a recognizable, perhaps semi-independent style and iconography of its own. Some of the finest examples of Minoan glyptic art appear on cushions. Who crafted them? Had they any special meaning? Why did the shape so abruptly disappear? This book is the first to examine all aspects of cushion seals and to compare them with other contemporary forms of glyptic art. It aims to cast new light on style and form at the transition from the Protopalatial to early Neopalatial period on Crete.

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The title of this volume, *ke-ra-me-ja*, is a woman’s name that appears only once in the extant Mycenaean documentation, on Knossos Ap 639, a catalog of named women. We chose it because it means “potter” (*Κεράμεια*, from Greek *κέραμος*, “potter’s clay”) and combines two major strands of Cynthia Shelmerdine’s many scholarly pursuits: Mycenaean ceramics and Linear B texts. It thereby signals her pioneering use of archaeological and textual data in a sophisticated and integrated way.

Like Cynthia, it is also one of a kind. The intellectual content of the essays presented to her in this volume demonstrate not only that her research has had a wide-ranging influence, but also that it is a model of scholarship to be emulated. The fact that the authors contributed in the first place is a testament to her warm and generous friendship. We hope that the papers in this volume both pay tribute to her past work and prove fruitful to Cynthia in her many continuing endeavors.
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Despite being explored as early as 1877, just one year after Schliemann’s discovery of Circle A at Mycenae, Mycenaean Attica has never been the subject of a general overview. Attention has only been devoted to single outstanding discoveries, such as the monumental tombs and cemeteries of Spata, Menidi, and Perati, or the citadels and settlements of the Acropolis at Athens, Eleusis, and Kiapha Thiti. An undoubted constraint affecting the archaeological research of this region is the illicit character of several excavations carried out between the late 19th c. and early 20th c., as well as a well-established scholarly bias towards cemeteries, rather than their related settlements. For a long while, Mycenaean Attica has only been the focus of ceramic studies. Beginning with the late 1960s, new excavations in settlements of eastern Attica such as Thorikos, Marathon, Brauron, and Kiapha Thiti have shed new light on a formerly neglected territory that still represents a terra incognita. In this context, this study aims to provide the reader with a thorough survey of Attica’s sites situated to the South of Parnes, as well as with an interpretative essay which traces the major stages in the regional settlement history throughout the Late Bronze Age.
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**Abstract**

This study outlines the state of our present knowledge concerning the Mycenaean settlements in Messenia and examines the evidence for reconstructing the political geography of the “Kingdom” of Pylos. The progress of archaeological exploration in Messenia is reviewed in relation to the Mycenaean (Late Helladic) period. The data from excavations and surveys concerning the Mycenaean settlements in Messenia are summarized. The author attempts to determine the extent of the “Kingdom” and to identify the locations of its main districts by correlating the archaeological data from Mycenaean sites with the the inscriptions in Linear B found in the “Palace of Nestor” at Ano Englarios.

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The close relationship between photography and archaeology is widely acknowledged. Since its invention, photography has been an indispensable documentation tool for archaeology, while the development of digital technology has facilitated the growing needs of an archaeological excavation in recording and archiving. Still, both photography and archaeology are much more than documentation practices. On the one hand, photography is the most appropriate medium for creating visual art; on the other, the excavation is a locus where material and immaterial knowledges are constantly being produced, reproduced and represented; as such, it constitutes an ideal “topos” for experimentation in creating images. This entangled relationship between photography and archaeology, and art and documentation, has only recently attracted attention, emerging as a separate field of study. Archaeographies: Excavating Neolithic Dispilio consists one of the very first experimentations in printed format, dealing with this visual interplay between archaeology and photography. The case study is the excavation of the Greek Neolithic settlement of Dispilio. The book tackles archaeological practice on site, the microcosms of excavation, and the interaction between people and “things”. Archaeographies derives from an on-going, blog-based project, launched in 2006 (http://www.visualizingneolithic.com/). The black-and-white photos of the book were selected from a large archive, and are loosely assembled as an itinerary. They are accompanied by a laconic commentary, in order to retain the sense of ambiguity and allow multiple interpretation of the images.
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Η παρούσα έκδοση, προϊόν πολύπλευρης συνεργασίας με πολιτιστικούς και κοινωνικούς φορείς της Τρίπολης, της Αρκαδίας και της Πελοποννήσου, αποτελεί το επιστέγασμα μιας προσπάθειας που άρχισε το έτος 2012, για να προβάλει μια πλευρά της έρευνας που μέχρι τότε δεν είχε κινήσει το ενδιαφέρον των Αρχαιολόγων και του Κοινού: Το Αρχαιολογικό Ινστιτούτο Πελοποννησιακών Σπουδών ξεκινούσε, μέσω των επαφών του με τα Γ.Α.Κ.-Αρχεία Νομών Αρκαδίας, Λακωνίας, Ηλείας και Αργολίδας, τη διμηνιαία του έκδοση “OPUSCULA PELOPONNESIACA”. Σ’ αυτήν φιλοδοξούσε να παρουσιάσει αρχεία αρχαιολογικού και ιστορικού χαρακτήρα που αφορούσαν άγνωστες πτυχές της ενασχόλησης των ειδικών, των λογίων, αλλά και της Διοίκησης, με το ιστορικό παρελθόν. Η σχετική Δημημερίδα ήρθε, τον Οκτώβριο του 2013, ως το φυσικό επακόλουθο της διαπίστωσης ότι υπήρχαν πολύ περισσότερα στο πεδίο αυτό, απ’ όσα μια μικρή περιοδική εκδοτική προσπάθεια μπορούσε να περιλάβει.

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Sea Peoples, Egypt, and the Aegean: The transference of maritime technology in the Late Bronze–Early Iron transition (LH IIIB–C)
Jeffrey P. Emanuel
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Abstract
The appearance of the brailed rig and loose-footed sail at the end of the Late Bronze Age revolutionized seafaring in the eastern Mediterranean. The most famous early appearance of this new technology is found in history’s first visual representation of a naval battle, on the walls of Ramesses III’s mortuary temple at Medinet Habu, where both Egyptian and Sea Peoples ships are depicted with this new rig, as well as top-mounted crow’s nests and decking upon which shipborne warriors do battle. The identical employment of these innovative components of maritime technology by opposing forces in this battle suggests either some level of previous contact between the invaders and those responsible for designing and constructing Egypt’s ships of war, or shared interaction with a third party, perhaps on the Syro–Canaanite coast. This article examines the evidence for the development of the brailed rig in the eastern Mediterranean, and explores the possibility that at least one group of Sea Peoples, who may have comprised a key part of the international economy of the Late Bronze Age in their role as “pirates, raiders, and traders” (Georgiou 2012: 527) – Artzy’s “nomads of the sea” (1997) – played a similarly integral role in the transference of maritime technology between the Levant, Egypt, and the Aegean.

TEXT

Ayia Irini II–III, Kea: The phasing and relative chronology of the Early Bronze Age II settlement
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Hesperia 82:3 (July-September 2013), 385-434

Abstract
This article revisits the Ayia Irini II–III pottery sequence to consider further the phasing and relative chronology of the Early Bronze Age (EBA) II settlement. A synopsis of the four main building phases of EBA II Ayia Irini provides a diachronic context for examining possible evidence of ceramic development within Periods II and III. A comparison of Ayia Irini II–III with the relative chronologies of settlement sequences in the Cyclades and the south-central Greek mainland clearly situates the site in the developed and late phases of the EBA II west Aegean and the period of the corridor houses on the mainland.
The Early Helladic II–III transition at Lerna and Tiryns revisited: Chronological difference or synchronous variability?
Erika Weiberg & Michael Lindblom
*Hesperia* 83:3 (July-September 2014), 383-407

**Abstract**

Lerna and the Lower Citadel of Tiryns are key sites for understanding the Early Helladic II–III transition in the northeastern Peloponnese. We argue that the differences between the two settlements do not reflect chronological variation, but rather the ways in which each settlement responded to events ca. 2200 b.c. The ceramic and architectural sequences are used to illustrate the divergent strategies practiced by the inhabitants of each site. Lerna III–IV epitomizes the renegotiation of social values during a period when centralized decision-making and coordination of economic activities was disintegrating. Activities in the coeval Lower Citadel of Tiryns, on the other hand, reflect the maintenance of continuity in a domestic setting.

Animals, economics, and culture in the Athenian Agora: Comparative zooarchaeological investigations
Michael MacKinnon
*Hesperia* 83:2 (April-June 2014), 189-255

**Abstract**

This synthetic investigation of a large sample of zooarchaeological remains, collected chiefly over the years 1934 through 1996, highlights the range of human cultural, social, and behavioral aspects involving animals and their products over time and space for the Athenian Agora. Evidence supports the hypothesis that specialized husbandry and dietary schemes focusing on domestic sheep, goats, pigs, and cattle began in Neolithic times. Subsequent periods build upon this foundation, and culminate in extensive deposits of butchery, horn and bone processing, and dietary waste within Classical-period levels. Patterns alter with Roman and Late Antique influence to slightly augmented pork consumption and even more systematic butchery patterns, before shifting back again to higher frequencies of goat pastoralism during Byzantine times.

The Panayia Field excavations at Corinth: The Neolithic to Hellenistic phases
Guy D. R. Sanders, Sarah A. James, Ioulia Tzonou-Herbst & James Herbst
*Hesperia* 83:1 (January-March 2014), 1-79

**Abstract**

This article is a synthetic discussion of the Neolithic through Hellenistic phases of the Panayia Field excavated by the American School of Classical Studies between 1995 and 2007. The Late Neolithic to Early Helladic II periods are represented by pottery and other finds from a layer of alluvium that was deposited across the site. Four Early and Middle Geometric tombs, three with monolithic limestone sarcophagi, offer evidence for the
earliest known achievements of Corinthian stonemasons. Finds from the Archaic and Classical periods are more ephemeral, but suggest that part of the area was given over to memorial services for the dead. During the Hellenistic period, the Panayia Field was a residential and industrial area.

**Handheld portable X-Ray fluorescence of Aegean obsidians**
E. Frahm, R. Doonan & V. Kilikoglou  
*Archaeometry* 56:2 (April 2014), 228-260

**Abstract**

We tested two portable XRF instruments (with different technologies) using two correction schemes (‘soils’ and ‘mining’) with both factory-set calibrations and linear regression calibrations derived from published data. All four Aegean obsidian sources, including Sta Nychia and Dhemenegaki on Melos, were distinguished in each case. The newer instrument provided better ‘off-the-shelf’ accuracy than the older instrument, but calibrations negated these differences. The newer model also offered superior precision for most elements, despite measuring specimens for shorter times. Both correction schemes for the newer instrument resulted in almost equal precision, meaning that either may be used for successful Aegean obsidian sourcing.

**Coupling lead isotope analysis and petrography to characterize fabrics of storage and trade containers from Hala Sultan Tekke (Cyprus)**
*Archaeometry* 56:2 (April 2014), 261-278

**From the introduction**

Lead isotopes, thin- and sherd-section analyses are coupled on pottery-vessel fragments excavated from the Late Bronze Age site of Hala Sultan Tekke (south-east Cyprus) and representing fabrics used for the production of storage and trade containers. The fabrics of the sherds are first described according to general macroscopic observations. Based on the different fabrics identified, a petrographic analysis is carried out on thin sections and compared to lead isotope results on the same samples. This study shows that a specific fabric corresponds to a specific lead isotopic composition and proposes different sources for the various groups of associated sherds/fabrics. It also demonstrates the compatibility and complementarity of petrography and lead isotopes within pottery provenance study.
The olive-branch dating of the Santorini eruption
Paolo Cherubini, Turi Humbel, Hans Beeckman, Holger Gärtner, David Mannes, Charlotte Pearson, Werner Schoch, Roberto Tognetti & Simcha Lev Yadun
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 267-273
Aegean Library: Dig. Cherubini et al. 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
The massive eruption of the volcano beneath the island of Thera (Santorini) in the middle of the Aegean Sea provides a fundamental datum point in the history of the Late Bronze Age civilisations of the eastern Mediterranean. The archaeological remains excavated at Akrôtori include impressive architecture, remarkable wall-paintings and large numbers of other finds and provide an unparalleled view of Aegean civilisation in the middle of the second millennium BC. The eruption occurred close to the height of the power and influence of the civilisation centred on Minoan Crete. Chronology is of major importance for understanding the interconnections and influences between the ancient civilisations of the Aegean, Egypt and the Near East.

The olive branch chronology stands irrespective of tree-ring counting
Walter L. Friedrich, Bernd Kromer, Michael Friedrich, Jan Heinemeier, Tom Pfeiffer & Sahra Talamo
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 274-277
Aegean Library: Dig. Friedrich et al. 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
Cherubini et al. question the reliability of identifying annual growth increments in olive trees, and therefore voice caution against the result of the wiggle-match of the four sections of a branch of an olive tree to the 14C calibration curve. Friedrich et al. (2006) were well aware of the problematic density structure of olive trees, and therefore assigned rather wide error margins of up to 50 per cent to the ring count. This still resulted in a late seventeenth century BC youngest date for the modelled age range of the outermost section of wood (95.4% probability). One can even remove any constraint from ring counting altogether and model the four radial sections as a simple ordered sequence, in which only the relative position is used as prior information, in other words that outer sections are younger than inner ones in a radial section.

Radiocarbon and the date of the Thera eruption
Manfred Bietak
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 277-282
Aegean Library: Dig. Bietak 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
The criticism of the date of the olive tree branch from Thera offered by Cherubini et al. (above) has to be fully supported. The attribution of the branch in question to the late part of the seventeenth century BC is by itself not unexpected, as most of the other radiocarbon
dates of short-lived samples from the site of Akrotiri fall into the second half of that century. The attempt to produce a wiggle-match drawn from a succession of non-existent tree-rings in this branch, and to fit such a result into the general calibration curve to give the illusion of precision, however, does not pass the scientific test. Olive trees do not develop annual tree-rings. Furthermore, no proof could be produced that this branch was alive during the eruption.

The Thera olive branch, Akrotiri (Thera) and Palaikastro (Crete): comparing radiocarbon results of the Santorini eruption
Hendrik J. Bruins & Johannes van der Plicht
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 282-287
Aegean Library: Dig. Bruins and Plicht 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
An olive branch is traditionally a symbol of peace, but not necessarily in the context of chronological problems in the Eastern Mediterranean region and the Near East during the second millennium BG. Cherubini et al. (above) strongly attack the radiocarbon dating by Friedrich et al. (2006) of an ancient olive branch, buried by volcanic tephra during the Minoan Santorini eruption. The criticism stems from their investigation of growth rings in modern olive trees on Santorini. The authors attempt with additional arguments, beyond their botanical investigation, to defend the traditional low chronology of the Santorini eruption of around 1500 BC. However, they ignore other crucial publications with radiocarbon dates concerning the Santorini eruption. In this response, we evaluate and negate their main arguments, and present our own conclusions.

The difficulties of dating olive wood
Peter Ian Kuniholm
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 287-288
Aegean Library: Dig. Kuniholm 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
Olive wood is difficult to date for a variety of reasons, the most important of which is that one cannot tell visually what is an annual growth increment (usually referred to as a ‘ting’) and what is a sub-annual growth flush of which there may be any number in one growing season. (I have been able to count a dozen or more flushes in olive wood where the end of the growing season was somewhat more clearly marked than usual.) If one cannot determine the ring boundaries with certainty, one cannot do tree-ring dating, period. For Egyptologists reading this note, acacia is just as bad, and for the same reason. For 25 years I had a couple of sections of olive wood in my dendrochronology lab. Every term I would challenge students to tell me how many rings there were on them. No two students ever came up with the same answer and neither could I. An inspection of two different radii on the same piece also yielded widely varying results. (A side issue, not relevant here, is that the size of the ring in an olive tree does not necessarily reflect climatic conditions but rather the energies of the farmer or gardener.
who brings water to it. Thus olive is useless for purely dendrochronological cross-dating purposes.

A disastrous date
J. Alexander MacGillivray
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 288-290
Aegean Library: Dig. MacGillivray 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
Paolo Cherubini and colleagues have demonstrated convincingly that the identification of olive wood tree-rings from Santorini is ‘practically impossible’. Thus, the single piece of evidence that might have persuaded some archaeologists to support the ‘high’ 1613±13 BC date for the Theran eruption is hors de combat. The Theran olive-tree branch has gone the way of the Greenland Ice Core results of similar date and which enjoyed a similar devoted following until shown to be from a different eruption.

The olive tree-ring problematic dating
Paolo Cherubini & Simcha Lev Yadun
Antiquity 88:339 (March 2014), 290-291
Aegean Library: Dig. Cherubini and Yadun 2014 - Antiquity

From the introduction
We are glad to see that our paper has stimulated a lively debate, and we acknowledge the appreciation of our work by Bietak, Kuniholm and MacGillivray as well as that of those who oppose our hypothesis (Bruins & van der Plicht, Friedrich et al., all above). The enigma of the dating of the Santorini eruption is a long-lasting one, and because of its bearing on the dating of several eastern Mediterranean civilisations, has attracted significant attention. The potentially great importance of the Santorini olive branch used by Friedrich et al. (2006) was that it came from the site itself, and possibly belonged to the destruction layer. As such, the sincere and serious attempt to date it made by Friedrich et al. (2006) should be appreciated. Unfortunately, large olive branches may exist as dead limbs for a very long time and thus represent earlier periods.

A potter’s workshop from Middle Bronze Age Cyprus: new light on production context, scale and variability
David Frankel & Jennifer M. Webb
Antiquity 88:340 (June 2014), 425-440

Abstract
When fire swept through a workshop at Ambelikou Aletri on Cyprus in the nineteenth or twentieth century BC it brought a sudden halt to pottery production, leaving the latest batch of recently fired vessels. The remains of the kiln and its immediate surroundings provide a rare opportunity to gain direct insight into the technology and organisation of a Middle Bronze Age pottery workshop in the eastern Mediterranean. Analysis of the batch of
cutaway-mouthed jugs adjacent to the kiln reveals a level of standardisation focused more on vessel shape than capacity, and shows that at a detailed level, no two jugs were alike. This pottery production site provides vital background for the study of contemporary pottery assemblages on Cyprus and elsewhere in the broader region.

Ceramics, trade, provenience and geology: Cyprus in the Late Bronze Age
Peter Grave, Lisa Kealhofer, Ben Marsh, Ulf Dietrich Schoop, Jürgen Seeher, John W. Bennett & Attila Stopic
*Antiquity* 88:342 (December 2014), 1180-1200

Abstract
The island of Cyprus was a major producer of copper and stood at the heart of east Mediterranean trade networks during the Late Bronze Age. It may also have been the source of the Red Lustrous Wheelmade Ware that has been found in mortuary contexts in Egypt and the Levant, and in Hittite temple assemblages in Anatolia. Neutron Activation Analysis (NAA) has enabled the source area of this special ceramic to be located in a geologically highly localised and geochemically distinctive area of western Cyprus. This discovery offers a new perspective on the spatial organisation of Cypriot economies in the production and exchange of elite goods around the eastern Mediterranean at this time.

Dating the Thera (Santorini) eruption: archaeological and scientific evidence supporting a high chronology
Sturt W. Manning, Felix Höflmayer, Nadine Moeller, Michael W. Dee, Christopher Bronk Ramsey, Dominik Fleitmann, Thomas Higham, Walter Kutschera & Eva Maria Wild
*Antiquity* 88:342 (December 2014), 1164-1179
Aegean Library: Dig. Manning et al. 2014 - Antiquity

Abstract
The date of the Late Bronze Age Minoan eruption of the Thera volcano has provoked much debate among archaeologists, not least in a recent issue of *Antiquity* (‘Bronze Age catastrophe and modern controversy: dating the Santorini eruption’, March 2014). Here, the authors respond to those recent contributions, citing evidence that closes the gap between the conclusions offered by previous typological, stratigraphic and radiometric dating techniques. They reject the need to choose between alternative approaches to the problem and make a case for the synchronisation of eastern Mediterranean and Egyptian chronologies with agreement on a ‘high’ date in the late seventeenth century BC for the Thera eruption.
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5-6 January | Canada, Toronto
University of Toronto, Sidney Smith Hall, Room 2098
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*From Static Data to Dynamic Processes: New Perspectives on Minoan Architecture and Urbanism* International Workshop
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8-11 January | USA, New Orleans, Louisiana
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Conference
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PROGRAMME

9-11 January | Greece, Athens
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Conference
*Αρχαιολογικοί Διάλογοι (Archaeological Dialects)*
PROGRAMME

14 January | 15:30 | UK, London
Room G22/26, Senate House, South Block, Malet Street
ICLS Mycenaean Series
Constance von Rüden
*Tracing diversities in Eastern Mediterranean fresco painting*
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20 January | 19.00 | Greece, Athens
Association of Greek Archaeologists, Ermou 134-136
Lecture
Theodora Papagelopoulou (Ephorate of Antiquities of Cyclades)
*Kύνδνος - τόποι, αρχαιότητες, μνημεία από την προϊστορία ως τους ρωμαϊκούς χρόνους*

22 January | 18.30 | Greece, Pitsidia (Kommos), Faistos, Crete
Cultural Center of Pitsidia
Lecture
James Stratis
*Mελέτη Ανάπτυξης και Συντήρησης του Αρχαιολογικού Πάρκου Κομμού*
22-23 January | Greece, Athens
Alkis Argiriadis amphitheater (University of Athens central building), Panepistimiou 30
Conference
Η αρχαιολογία στην Ελλάδα του σήμερα: Άνθρωποι και μνημεία σε κρίση

23 January | 19.00 | Greece, Athens
Swedish Institute at Athens, Mitseon 9
Aegean Lecture
Peter Tomkins (University of Sheffield - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)
Fragments of Complexity. Piecing together the puzzle of ‘Prepalatial’ Knossos (c. 3600-2000 BC)

30 January | 18:30 | Greece, Athens
The Archaeological Society at Athens, Panepistimiou 22
Minoan Seminar
Fragoula Georma, Irene Nikolakopoulou & Ioannis Bitis
Building B in Akrotiri, Thera

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Iro Mathioudaki’s article
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CHRISTINA ZIOTA’S LECTURE

We would like to thank cordially Christina Ziota (Ephorate of Antiquities of Florina) for her lecture on the new archaeological research at Kleitos, Kozani! Her lecture took place on 12 December.
DIGITAL ARTICLES


Alexiou, St., 1958. Η μινωική θεά μεθ’ υψωμένων χειρών, Κρητικά Χρονικά ΙΒ’, 179-299.


DIGITAL BOOKS


DIGITAL DISSERTATIONS

Ziota, Ch., 2007. Burial practices and societies of bronze age in West Macedonia. The cemeteries of Koilada and Goules in Kozani (in Greek), PhD Dissertation, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

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A museum here said it has confirmed 28 original drawings from German archaeologist Heinrich Schliemann’s report on ancient Greek ruins that could shed light on the excavation of a fabled palace. Schliemann (1822-1890), who won fame for his discovery of the legendary city of Troy in Greek mythology, is also known for his unearthing of the remains of a Greek palace named Tiryns. The Tenri University Sankokan Museum said Nov. 26 the original drawings contain notes handwritten by Schliemann.

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