

## CALL FOR PAPERS AND REGISTRATION

Oxford Postgraduate Conference in Assyriology (OPCA) / April 15-16, 2016

The organisers of the fifth annual Oxford Postgraduate Conference in Assyriology (OPCA) wish to extend an invitation to all UK, European, and overseas students whose research relates to the field of Assyriology. The aim of the conference is to provide a forum for students at the postgraduate and postdoctorate levels to present their research to a group of peers and to establish connections with colleagues. This year also marks the 125th anniversary of Assyriology at Oxford University, for which Wolfson College will be hosting a separate evening reception to coincide with OPCA. All OPCA participants are invited and encouraged to attend.

This two-day conference will be held at Wolfson College, Oxford from Friday morning, 15 April to Saturday evening, 16 April, 2016. The conference is pleased to announce that our invited senior talk will be given by Dr. Paul Collins (Oxford University, Ashmolean Museum).

There is a conference fee of £15 that goes towards hospitality costs and allows us to continue awarding student grants for attendance. The fee is subsidised and the costs of the conference met by our generous financial supporters. Refreshments between sessions, lunch, and a Saturday evening wine reception are included.

Our call for papers has a submission deadline of February 25th, 2016. Please email <mailto:opca@orinst.ox.ac.uk> with your proposed paper title and a brief abstract (approximately 250 words). Successful papers are allotted 20 minutes followed by questions.

For registration information and further details, please see our website:

<http://oxfordassyriology.wordpress.com>. You can also get information and updates from Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/opcassyriology/>) or follow us on Twitter at @opcassyriology.

OPCA is generously sponsored by the Lorne Thyssen Research Fund for Ancient World Topics at Wolfson College (University of Oxford), the Wolfson College Academic Committee, the British Institute for the Study of Iraq, and the London Centre for the Ancient Near East.

### BURSARY AWARDS:

We will be awarding three travel and accommodation bursaries for participants outside of the UK on a competitive basis. The awards will consist of a stipend of £125 and reimbursement for accommodation. In order to be considered for a bursary, you must email your CV and an abstract (approximately 250 words) of your paper in application to <mailto:opca@orinst.ox.ac.uk> by February 15th, 2016. Bursaries will be chosen by an independent selection committee to include Professor Andrew R. George (University of London, School of Oriental and Asian Studies), Dr. Yağmur Heffron (University College London), and Dr. Jonathan Taylor (The British Museum).

With best wishes,

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