

The Roman Finds Group Autumn Conference

in association with

Colchester and Ipswich Museums

Finds from Roman Colchester

Monday November 11th 2019

(with the option of a pre meeting (10th November) walking tour of Roman Colchester)

The 2019 RFG Autumn Meeting is based at the Colchester Castle Museum and will be a one-day conference on Monday 11th November. We would like to thank, in particular, Glynn Davis and Ben Paites of Colchester and Ipswich Museums (<https://cimuseums.org.uk/>) for hosting this meeting as well as ensuring free Museum entry (normally £9.95) to Conference delegates and organising lunch time tours (normally £3). Please note that places on the tours will be limited and allocated on a first come basis. We should also like to thank Colchester Archaeological Trust for their significant paper contribution and recent excavation finds viewing.

The conference comprises three sessions of papers with eleven talks covering various aspects of Finds from Roman Colchester. It coincides with a major exhibition at the Colchester Castle 'Adorn' and there will be time to view this over lunch. We are getting more and more people to our meetings and as this meeting will also be advertised locally early booking is strongly advised. The cost of the meeting is £18 for fully paid up RFG members, £15 for students and £22 for non-members. Applications can be made by filling out the form below and returning it with the required payment to the address stated.

What's included?

- Access to all conference sessions and poster viewings.
- Tea, coffee, and biscuits as per the conference programme.
- Free entry to the Museum
- Choice of a lunchtime tour either to the Museum Vaults or the Castle Roof

Book Sales/Poster Displays/Finds viewing

There will be space for posters, and discussion during breaks. There will also be space for the sale of books should anyone wish to do so. Finds from recent excavations at Colchester will also be on display. If so, please contact Stephen Greep at sjgreep@romanfinds.org.uk in advance.

Roman Colchester – a pre-conference afternoon with Philip Crummy.

A pre meeting chance to hear about recent excavations at Colchester while on an afternoon walking tour of Roman Colchester. Starting from the main entrance gate into the Castle Park, concluding with an afternoon cream tea (included) at the recently discovered Circus. Sunday November 10th, 13.00. More details on booking. Numbers limited – pre booking essential. Cost £5

Roman Colchester – conference lunch time optional visits

Apart from an opportunity to visit the 'Adorn' Exhibition, throughout the lunch break Philip Crummy has kindly agreed to be at the 'Claudian arcade' (which is named after the recently exposed remains under glass of the huge monumental colonnade which stood in front of the Temple of Claudius). You do not need to book for this. You do need to book, however, if you would like to visit either the Castle Vaults (foundations of the Temple of Claudius) or get the views from the Castle ramparts (see booking form).



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RFG meeting bursaries

Appropriate RFG members will be able to apply for bursaries towards attending this meeting. Details of the RFG bursary scheme is available on our web site:

<http://www.romanfindsgroup.org.uk/roman+finds+group+grants>

Lunch Arrangements

There are a number of places for lunch in the immediate vicinity of the Museum, a list for guidance will be provided on the day.

Getting to the Castle Museum

Information about getting to Colchester Castle (including car parking advice) can be found here:

<https://cimuseums.org.uk/visit/venues/colchester-castle/making-a-visit/>

Questions and Further Information

Questions about the RFG meeting should be emailed to Stephen Greep at: sjgreep@romanfinds.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you in Colchester.



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Finds from Roman Colchester Conference Schedule

- 10.00 **Registration (with tea, coffee and biscuits)**
- 10.30 Welcome: Glynn Davies, Colchester and Ipswich Museums

Session one:

Chair: Jenny Hall, Roman Finds Group

- 10.35 Nina Crummy, Independent researcher. The early history of Colchester Museum and its collections.
- 11.00 Matt Fittock, Finds Liaison Officer, (Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire), Portable antiquities Scheme. The Pipeclay Figurines from the Colchester Childs Burial.
- 11.25 Glynn Davis, Colchester and Ipswich Museums. An Amber distaff discovered in Colchester Museum's collections.
- 11.50 Ben Paites, Colchester and Ipswich Museums. Beauty is in the eye of the beholder: Roman brooches of Colchester
- 12.15 Glynn Davis and Ben Paites, Colchester and Ipswich Museums: Adorn: The Exhibition
- 12.35 **Lunch and**
- viewing of 'Adorn' Exhibition
 - tour of the Museum Vaults or Castle roof

Session Two

Chair: Glynn Davis Colchester and Essex Museums

- 14.00 Frank Hargrave, Colchester and Ipswich Museums. Gosbecks; Iron Age continuity or Roman appropriation? The material evidence.
- 14.25 Laura Pooley, Colchester Archaeological Trust. An animal headed linch-pin from Colchester's Roman circus.
- 14.50 Emma Holloway, Colchester Archaeological Trust. Lead coffins from Colchester: An illustrator's view
- 15.15 **Coffee, Tea and biscuits – viewing of posters and finds**



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Session Three

Chair: Stephen Greep, Meetings Co-ordinator, Roman Finds Group

- 15.45 Sophie Flynn – Finds Liaison Officer (Essex), Portable Antiquities Scheme. Recent PAS finds from Colchester and Essex.
- 16.10 Edwin Wood, King’s College, London. The Roman Military Equipment from Colchester.
- 16.35 Adam Parker, Open University. Roman Magic: The Camulodunum Case Study
- 17.00 Closing remarks: Chairman Roman Finds Group.



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If you wish to attend the conference please complete the following form and return it with a cheque made out to The Roman Finds Group. Post to Stephen Greep, 6 The Redwoods, Willerby, Hull. HU10 6DQ or email: sjgreep@romanfinds.org.uk

Name(s):

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Meeting Attendance

I would like the following (please indicate number of attendees):

.....RFG Member £18

... ..Non-Member £22

.....Student £15

I would like to join the Sunday afternoon walking tour of Roman Colchester£5

Total amount of cheque enclosed/ paid by BACS (Roman Finds Group, Branch: Lloyds, Holborn Circus Acc. No. 01006637; Sort Code: 30-94-31)

£.....

I would like to book a tour of the Castle Vaults..... Castle Roof.....

I would like to bring a poster/finds (details)

**We treat the protection of your data seriously. Your information will only be used to correspond with you about the conference and not be passed to any third party.



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