
NEWS

Fifth release of FACEM

Babette Bechtold, on behalf of the editors of FACEM, announces the **fifth release of FACEM**, December 2015, which focuses on the edition of a software module designed for archaeometric data related to thin-section petrography (<http://facem.at/>).

For more information about FACEM:
<http://facem.at/project/about.php>

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CONFERENCE DIARY

41st International Symposium on Archaeometry (ISA) 15-21 May 2016, Kalamata, Greece

The *41st International Symposium on Archaeometry* is a forum to present the latest data and updates of the archaeometry research and archaeological science. The following topics will be discussed: remote sensing, geophysical prospection and field archaeology, archaeo-chronometry, human-environment interactions and biomaterials-bioarchaeology, stone, plaster and pigments, ceramics, glazes, glass and vitreous materials, metals and metallurgical ceramics. Special theme sessions: environmental remote monitoring for archaeology and cultural heritage, the beginning of the Bronze Age in eastern Mediterranean.

For more information:
<http://isa2016.uop.gr/index.html>

¹⁴C & Archaeology 8th International Symposium 27 June - 1 July 2016, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

The symposium will be organised by the staff of the SUERC Radiocarbon Dating Laboratory, with help from a number of Scottish based archaeologists and scientists. The aim of the symposium is to showcase a good balance of current archaeological research that employs radiocarbon and developments in the radiocarbon technique.

For more information:
<http://www.c14archaeology2016.com/>

22nd Annual Meeting of the Association of European Archaeologists (EAA) 31 August - 4 September 2016, Vilnius, Lithuania

This year the 22nd Annual Meeting of the EAA will focus on six themes: interpreting the archaeological record, managing the archaeological heritage, theoretical and methodological perspectives in archaeology, archaeology of the Baltic region, science and multidisciplinary in archaeology, and archaeology without borders.

For more information:
<http://eaavilnius2016.lt/>

ICAS 2016: 18th International Conference on Archaeological Sciences 8-9 September, 2016, Singapore, Republic of Singapore

ICAS 2016 is the 18th International Conference on Archaeological Sciences, an interdisciplinary forum for the presentation of new advances and research results in the fields of archaeological sciences. The conference will bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and scholars in the domain of interest from around the world. Topics include archaeo-chronometry, archaeology of the Stone Age, bioarchaeology, ceramics, glazes, glass and vitreous materials, field archaeology, GIS and prospection, metals and metallurgical ceramics, micro/nano diagnostic and ancient technology, prehistoric and protohistoric archaeology, processing and visualisation, remote sensing in archaeology, archaeology and Cultural Heritage, stone, plaster and pigments.

For more information:
<https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/09/singapore/ICAS/call-for-papers>

30th Congress of REI CRETARIAE ROMANAE FAUTORES (RCRF) 25 September - 2 October 2016, Lisbon, Portugal,

The 30th Congress of RCRF is organised by UNIARQ - Center for Archaeology, University of Lisbon (Faculty of Letters) with the collaboration of the Directorate General for Cultural Heritage and the National Archaeology Museum. In this Congress the proposed theme will be "New Perspectives on Roman Pottery: Regional Patterns in a Global Empire" and the different regional consumption patterns of various categories of Roman pottery will be discussed.

For more information:

<http://www.rcrflisbon2016.lettras.ulisboa.pt/>

Council for British Archaeology South-East Pottery Workshop Series

All-day seminars run by local experts of all periods in locations across the south-east, focusing on ceramic analysis, identification and interpretation.

Saturdays from January-May 2016 (10am-4pm).

For more information:

<http://www.cbasmouth-east.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/CBASE-pottery-workshops.pdf>

THE OLD POTTER'S ALMANACK

The Old Potter's Almanack is the joint letter of the Ceramic Petrology Group and the Prehistoric Ceramics Research Group. It is a venue for presenting current projects, research, reviews, information and topics of interest on all aspects of pottery, ceramics and refractory materials to the audience of scholars, experts, students, interested groups and individuals. The OPA is now published on-line with Heidelberg University and reaches a world-wide audience (see below for website link).

We welcome contributions focussing on any aspect of ceramics technology from any period, culture and geographic locality. Topics can cover materials from collections, museums, excavations and experimental work.

The deadline for copy of articles for the next issue of the OPA is 1st June 2016 (guidelines for contributors are available from the Editor). Copy and other information, news and events should be sent to the Editor, Michela Spataro (for details see below).

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