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CifA2021 – Promoting our profession

21–23 April 2021, online

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Preparations for CifA2021 are now well underway. We are looking forward to holding our first exclusively online annual conference which will still include the usual keynote addresses, wide-ranging sessions and training workshops. These discuss current professional issues, showcase new developments, and present research in archaeology and the wider heritage sector.



In moving to an online format for the CifA 2021 conference, our hope is that our digital programme will improve the accessibility of the conference for all, whilst shielding participants – particularly those who may be at risk or vulnerable – from COVID-19.

Theme

At CifA2021 we will be looking to the future and asking what more can we do to promote the profession and our professionalism. Over the last decade we have defined new entry routes into archaeology and set out the career structures and competence requirements for professional archaeologists, but how can we maximise these to attract new, and diverse, talent and promote the value and quality of the work we do? Where can we further develop and reinforce the standards and good practice championed by the Institute to ensure we consistently understand and meet our professional obligation to deliver public benefit? And how, as a profession, can we better equip ourselves with the ethical and professional knowledge, skills and behaviours required in a changing, and challenging, environment? None of these are new concepts, but ones that we must all engage with.

Booking information, news and a full timetable of sessions can be found on our conference website: www.archaeologists.net/conference. Early bird registration pricing available until **Friday 19 March 2021**.

Special offers

To help Registered Organisations support staff to attend the conference we are offering a free place for an early career member of staff. Please contact us if you need more information.

Conference bursaries

In our aim of making the conference as accessible as possible, we have a number of bursary options available to assist with the cost of registering and participating in CifA2021. These include

The MSDS Marine bursaries for students who have a background or experience in, or are studying marine archaeology

The Theresa O'Mahony Memorial bursary; which will aim to cover the cost of conference registration and assistive technology to aid professional dis/Abled archaeologists in accessing and participating in the conference

The Hal Dalwood Trust bursary for early career archaeologists of any age

CifA conference bursary scheme for students, unemployed, on a low income or for whom the cost of registering to attend the conference would otherwise be prohibitive

Find out how to apply for a bursary at www.archaeologists.net/conference. Deadlines for applications are 31 March 2021.

We look forward to seeing you at CifA2021! #CifA2021