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2016 CONFERENCE FEATURING

- ❖ special tour of Cathedral and its workshops
- ❖ keynote talk by Professor Martin Biddle
- ❖ new research on industry at ecclesiastical sites
- ❖ visits to church sites along the south-east Kentish coast

September 2nd – 4th 2016
at Old Sessions House, Canterbury Christ Church University

<http://www.churcharchaeology.org/conferences.html>

CONFERENCE DETAILS

The 2016 conference will be held in the beautiful cathedral city of Canterbury, the seat of an Archbishop and a major site of pilgrimage since St Augustine. With a workforce of highly skilled artisans and craftsmen still at work at the cathedral today, Canterbury fits perfectly with the theme for this year: 'church and industry', focusing on the association of industrial activity with major monastic institutions from the early medieval to early modern period. This conference brings together an assorted range of talks, revealing new discoveries being made on industry in ecclesiastical contexts and introducing some of the fascinating insights emerging from projects around the country.



Canterbury Cathedral

- ❖ Gabor Thomas, *Power, technology and production at Anglo-Saxon Lyminge Kent*
- ❖ Nancy Holinrake, *Pre-Conquest industrial activity at two Somerset monasteries: Glastonbury and Carhampton*
- ❖ Cecily Spall, *'To make things is to do well': the prehistoric inheritance of the Portmahomack monastic workshops*
- ❖ Hugh Willmott, *Glassmaking in the Saxon monastery, Glastonbury, Barking and beyond*
- ❖ Jenny Alexander, *From Cathedral Workshops to Country House Building Sites: how did stonemasons cope in the Early-Modern period?*
- ❖ Martin Biddle, *Canterbury Cathedral archaeologist: a retrospective*

The main talks on Saturday will be preceded by a limited guided tour of the drawing office and stonemasons' workshops in the Cathedral precincts on the Friday afternoon, followed by a keynote evening lecture at Canterbury Christ Church University by Martin Biddle on his time as cathedral archaeologist, and an informal meal at La Trappiste on Sun Street.

Sunday will be devoted to a full-day excursion to local churches and monastic sites around south-east Kent, including Lyminge, Folkstone and Dover.





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Cathedral stonemasons

On the Friday before the main day of conference talks, a select number of delegates will have the opportunity to join a guided tour of the stone conservation workshops, led by cathedral conservator Heather Newton, which will include the planning and drawing process, tools, techniques and materials used (numbers are strictly limited and will be on a 'first-come, first-served' basis). This opportunity will be followed by the conference keynote talk by Professor Martin Biddle at Old Sessions House, Canterbury Christ Church University, and an informal dinner at La Trappiste, situated in the heart of the city.

Saturday morning will begin with an optional self-tour of the cathedral for those who do not get the opportunity to participate in the workshop tour on the previous day. This will be followed by a full day of talks ranging from production at Anglo-Saxon Lymninge, to early modern stonemasons working on the building of country houses. Saturday evening will then commence with a tour of two World Heritage Sites adjacent to the university campus: St Martin's church and St Augustine's Abbey, both founded in the 6th century, before culminating in the conference dinner at The Parrot, Canterbury's oldest pub with 14th century fabric.



St Martin's, Canterbury



12th c. stained glass from Glastonbury

On the Sunday, we will be taking a coach tour to a range of sites along the south-east coast, beginning with Lyminge, where we will visit the church of St Mary & St Ethelburga and site of the extensive excavations. This will be followed by a visit to St Mary & St Eanswythe, Folkestone, where we will hear about the 'Finding Eanswythe' project, before heading to lunch at the Mayfly pub, Hawkinge. In the afternoon, we will continue west to Dover, where we will visit the Premonstratensian abbey remains of St Radigund's, before heading into the town itself and touring the ruins of the Priory of St Martin at Dover College, followed by St Mary in Castro in the castle grounds.



St Mary in Castro, Dover





TIMETABLE



Friday

14.00-17.00 – Tour of Canterbury workshop, site and cathedral (led by Heather Newton)

17.30-18.30 – Talk by Martin Biddle, *Canterbury Cathedral archaeologist: a retrospective*

19:00 – Informal dinner in town at La Trappiste, Canterbury



*Stained glass conservators,
Canterbury Cathedral*

Saturday

09.00-10.30 – Optional self-guided visit to Cathedral

10.30-10.50 – Registration (tea/coffee)

11.00-11.50 – Gabor Thomas (Univ of Reading), *Power, technology and production at Anglo-Saxon Lyminge Kent*

11.50-12.40 – Nancy Holinrake (Cardiff University), *Pre-Conquest industrial activity at two Somerset monasteries: Glastonbury and Carhampton*

12.40-14.00 – Lunch and AGM

14.00-14.40 – Cecily Spall (FAS Heritage), *'To make things is to do well': the prehistoric inheritance of the Portmahomack monastic workshops*

14.40-15.20 – Hugh Willmott (Univ of Sheffield), *Glassmaking in the Saxon monastery, Glastonbury, Barking and beyond*

15.20-15.50 – Tea and coffee

15.50-16.40 – Jenny Alexander (Univ of Warwick), *From Cathedral Workshops to Country House Building Sites: how did stonemasons cope in the Early-Modern period?*

17.00-18.30 – Tour of St Augustine's and St Martin's (led by Andy Seaman)

19.00-22.00 – Dinner in town at The Parrot, Canterbury



St Augustine's Abbey



St Radigund's Abbey, Dover

Sunday

09.00 – Coach tour leaves Canterbury

09.40-10.50 – Tour Lyminge (led by Gabor Thomas)

11.10-12.15 – Tour St Mary & St Eanswythe, Folkestone

12.30-13.30 – Lunch (The Mayfly, Folkstone)

13.45-17.00 – Tour Dover: St Radigund's Abbey (led by David Stocker);

St Martin's Priory, Dover College (DS);

St Mary in Castro (led by Michael Shapland)

17.30 (approx) – Return to Canterbury

Venue

The conference will be held in Old Sessions House at Canterbury Christ Church University, the main reception on campus (Old Sessions House, North Holmes Rd, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1NX). Please note that parking is limited on campus, but those who require disabled parking may contact reception. Otherwise, delegates might find it more convenient to arrive by public transport, park at their accommodation, or park in long stay parking near campus (see Travel Information).

Accommodation

The following list of suggested accommodation in Canterbury may be helpful:

Falstaff Hotel, Canterbury – 01227 462138

Millers Arms – 01227 456057

Premier Inn Canterbury City Centre – 0871 527 9408

Booking

- Delegates may wish to note that SCA membership starts at £12
- To register please either post the following form to our Conference Secretary, Dr Anne Sassin (101 St Peter's Gardens, Wrecclesham, Farnham, Surrey GU10 4QZ) with a cheque made out to the **Society for Church Archaeology**, or download from the SCA website and return by email (asassinallen@gmail.com) – please also contact by email for queries about booking, or by telephone (07896 125207)

- Please choose from the following options:

Friday afternoon tour of cathedral workshops*

SCA members and non-members £25

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*please note the limited numbers which are on a first-come, first-served basis – delegates MUST confirm their spot with the organizer first

Friday evening keynote lecture

SCA members, CCCU staff/students, Friends of Canterbury Cathedral FREE** []

**non-members are asked to make a £5 donation for this event

Friday evening dinner (to be paid direct at venue)

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Saturday conference, including lunch***

***this fee does not include entry for the optional tour of the cathedral in the morning

SCA members £45

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Non-members £55

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Saturday conference dinner £20

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Sunday tour, including lunch at the Mayfly, Hawkinge

SCA members £25

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Non-members £35

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- Deadline for booking is Wednesday, August 17th (please contact organizer after this date)

- Name _____

Contact number _____ Email _____

Contact address _____

Travel Information

By Train

- Canterbury has a main line connection to London, and both Canterbury West and East train stations are minutes away from the CCCU campus on foot (or by taxi)

By Bus

- Buses on route numbers 13, 13a, 14, 14a, 23 and 25a stop at the HM Prison Bus Stop on Long Port Lane, across from the campus, on a regular basis

By Taxi

- Taxis are available from a taxi rank within the train stations, or if you prefer to book in advance the below numbers might be helpful:

Longley's Private Hire 01227 710777

Cab Line 6 Ltd 01227 666666

Please note that the conference venue is Canterbury Christ Church University, rather than the University of Canterbury

By Car

- Note that parking is limited on campus, but delegates who require disabled or special day-parking may be able to receive a parking permit by contacting either reception at CCCU (01227 767700) or the Conference Secretary ahead of the conference (asassinallen@gmail.com). Otherwise, delegates might find it more convenient to arrive by public transport, park at their accommodation, or park at the Long Port Pay and Display Car Park on the junction of upper Chantry Lane and Long Port (across the road from St Augustine's Abbey).

