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**Canberra Archaeological Society/Centre for Archaeological Research  
Public Lecture  
Manning Clark Theatre 6**

**Wednesday 17 October 2012  
Refreshments 6.30pm Talk 7pm**

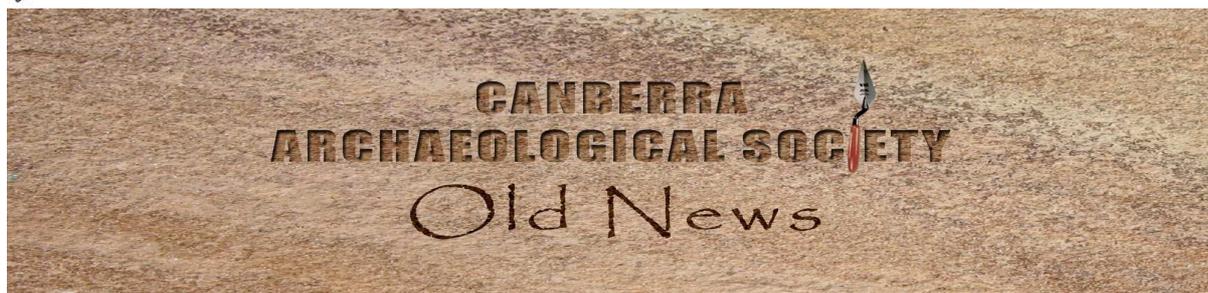
**The Maldives in an Indian Ocean Network  
Rani Litster**

The unity of the Indian Ocean is often associated with long distance trade and this is evident in the archaeological record. Archaeological assemblages documenting such exchange have been found ranging from Indonesia to India to Arabia. The Maldives are central to this theme, as they became integrated into the Indian Ocean Network as a direct consequence of their positioning directly below South Asia and their intersection through many Indian Ocean trade routes. In addition, there were resources available which enabled entry into a larger economy - such as an abundance and effective processing of *cypraea moneta* (cowry), ambergris and coir rope.

This research aims to examine the available archaeological record in the Maldives from the early period and assess the position of the Maldives in this Indian Ocean Network during the Iron Age.

The sites examined in the discussion are: the viharas of Nilandu and Kaashidhoo, the hawittas (stupas) of Gaaf Gan and Fuah Mulaku and assemblages found at Vadu. There are several sets of data that will be utilised to better address the position of the Maldives in this network and they include: (a) monumental architecture, (b) ceramics, (c) non-ceramic material culture and (d) faunal material.

**Mirani Litster** is currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Archaeology and Natural History at the Australian National University. Her research focusses on the archaeology of the Maldives and the remote western Indian Ocean. She attained a Bachelor of Forensic Archaeology (Honours) from Flinders University in Adelaide.



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**Centre for Archaeological Research Lecture Series**

**Fri, 12 Oct 03:30pm**

Manning Clark Theatre 6

[Heritage Preservation and Indigeneity in Laos](#)

Dr Anna Karlstrom

**Fri, 19 Oct 03:30am**

Lecture Theatre 1,

Hedley Bull Centre

(130), Garran Road, ANU

[Increasing Complexity and the Political Economy Model: A Consideration of Iron Age Moated Sites in Thailand](#)

Dr Dougald O'Reilly, School of Archaeology and Anthropology, ANU

**CAS/CAR Public Lecture and CAS AGM**

Wednesday 21st November

6.30pm for refreshments,

7.00pm the lecture

**Follow CAS on Facebook!**

<http://on.fb.me/xqYIVS>) Talks, social events, meetings, all activities related to CAS will now be advertised on the Facebook page in addition to the actual CAS website (cas.asn.au). Make sure to "like" it to stay in touch with the society and don't miss anything happening. Please log in.



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## What's On?

### **INVITATION TO REGISTER AN INTEREST IN ATTENDING A ONE DAY TRAINING SESSION ON COMPLIANCE WITH ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE LAW AND REGULATION IN SOUTHERN NSW**

You and/or your organisation are invited to register an interest in attending a one day training session that will provide information on compliance with Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (including the 2010 amendments) and Part 8A of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009 (which replaces the 2002 regulation).

There have been considerable changes to the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage (ACH) sections of the Act and the Regulation as a result of the 2009 and 2010 amendments. One of the most significant amendments has removed the 'unknowing defence' and replaced it with a 'due diligence defence'. This means that any person or organisation that harms any Aboriginal object (whether the presence of that Aboriginal object is known or not) will have no defence against prosecution unless they have completed a 'Due Diligence Assessment of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage' or have received an appropriate Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) from the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH).

All individuals and organisations that have involvement in Aboriginal cultural heritage assessments, land and infrastructure development, rural and mining industries, land use planning and development control will find this training can assist in ensuring compliance with the Act and Regulation. It should be noted that heavy fines may be imposed upon parties found guilty of breaches of the Act and Regulation but OEH prefers to improve compliance through education rather than prosecution. Please forward this email to any individuals and/or organisations that may have an interest.

The training will be provided to all who anticipate that involvement in ACH assessment and compliance within the South Branch of OEH will be required now or in future.

It is anticipated that a number of training days will be offered.

Please advise of your intention to attend, your preferred locations (so that we can organise appropriate venues), and your preferred time of year via return email before Friday 19 October 2012.

If you have any questions please contact me:

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**Public lecture Unidentified Remains - past and present with Dr Susan Hayes**

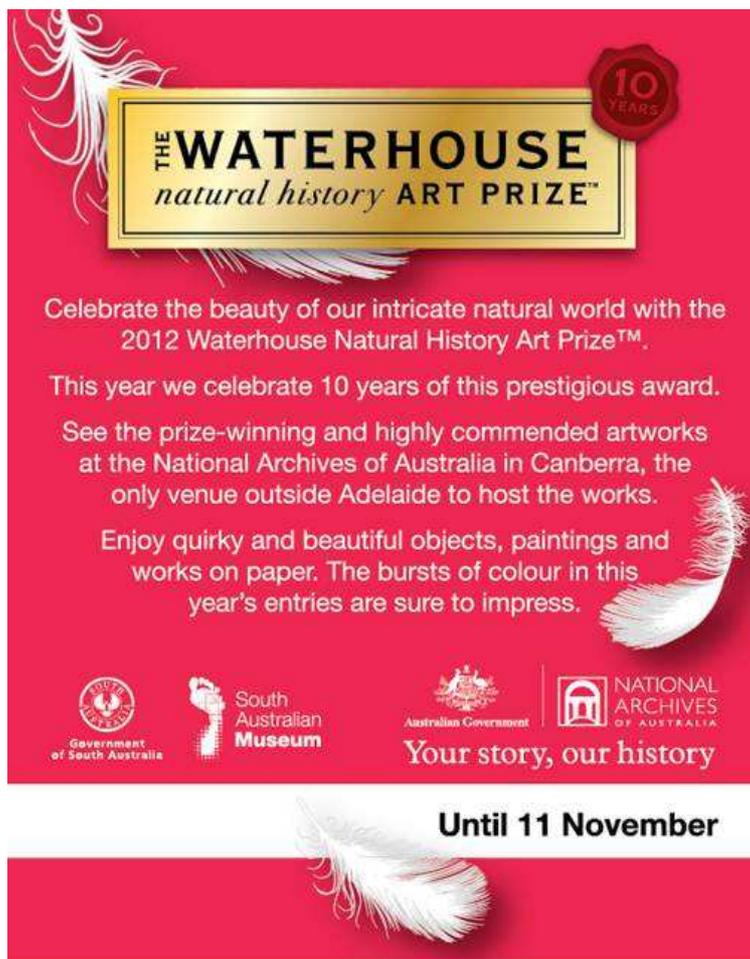


**When:** 4 pm, Tuesday 2  
October

**Cost:** Free

**Where:** CSIRO Discovery  
Clunies Ross Street  
Black Mountain

Dr Susan Hayes is a facial anthropologist specialising in evidence-based facial approximations of the deceased, including forensic as well as archaeological remains. Find out how much we really do differ beneath the skin and how the experts do it.



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## It's on Again: 7th Reid Open Houses and Gardens

**Sunday 28 October 2012; 1.30 to 4.30 pm**

The National Trust (ACT) in conjunction with the Reid Residents' Association (RRA) will hold the 7<sup>th</sup> annual **Open Houses and Gardens** in Reid on **Sunday 28 October**.

This popular event includes visits to three different heritage-listed private homes and gardens each year, as well as introductory talks by experts on the heritage of Reid, a visit to the Reid Tennis Club to hear about its early history and current membership offering, and a delicious afternoon tea put on by the Reid Pre-school Parents and Teachers.

The event is suitable for adults, but not young children. A prior booking is necessary through the National Trust (ACT) by either calling into its office in Civic at the North Building (1<sup>st</sup> floor) London Circuit, or by calling the office on telephone (02) 6230 0533 between 9.30am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Tickets cost \$25 per adult for National Trust, RRA and U3A members and \$35 for non-members and include afternoon tea and a hand-out on each house and garden. Alternatively, you can book on-line at the Trust's web site: <http://www.nationaltrustact.org.au/> and go the tag "**Events and Meetings**" Credit cards are accepted. Proceeds go to support the work of the National Trust (ACT) and RRA.

The event has been very popular in past years and an early booking is advisable. Remember, the houses and gardens are different to those previously opened and this will be your one chance to see inside these special houses, to meet and speak to the owners and to stroll around the restored and redeveloped gardens.

This year three Federal Capital Commission (FCC) houses and gardens will be opened by their owners. All of the houses were originally constructed by private builders for the FCC in the second half of the 1920s and have subsequently been sympathetically extended and renovated.

The houses comprise:

- a **FCC Type 3 house** (original cost £1,445 (or \$2,890) – including fuel store, tool house and gravel footpath),
- a **FCC Type 4 house** (original cost £1,420 (or \$2,840) – including fuel store, tool house and gravel footpaths), and
- a **FCC Type 10 house** (original cost £1,310 (or \$2,620) – including fuel store, tool house and gravel footpaths).

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to see sympathetically restored heritage-listed private homes and gardens in Reid.



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## National Trust of Australia (ACT) Members Night

### “The History and Heritage Values of The Causeway Hall”

Wednesday 21 November 5.30-7.30pm

Causeway Hall, Spinifex St, Kingston

Hear about the history and heritage values of the Hall and about the people who built, used it and lived around it in its early days. Our speakers will be **Jenny Horsfield** who will speak on C.S. Daley and his connection with early Canberra, **Bishop Power** relating his own personal experience of the people and social life of the Causeway as a newly ordained priest whose parish covered the Causeway and well-known Canberran, **Kevin Gill**, who will tell the stories that he recalls of people who lived in the area. Cost: \$10.00

Bookings essential: call the office on 6230 0533 or email [info@nationaltrustact.org.au](mailto:info@nationaltrustact.org.au).

### Global Eco program showcases world leading ecotourism best practice.

Download the Program Brochure <<https://promo-manager.server-secure.com/ch/4892/rc0m17/516960/d7eacrvtd.pdf>> (PDF) to view the full line-up of keynote speakers from across the globe who are set to gather in Cairns from 15-17 October 2012.

Where: Pullman Reef Hotel, Cairns, Queensland

When: Monday 15 to Wednesday 17 October 2012 Register to attend:

[www.globaleco.com.au](http://www.globaleco.com.au) <<https://promo-manager.server-secure.com/ch/4892/rc0m17/371286/d7eac8pvp.html>>

Over three blockbuster days, sixty speakers will come together with representatives from across the tourism industry to discuss the key challenges and opportunities for ecotourism now and beyond to 2020.

### ***And another excuse to head to the sun:***

'Transforming Tindale' exhibition and associated events are being held at the State Library of Queensland in Brisbane from September to December 2012. Unheard stories are given a voice in this powerful exhibition of scientific photographs and contemporary artworks, exploring the legacy of a 1938 anthropological expedition to Aboriginal communities.

Artist Vernon Ah Kee has drawn on photographs of his family from the Tindale collection to produce poignant works capturing the personalities behind the scientific images. Transforming Tindale is a thought-provoking journey into the Tindale Genealogical Collection, what it means to Aboriginal people and its place in Queensland's history.

<http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on/calevents/general/exhibitions/transforming-tindale>



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## INTERESTING WEBSITES

### Oldest tooth filling may have been found

What people did about their toothaches thousands of years ago? Scientists in Italy have discovered what may be the earliest evidence of therapeutic dentistry performed on a human.

A report on the discovery of a beeswax filling on the left canine of a 6,500-year-old human jawbone from Slovenia is at this site:

<http://lightyears.blogs.cnn.com/2012/09/19/oldest-tooth-filling-may-have-been-found/>

Scientists do not know whether therapeutic dentistry was widely practiced in Neolithic Europe.

*Arctic archaeological site threatened by climate change*

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-19521091>

Large Roman mosaic and bath found in ancient Turkish city of Antiochia ad Cragnum

[http://www.catholic.org/international/international\\_story.php?id=47683](http://www.catholic.org/international/international_story.php?id=47683)

*Mexican archaeologists enter previously undisturbed Mayan tomb.*

<http://www.examiner.com/article/archaeologists-enter-unexplored-untouched-mayan-tomb>

Tribute to deceased archaeologist: Port Arthur PhD collection for public display.

[http://www.themercury.com.au/article/2012/09/15/361571\\_tasmania-news.html](http://www.themercury.com.au/article/2012/09/15/361571_tasmania-news.html)

Does UK Child Protection Unit overlook the grave of the killer of the princes in the tower?

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/science/2012/sep/23/richard-3rd-third-iii-leicester-bones?newsfeed=true>

*Did the Battle of Bannockburn take place in the grounds of a police HQ?*

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/earth/environment/archaeology/9552291/Archaeologists-dig-to-find-site-of-Battle-of-Bannockburn.html>

Spanish hunter-gatherers practiced recycling.

<http://www.sci-news.com/archaeology/article00601.html>

*Big stone cistern uncovered in Jerusalem but excavation methods controversial.*

<http://www.haaretz.com/news/national/israeli-archaeologists-uncover-3-000-year-old-cistern-in-jerusalem.premium-1.463226>

New odeon, roads, mosaics and water system found in ancient Turkish city of Kibyra

<http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/excavation-season-ends-at-ancient-kibyra.aspx?pageID=238&nID=30758&NewsCatID=375>



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## News

### Do you work with an inspirational woman?

ANU is well known, internally and externally, for its unique character.

Part of this is a warm, egalitarian 'Australianness' but it can also manifest as the 'blokey' culture of an institution that is numerically and visibly male in its academic and governance profiles. But this university is also constituted by immense female talent, not only that of world-class female scholars and teachers, but also by the women who create our institutional DNA as administrators and service providers.

If you know a woman in your academic, professional, administrative, technical or support areas that you feel should be recognised for their contribution to ANU, please let us know. Nominations will be placed on the ANU Gender Institute website (you can read the nominations so far:

[http://genderinstitute.anu.edu.au/people/anu\\_inspiring\\_women\\_nominations.php](http://genderinstitute.anu.edu.au/people/anu_inspiring_women_nominations.php)).

A selection of these women will be profiled in written articles, with accompanying photographic portraits, that will be gathered together in a full colour publication to be launched at the Gender Institute's second birthday in March 2013.

If you would like to nominate an inspirational woman please contact Karen Downing ([karen.downing@anu.edu.au](mailto:karen.downing@anu.edu.au)).

*European Journal of Archaeology* is Maney Publishing's Journal of the Month in September 2012. We are making 3 years' worth of online content (that's twelve issues) free to download until 15<sup>th</sup> October 2012, you can access the content on the Journal of the Month webpage: <http://www.maney.co.uk/jotm/eja>.

Other highlights include:

- Video: An interview with general editor Robin Skeates
- Video: Spotlight on underwater archaeology
- How to get published in archaeology
- The history of the EAA by Fritz Lüth and Mark Pearce
- Is it the oldest modern human fossil in Europe?
- Flint daggers: imitation or original?
- Gender archaeology: bias within the bias?
- Sneak peek: forthcoming articles in EJA
- Meet the reviews editors, Leonardo García Sanjuán and Estella Weiss-Krejci



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### Australian Archaeological Association

We would like to let you know that we have started to post news of upcoming events (esp. seminars) on our AAA website and will shortly be switching to an email list based from the website - more details on that will be released soon. Seminars can be viewed at the bottom of our home page

<http://www.australianarchaeology.com/>, other news stories including announcements from AAA and job announcements can be found on our blog <http://www.australianarchaeology.com/blog/>.

If anyone has an upcoming event (seminar, conference, open day etc) that they would like to see posted to the website and on the AAA mailing list please let us know - disseminating information to our members is one of the main aims of AAA but of course it's hard to keep people updated on events that we don't know about. You can send event details to [secretary@australianarchaeology.com](mailto:secretary@australianarchaeology.com) and/or [membershipsecretary@australianarchaeology.com](mailto:membershipsecretary@australianarchaeology.com).

### 2012 National Trust Christmas Cards

Our 2012 Christmas cards (see images here: [Holly](#); [Warratah](#); [Bethlehem](#)) will soon be available to buy from the NT office, Level 1, North Bld, Civic Square Mon-Fri between 9.30-3pm or from the Combined Charity Card Christmas Shop, which will be situated in the foyer of the City United Church, off Northbourne Ave from Mon 29 October until Thurs 13 December 10am-4pm. Pack of 10 cards - \$10.00 NT members; \$12.00 non-members. **Orders taken now – 6230 0533.**

### ACT and Region Annual Australian Heritage Partnership Symposium 2012

#### Valuing Heritage: Advocating for community attachment in planning

Summaries of the day and the speakers and some of the presentations can be found at:

<http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/act/HeritageSymposium>

More will be available shortly.