

Maritime Archaeology Graduate Symposium

Summary Report

Name of Event: Maritime Archaeology Graduate Symposium (MAGS)

Date of event: February 3-4, 2018

Location: Ioannou Centre, University of Oxford

Number of Persons Attending: 45

Number of Speakers: 25

Organising Committee: Naseem Raad, Ziad Morsy and Crystal Safadi from the University of Southampton. Carlos Cabrera-Tejedor, Elizabeth Briggs, Peter Fiske and Veronica Walker Vadillo from the University of Oxford.

Sponsoring Organisations: Honor Frost Foundation (Day 1), University of Oxford Centre for Maritime Archaeology (Day 2)

Website: <https://generic.wordpress.soton.ac.uk/mags2018/>

The Maritime Archaeology Graduate Symposium, held on February 3-4, 2018, was inspired and sponsored by the Honor Frost Foundation and organised by a team of HFF scholars from the Centre for Maritime Archaeology (CMA) at the University of Southampton along with colleagues from the Oxford Centre for Maritime Archaeology (OCMA). The event provided a platform for early-career researchers working in maritime archaeology to present their research, as well as a vital opportunity to promote collaboration between scholars focused on the eastern Mediterranean.

The two-day symposium proved to be a huge success, with more than 45 attendees and 25 speakers presenting on a number of subjects - ranging from maritime connectivity to ship construction and chemical analysis of shipwreck cargoes. The symposium brought together postgraduates and early-career researchers from various universities in the UK and abroad, such as University College London, University of Sheffield, Exeter University and Cadiz University in Spain.

Day 1, focused on eastern Mediterranean maritime archaeology and sponsored by the HFF, was divided into three sessions of ships and cargoes, maritime movement and trade, and the interpretation and reception of maritime archaeology in the eastern Mediterranean.

Presentations sparked questions and lively discussions from an enthusiastic crowd that benefitted both speakers and attendees. In order to promote and give visibility to postgraduate and early-career research, MAGS invited a number of organisations, such as the International Journal of Nautical Archaeology and BAR Publishing, to set up booths and make brief presentations.

The proceedings of MAGS 2018 are to be published over the coming year as another collaboration between HFF scholars from the CMA and colleagues from OCMA. It is hoped that MAGS can become a regular, annual event for postgraduates and early-careers to present their findings and to become a part of the larger community of early-career researchers focused on eastern Mediterranean maritime archaeology.

Maritime Archaeology Graduate Symposium- DAY 1 (February 3, 2018)

Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66, St Giles, Oxford, OX1 3LU, UK

Time	Activity
9:00-10:00	Registration
10:00-11:00	Keynote Speaker: Dr Jon Henderson (University of Nottingham)
<i>Chair: Crystal Safadi</i>	Session 1: Ships, Cargoes and Piracy in the Eastern Mediterranean
	11:00 Joseph Pacheco- <i>Piracy in the Hellenistic Period: A Misunderstood Phenomenon</i>
	11:20 Nathan Helfman- <i>A comparative Structural Analysis of Shell-first and Frame-based Ships</i>
	11:40 Carlos Cabrera Tejedor- <i>The Mazarron boats: Eastern Mediterranean Phoenician Vessels?</i>
	12:00 Adam Dawson- <i>Pirates in Space: Using Satellite Archaeology to Detect the Remains of Greco-Roman Piracy</i>
	12:20 Elizabeth Briggs- <i>Isotope Analysis of Mazotos shipwreck Olive Stones: Towards a Method of Provenancing Organic Cargoes</i>
	12:40 Panos Tzouvaras- <i>Before Thalassocracies: Reconstructing the Cycladic Longboat and Rethinking its Use and Social Implications in the Early Bronze Age Aegean</i>
13:00-14:00	Lunch
<i>Chair: Elizabeth Briggs</i>	Session 2: Maritime Movement and Trade
	14:00 Peny Tsakanikou- <i>Turn the Sea into Dry Land: Exploring Hominin Movement Patterns in the Lower Palaeolithic Aegean 'dry land': Methodological Challenges.</i>
	14:20 Peter Fiske- <i>Late Bronze Age Eastern Mediterranean Seafarers and Seafaring</i>
	14:40 Dimitris Karampas- <i>The role of the sea in Roman Crete's overall prosperity. A view through the archaeological maritime context</i>
	15:00 Anja Krieger- <i>Networks and Small Worlds in the Eastern Mediterranean Maritime Connectivity in the Late Bronze and Archaic Period</i>
	15:20 Naseem Raad- <i>Roman Trade in the Eastern Mediterranean; A Case Study of Beirut</i>
15:40-16:10	Tea/Coffee break
<i>Chair: Naseem Raad</i>	Session 3: Maritime Archaeology: Interpretation, Analysis and Reception
	16:10 Lucy Semaan- <i>Considerations on the Seascape of Anfeh, North Lebanon</i>
	16:30 Lamia Sassine- <i>Phoenician Material Culture</i>
	16:50 Mai Ghanem- <i>The Perception of Egyptian Maritime Archaeology</i>
	17:10 Achilleas Iasonos- <i>Cyprus Deep-Sea Archaeology</i>
18:00	Wine Reception
19:30	Conference dinner (by invitation)

Maritime Archaeology Graduate Symposium- DAY 2 (February 4, 2018)

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Time

Activity

9:30 - 10:00

Registration

Chair: Carlos Cabrera

Session 4: Voyages and ports

10:00 Kiki Kujjer- *The Role of the Maritime Environment in the Colonisation of Australasia*

10:20 Stephanie Blankshein- *Neolithic Mobility and Maritime Connectivity within the Western Seaways*

10:40 Zeeshan Shaikh- *A Methodological Framework to Reconstruct Ancient Voyages in the Red Sea*

11:00 Marta Del Mastro Ochoa- *Port System of Almeria VIII-XII AD*

11:20 - 11:50

Tea/Coffee break

Chair: Ziad Morsy

Session 5: Recording and reimagining hull structure

11:50 Matt Thompson- *Using Ultra-Short Baseline Acoustic Equipment in Photogrammetry*

12:10 Mateusz Polakowski- *Experimental Archaeology and the Contributory Reconstruction of a Roman Warship*

12:30 Alessandro Ghidoni- *Plank Technology in the Western Indian Ocean*

12:50 - 13:50

Lunch

Chair: Peter Fiske

Session 6: Exploring Maritime Heritage

13:50 Danielle Newman- *Maritime Heritage Engagement in a Modern World*

14:10 Jose Manuel Matés Luque- *Maritime Archaeology in Biscay, Basque Country. Facts, Acts, Research and Opportunities*

14:30 YongHwa Jung- *Introduction of Underwater Archaeology in Korea*

14:50 Cristina Agudo Rey- *Cultural Underwater Heritage of the South Pacific Armada*

15:10 Margaret Amundson- *A Maritime Archaeological Study of the Island of Menorca*

15:30 - 16:00

Tea/Coffee break

16:00 - 17:00

Keynote Speaker: Professor Robin Allaby (University of Warwick)

17:00 - 17:30

Panel Discussion

17:30

Closing remarks