KEY INFORMATION

Roman Archaeology Conference XIII
and
Theoretical Roman Archaeology Conference XXVIII

12-15 April 2018
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KEY INFORMATION

The conference will take place in the central campus. The main venue will be the Appleton Tower, with a workshop in the David Hume Tower beside it.

Registration
Registration will take place on the ground floor of Appleton Tower from 8:15 on the first day of the conference and from 8:30 on Friday and Saturday. It will also be possible to register between 15:00 and 17:00 on the Wednesday before the start of the conference in Appleton Tower.

Conference Opening
The conference will start on Thursday 12 April and the day will be closed by a welcome and our keynote lecture by Dr. Elizabeth Fentress, beginning at 18:15 in Lecture Theatre 5 of Appleton Tower. After the keynote, a reception will be held at the National Museum of Scotland from 19:30–21:00 (the National Museum is a short walk from the central university area, and is labelled on the large map).

TRAC Party
The famous TRAC party (this year in the form of a traditional Scottish ceilidh) will be hosted on Friday from 20:00–24:00 at “The Venue” (Potterow) in the central university area (labelled on the detail map), 3 minutes’ walk from Appleton Tower.

Refreshments and Meals
Mid-morning and mid-afternoon coffee and tea breaks will be hosted on the ground floor of Appleton Tower; coffee with pastries will provided on the first morning of the conference as well. Daily lunch breaks will be from 13:00–14:00, and affordable lunches may be purchased from a variety of shops and restaurants surrounding the university. A particularly dense area, located east of the university, has been indicated on the detail map. For evening dining options, a variety of affordable quality restaurants may be found on Nicholson Street and other streets east of the university (the same area as lunch options), as well as along Lothian road, west of the university. More formal dining options may be found on the Royal Mile (north of the university), on the way to New Town (further north, along the Mound), and...
along Princes Street in New Town (these locations are indicated on the large map.) Furthermore a series of deals and discounts at local restaurants and pubs can be secured on presentation of the conference badge:

- **Pear Tree** (pub): meal deals (both lunch and dinner), 15% discount on normal menu and drinks, possibility of pre-order and take away (see flyers)
- **Red Box** (Asian restaurant and take away): 10% discount on food
- **Pizza Posto** (Italian Pizzeria): lunch deals, 10% discount on food outside the lunch deals
- **Beirut** (Lebanese): £5 take away deal
- **Mosque Kitchen** (curry): £6 curry and drink

**Name Badges & Lanyards**

Please wear these throughout the conference as they will grant you access to all the session, events, and to the meal and drink discounts.

**Conference Trip**

The conference trip to the Antonine Wall will be led by Prof. David Breeze and Dr Rebecca Jones. Buses will leave Appleton Tower at 9 am and return by 4 pm. The trip is currently full-booked but we have created a waiting list in case some places become available (please send an e-mail to the organizers if you wish to add your name to the waiting list). In advance of the trip, please consider downloading the Antonine Wall phone app: [http://www.antoninewall.org/visiting-the-wall/download-the-app](http://www.antoninewall.org/visiting-the-wall/download-the-app)

**Social Media Policy**

We encourage tweeting from the conference, please use hashtag #RACTRAC2018. All sessions are open for tweeting unless otherwise specified by the session organisers. TRAC also has a Twitter account (@TRAC_Conference) which has details of events and sessions going on during TRAC.

**Transportation**

If arriving by train, or from the airport on the Airlink bus or the tram, there is a series of bus services (n. 3, 5, 7, 8, 29, 30, 31, 33, 37, and 49) that go from Princess Street to Nicholson Street (less than 2 minutes’ walk from Appleton tower). Ticket cost £1.70 and need to be paid on board in exact change. However, the venue is less a short 15 minutes’ walk from Waverley Station.

**Visiting Edinburgh**

Edinburgh is a vibrant international city, home to a variety of attractions, including Edinburgh Castle, the Royal Mile and historic Old Town, Calton Hill, Arthur’s Seat, and the Whisky Experience. The city features a beautiful blend of Georgian, Neoclassical, and Reformation architecture which has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Edinburgh is also host to a number of museums and historical institutions, including the National Museum, National Library, and the Scottish National Gallery, among a number of other museums. Dubbed the “Athens of the North” during the Scottish Enlightenment, Edinburgh is a cultural, historical, and artistic hub. Edinburgh also has the distinction of being the birthplace of Harry Potter. The official guide to Edinburgh can be found at edinburgh.org.
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<td>Lecture Theatre 5, Lecture Theatre 4, Lecture Theatre 3, Lecture Theatre 2, Lecture Theatre 1</td>
<td>Projecting Roman Power? Monumentality in Roman Frontier Installations</td>
<td>From Plans to Processes: A New Look at the Cities of Roman North Africa</td>
<td>Reuse and Transformation of Space in the Late Antique ‘Latin West’</td>
<td>Defining Viridia: New Perspectives on Roman Gardens and Designed Landscapes</td>
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<td>18:15</td>
<td>Lecture Theatre 5</td>
<td>Welcome by RAC and TRAC Committees</td>
<td>Keynote Lecture – Dr Elizabeth Fentress: Slaving Societies</td>
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| 19:30     | Reception                          | (National Museum of Scotland)
### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018

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<td>Ancient Consciousness of Connectivity in the Roman World</td>
<td>Quantifying Public Construction: Figure Labour, Territory Exploitation and Cost of Production</td>
<td>Beyond Adoption, Imitation, Hybridization: Representation and Visuality within and beyond the Roman Frontiers</td>
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<td>Cities in Transition: Urban Space in Asia Minor in the 3&lt;sup&gt;rd&lt;/sup&gt; and 4&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; Centuries AD</td>
<td>‘War and Peace!’ Roman Coin Hoards in Archaeological Contexts</td>
<td>Remembering and Social Memory in the Roman West</td>
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<td>20:00</td>
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### Saturday 14\textsuperscript{th} April 2018

| From 8:15 | **Registration & Information Desk** (Ground floor, Appleton Tower)  
**Poster Session III** (First Floor Balcony, Appleton Tower) |
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| 9:00-13:00 | Lecture Theatre 5  
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David Hume Tower LG.09  
Lecture Theatre 1 |
| **Session 5a** | Shopping and the Roman City  
The Comparative Archaeology of the Roman Conquest: New Research in Gaul, Britain, and Iberia |
| **Session 5b** | The Mediterranean Countryside in Late Antiquity |
| **Session 5c** | The Praxis of (Roman) Archaeology: Alienation and Redemption |
| **Session 5d-1** | A Place for an Experiment in Roman Studies |
| **Session 5d-2** | TRAC General Session 2 |

#### Lunch Break (13:00-14:00)

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<td>Words and Pictures: Reading Verbal and Visual Messages from Sanctuaries in the Roman West</td>
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<td>New Archaeological Perspectives on Imperial Properties in Roman Italy</td>
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<td>Crafts: Everyday Technologies in the Ancient World</td>
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### Sunday 15\textsuperscript{th} April

Antonine Wall trip: buses depart from outside Appleton Tower at 9 am and return at 4 pm