

Diary

October

18 (8 p.m.) Enfield Archaeological Society. 'The role of surveying and GIS in professional archaeology', by Duncan Lees. Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane, Enfield.

24 (8 p.m.) Waltham Abbey Historical Society. 'Seeing it through their eyes', by Michael Gandy. Victoria Hall, Greenyard, Waltham Abbey.

November

8 (8 p.m.) Richmond Archaeological Society. 'The origins of the medieval cloister', by John McNeill. Vestry Hall, Paradise Road, Richmond.

11 (7.45 p.m.) West Essex Archaeological Group. 'Iron Age Art', by Jill Cook. The VIth Form Unit, Woodford County High School, High Road, Woodford Green.

12 (8 p.m.) Hendon & District Archaeological Society. 'The ups and downs of life in the British Palaeolithic', by Simon Parfitt. Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley N3.

20 (6.15 p.m.) London & Middlesex Archaeological Society. 'An Illustrated History of the Goldsmith's Company', by David Beasley. Interpretation Unit, Museum of London.

22 (8 p.m.) Waltham Abbey Historical Society. 'Pilgrims to America', by David Young. Victoria Hall, Greenyard, Waltham Abbey.

December

9 (7.45 p.m.) West Essex Archaeological Group. 'Why did they die? – Palaeopathology', by Tony Waldron. The VIth Form Unit, Woodford County High School, High Road, Woodford Green.

13 (8 p.m.) Richmond Archaeological Society. 'The story of Roman pottery', by Robin Symonds. Vestry Hall, Paradise Road, Richmond.

13 (8 p.m.) Waltham Abbey Historical Society. Christmas Meeting: members' talks. Victoria Hall, Greenyard, Waltham Abbey.

18 (6.15 p.m.) London & Middlesex Archaeological Society. 'Estuarine English: the ubiquitous river lighters of Erith', by Giles Dawkes. Interpretation Unit, Museum of London.

January

15 (6.15 p.m.) London & Middlesex Archaeological Society. 'The people of Roman London', by Francis Grew. Interpretation Unit, Museum of London.

24 (8 p.m.) Waltham Abbey Historical Society. 'History of the Palace of Westminster', by Chris Pond. Victoria Hall, Greenyard, Waltham Abbey.

Conferences

Kent Archaeology along the Thames

Foreshore, 2 to 5.30 p.m., Saturday 2 November, at Christ Church University College, North Holmes Road, Canterbury. Speakers include Gus Milne and Brian Philp. Tickets £3 from C.K.A., 7 Sandy Ridge, Borough Green, Kent TN15 8HP (cheques payable to C.K.A.; s.a.e. please).

Roman Temples and Religion in South-East

England, 10.15 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 16 November at Chichester Lecture Theatre, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton. Organised in conjunction with CBA South-East. Tickets price £20; lunch £7.50 extra. Details and application forms from: Roman Temples and Religion in South-East England, Centre for Continuing Education, Education Development Building, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, East Sussex BN1 9RG, tel. 01273 678 040, email cce@sussex.ac.uk, www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/CCE

Courses

Kent Archaeological Field School, Courses in many aspects of practical archaeology until November. Cost £35 per day. Application forms from Kent Archaeological Field School, School Farm Oast, Graveney Road, Faversham, Kent ME13 8UP, tel. 01795 532 548 or 07885 700 112, www.kafs.co.uk.

Day school

Buried Human Remains, Forensic Anthropology and Archaeology, 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 23 November, at Birkbeck Clore Management Centre, 25-27 Torrington Square, WC1. Fee £44 (concessions £22). Details from Lynette Spencer, Faculty of Continuing Education, 26 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DQ, tel. (020) 7631 6659, fax (020) 7631 6686, www.bbk.ac.uk/fce.

Exhibitions

Discovering ancient Afghanistan: the Masson Collection at the British Museum until 9 January. Admission free.

London before London, the new prehistory gallery at the Museum of London opens on Friday 18 October.