

## SOCIETY OF AFRICANIST ARCHAEOLOGISTS

### 25th BIENNIAL MEETING: AFRICAN ARCHAEOLOGY — A 20:20 VISION FOR THE FUTURE

#### Fourth Circular: Registration

Dear colleagues,

The Organizing Committee for SAfA 2020 is delighted to announce that Registration for the 25th Biennial Meeting has now opened. Registration is available at the University of Oxford's Online Store at <https://www.oxforduniversitystores.co.uk/conferences-and-events/school-of-archaeology/events/society-of-africanist-archaeologists-biennial-conference>

#### Registration fees

The cost of registration includes: provision of tea/coffee/refreshments in both the morning and afternoon of each day of the conference; attendance at the Opening Reception at the Ashmolean Museum on the evening of Monday 21 September; attendance at the Closing Reception at St Hugh's College on the evening of Thursday 24 September; and conference materials.

If registration fees exceed the total costs of the conference, surplus funds will be directed to the Student Travel Fund for supporting students attending SAfA 2022.

Early Bird rates are available up to 30 June 2020. Registration after this will be subject to a Late Registration fee of £ 50.00.

As at previous SAfA conferences, fees are determined in relation to career stage and location as follows. All fees are payable in Pounds Sterling:

Global North-based faculty	£ 150.00
Global North-based postdoctoral researchers/retired/independent scholars	£ 100.00
Global North-based students	£ 75.00
Global South-based scholars with PhD	£ 50.00
Global South-based scholars pre-PhD or students	£ 25.00

The term 'Global North' comprises all the countries of Europe and North America, plus Australia, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and the Arabian Peninsula (excluding Yemen).

#### *SAfA Membership*

Note that to present a paper or poster at SAfA 2020 you **MUST** be a member of SAfA and that membership must be renewed or taken out before the conference starts. You may register your membership if you have not already done so at <https://safarice.edu/annual-membership-and-subscription-fees> Note that a substantial part of membership dues is used to support the SAfA Student Travel Fund and to help bring more young scholars to SAfA's meetings.

**Lunch 21-24 September 2020**

Registration also offers the possibility of booking lunch for each day of the conference. Note that lunch will only be available to those who have paid in advance at registration and that opportunities to eat or buy food close to St Hugh's are limited. You are therefore advised to register for this option. Lunch is priced at £ 35.00 for the four days combined.

### **Conference Dinner 23 September 2020**

On registering you will also have the opportunity to sign up and pay for attendance at the conference dinner on the evening of Wednesday 23 September in Lady Margaret Hall, a few minutes walk from St Hugh's. The dinner, inclusive of wine and of pre-dinner drinks, costs £ 65.00 and there is space available for 250 people.

### **Pre-Conference Workshop on Field Camp Wellness and Risk Management on Sunday 20 September**

This workshop, which is aimed at early career researchers, will be led by Dr Kurt Eifling and will take place on Sunday 20 September before the start of the conference. Details are available on the conference website. Please note that this workshop is only available in English and that it will cost £ 30.00.

### **Excursions**

Opportunities to register and pay for organised excursions on Friday 25 September to the Stonehenge and Avebury World Heritage Site and to the Trans-Atlantic Heritage Trail in Bristol will also be available at registration.

### **Travel Grants**

The closing date for all applications for travel grants has now passed. The Organizing Committee intends to make its decisions known by 31 March. However, if you do not receive notification of an award by that date, then please assume that your application has unfortunately been unsuccessful.

### **Visas**

If you require a visa for entry to the United Kingdom and need a letter to confirm your participation in SAfA 2020, or need a letter of the same kind to access funding from your institution, please contact Tim Clack at [timothy.clack@arch.ox.ac.uk](mailto:timothy.clack@arch.ox.ac.uk)

### **Accommodation**

It is expected that most delegates will wish to stay in St Hugh's College, the venue for SAfA 2020. Rooms (some of them double and twin, many with private bathrooms) should be booked **using promotional code KX35543** via the St Hugh's College website at <https://www.st-hughs.ox.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/bed-breakfast/bed-breakfast-booking-form/> Rates include breakfast.

Other sources of accommodation at a variety of prices are given on the conference website. AirBnB is available in Oxford, but you should be aware that many properties may be some distance from the conference venue.

### **Preliminary programme**

The Organizing Committee is busy developing this and it will be made available on the conference website as soon as possible. This will give symposium abstracts and paper/poster titles. A fuller programme will be developed closer to the date of the

conference and include all paper and poster abstracts. Please look on the conference website <https://www.arch.ox.ac.uk/safa-2020> for further information.

We look forward to seeing you in Oxford

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