

Corpus Christi Centre for the Study of Greek and Roman Antiquity Seminar

DOCUMENTING THE PAST
Archival Archaeology between Antiquity and Modern History

Hilary Term 2025

Wednesday (weeks 1–8) 5–6:30 pm, Seminar Room, Corpus Christi College, Oxford

Week 1 (22 January)

‘From Labyrinth to Palace of Minos: documenting Knossos in the Sir Arthur Evans Archive’

Dr Andrew Shapland (Ashmolean Museum, Oxford)

Week 2 (29 January)

‘Early modern Ottoman excavations in ancient Pella, architectural reuse and the question of Alexander’s remembrance’

Dr Elias Kolovos (Institute of Historical Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation)

Week 3 (5 February)

‘From museum to archive: approaches to the archaeology of northwest Greece through the first half of the 20th century’

Prof. Catherine Morgan (All Souls College, Oxford)

Week 4 (12 February)

‘A German classicist in Greece in the early 20th century: notes from the Paul Jacobsthal archives in Oxford’

Dr Katharina Ulmschneider (School of Archaeology and Worcester College, Oxford)

Week 5 (19 February)

‘The validity of finds? Archival archaeology and data quality’

Rasmus Nielsen (Wolfson College, Oxford)

Week 6 (26 February)

‘The role of archives in the reconstruction of the antiquities trade in Greece, 1860–1900’

Dr Yannis Galanakis (Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge)

Week 7 (5 March)

‘Digging into the archives: recontextualizing the 19th-century Bonaparte excavations of the Eastern Necropolises of Vulci’

Dr Christian Mazet (British Museum, London)

Week 8 (12 March)

‘From Athens to Berlin: shedding light on the formation of the collections in the first half of the 20th century’

Dr Athina Chatzidimitriou and Dr Maria-Xeni Gareizou (Directorate for the Curation of the National Archive of Monuments, Hellenic Ministry of Culture)

Papers will be followed by informal discussion over drinks. All are welcome and students are particularly encouraged to attend!

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