A History of Archaeology at Oxford

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

12.12.25 | 8:00AM-6:00PM | HB ALLEN CENTRE

8:00am	Arrival
8:30am	Welcome

8:40am Opening address

Professor Amy Bogaard, Chair of European Archaeology

Session 1 OXFORD ORIGINS

9:00am Antiquaries to archaeologists: Oxford from the 17th to the 20th century

Julian Munby

9:20am Pleistocene worlds: intersections in archaeology, anthropology, and geology at Oxford

Dylan Gaffney, Rick Schulting, Eliza Howlett, Rachel Wood

9:40am Eurasian prehistory at Oxford

Manuel Fernández-Götz, Amy Bogaard, Courtney Nimura, Katharina Ulmschneider

10:00am From graves to a global Middle Ages. Medieval archaeology at Oxford, past, present, future

Eleanor Standley, Jane Kershaw, Helena Hamerow

10:20am Discussion

10:30am Break (coffee & tea)

Session 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCE

10:50am Seven decades of RLAHA

Shadreck Chirikure

11:10am History of ancient DNA at Oxford

Greger Larson

11:30am From physical anthropology to biological anthropology to evolutionary anthropology?

Robert Attenborough, Thomas Püschel

11:50am Discussion

12:00pm Lunch break (non-catered)

Session 3 OXFORD AND THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN

1:00pm F.Ll. Griffith, Oxford egyptology and the "Oxford Excavations in Nubia"

Clare Lewis

1:20pm Aegean prehistory at Oxford

Andrew Shapland, Lisa Bendall

1:40pm Greats: archaeology within classics

Jaś Elsner

2:00pm Oxford and the British archaeological institutes of the Levant

Bill Finlayson

2:20pm Discussion

2:30pm Break (coffee & tea)

Session 4 OXFORD AND THE WORLD

2:50pm Ancient West Asian archaeology at Oxford at the turn of the 20th century

Nancy Highcock

3:10pm Africa and Oxford: 150 years of archaeological connections

Peter Mitchell, Tim Forssman

3:30pm A journey to the east – some Oxford contributions to Chinese archaeology

Mark Pollard, Anke Hein

3:50pm Discussion

4:00pm Break (coffee & tea)

Session 5 PRACTICE AND PEDAGOGY

4:20pm Life in photographs: archaeology, Oxford and the personal archive

Beth Hodgett

4:40pm Foundations and refoundings: life and afterlife of the Oxford Archaeological Society

Giulia Meacci, Mark Robinson

5:00pm Teaching archaeology at Oxford – academic, professional and public spaces

Jade Whitlam, David Griffiths, Fay Stevens, Toby Martin, Alison MacDonald

5:20pm Discussion

5:30pm Closing remarks

Dylan Gaffney