



Members eBulletin, December 2022

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CIfA NEWS ROUNDUP



**We'd like to wish you
all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!**

We need you!



We need you for application panels!

**Are you interested in ensuring that
archaeologists have the knowledge, skills
and professionalism to meet the needs of
society, clients and stakeholders in the
future? If so, we need you!**

We have vacancies for professional
review panellists to help us assess competence
through our professional accreditation processes.

Professional review panellists...

- are volunteers working alongside our [Validation committee](#) to assess professional competence
- must have appropriate knowledge and competence – we are looking to recruit a range of panellists with expertise across all areas of archaeological practice
- will ideally be accredited at Member (MCIfA) level and confident discussing ethical issues
- must be independent and follow robust conflict of interest procedures
- will ideally be familiar with competence-based interviewing or assessing (training will be provided)
- are prepared to commit a minimum of two days per year

For further information and/or an informal discussion please contact Lianne at lianne.birney@archaeologists.net

Congratulations to our new MCIfA members

**Congratulations to the first Members' (MCIfA's) to have their
ethical competence tested as well as their technical competence!**

Panels undertook professional review interviews in September and the Validation committee assessed their competence and accredited them.

Find out how to [join them here](#).

One successful applicant said:

“The interviewers made me feel at ease very quickly, and there are no trick questions, it’s more about how you work in line with the CIfA guidance.”

New Roman Coinage Toolkit



Introducing a new online Toolkit providing resources to support the planning, commissioning, production or monitoring of a specialist report on Roman coins

CIfA is pleased to launch a new Toolkit on reporting Roman coins. Developed by Dr Peter Guest, [Vianova Archaeology & Heritage Services](#) with funding from Historic England.

It has been designed to be used for the reporting of Roman coin finds from all types of archaeological projects (surface collection, watching briefs, evaluations and full-scale excavations), and at all stages of a project’s life cycle (from initiation and planning, collection, post-excavation assessment and analysis, to the preparation of archive reports and publications).

To find out more and to access the resource see the [press release here](#)

Book Reviews



You can find our full list of books available for review [here](#).

If you are interested in sending in a publication to be included in our reviews please send an email to admin@archaeologists.net

If you need any further information please see our [book review guidance](#)

Membership update - get accredited for directory



Get accredited for CIfA’s Directory of accredited professionals

Need an activity or excuse to escape the seasonal events over the Christmas break, why not grab a mince pie* and start writing your accredited application?! *other snacks are available

If you successfully apply or upgrade and pay your [subscription fee](#) you can be listed in the online [Directory of Accredited Professionals](#) that is available to members and the public. We also publish the Client Guide with reference to this and it is circulated to over 5,000 contacts.

For Associate (ACIfA) and Member (MCIfA) applications, the first deadline in 2023 is **Monday 30 January**. ACIfA's will be reviewed at the 22 February Validation committee meeting and MCIfA's will be put into the interview window for w/c 20 March.

Practitioner (PCIfA) applications can be sent in at any time and will be reviewed at the end of each month (except March and September).

Our guidance webpages and performance criteria for each grade provide all the guidance you should need in one place which should make it easier to apply.

- [Practitioner \(PCIfA\) guidance](#) - [PCIfA performance criteria](#)
- [Associate \(ACIfA\) guidance](#) - [ACIfA performance criteria](#)
- [Member \(MCIfA\) application guidance](#) - [MCIfA performance criteria](#)

If you have any questions about the application process, please email Lianne and Ellen at membership@archaeologists.net who will be happy to help.

What are you waiting for? – Grab that snack and apply now!

Community Archaeology Toolkit - survey

CIfA is working with DigVentures to develop guidance which supports and enables public benefit from archaeological projects, as part of a project funded by Historic England.

This project aims to embed public participation and engagement firmly into sector practice, with an initial emphasis on archaeology projects delivered within the context of the planning system. The main target audience for the guidance is those who commission, facilitate or deliver archaeology projects primarily driven by development led activities.

This short survey forms part of a sector-wide consultation undertaken collaboratively with CIfA. Our aim is to understand the opportunities and challenges in implementing public benefit within development-led archaeology.

The two surveys are aimed at **two different audience groups; one for those who commission archaeology, including those who prepare project briefs, and the other directed towards project delivery teams.**

If you are a commissioner or if you facilitate archaeological projects, [please take this survey.](#)

If you are a practitioner involved in the delivery of archaeological projects, [please take this survey.](#)

The survey will be live until **the end of January 2023**. In the meantime, get in touch with the project team directly if you are interested in hearing more about the project.

Please get in touch with Harriet Tatton (DigVentures – harriet@digventures.com) if you have questions about the survey or have any technical difficulties.

Please get in touch with Cara Jones (CIfA – cara.jones@archaeologists.net) if you have questions about the scope of the project

CBA Archaeological Achievement Awards 2022



Two CifA Members and a Registered Organisation were recognised for their exemplary work at this year's prestigious Council for British Archaeology Archaeological Achievement Awards, which showcase the very best in UK and Irish archaeology through five categories.

The Early Career Archaeologist category featured no less than three CifA members: Megan Schlanker, archaeologist for MOLA and Chair of the CifA Early Careers Special Interest Group; Tabitha Gulliver Lawrence, from Colchester Archaeological Trust, and Secretary of the Early Careers Group; and Victoria Sands from Colchester Archaeological Trust.

CifA Registered Organisation, Archaeology South-East, was shortlisted for its work on the Seaford Head Project in the Archaeological Innovation category; as was MSDS Marine for its work on Y Heritage Make A Splash! in the Engagement and Participation category.

The winners were announced at a ceremony hosted by Ireland's National Monuments Service, held in Dublin Castle on 29 November. CifA members Victoria Sands of Colchester Archaeological Trust, won the Early Career Archaeologist award, and Megan Schlanker of MOLA, was highly commended. MSDS Marine was also highly commended in the Engagement and Participation award.

CifA response to Historic England Planning and Archaeology advice document

The publication of Historic England's [Planning and Archaeology](#) advice document, which describes how archaeology works in the English planning system, is warmly welcomed by CifA, which helped to prepare it in collaboration with other partners.

Written as an aid for officers and members of planning authorities, and planning applicants (including their advisers and contractors), the document will also be of interest to professional archaeologists, as well as local and community archaeological organisations.

Planning and Archaeology shows how working to CifA standards, CifA-accredited organisations and individuals, can help meet the needs of applicants, planning authorities and the public they serve.

The guidance in the Planning and Archaeology document complements CifA's recently published [Professional archaeology: a guide for clients 2022](#), and CIRIA's Archaeology and construction: good practice guidance.

My CPD



**Online &
@Bath2022**

CifA2022 Conference bursary holders CPD diaries.

For CifA2022 we were pleased to be able to support a number of bursaries for Student and early career members and non-members.

Alongside our CifA bursaries, we also had generous support for additional bursaries from Historic England, Past Horizons, the Hal Dalwood Trust, and the Theresa O'Mahoney bursary through the EAF and BAJR, so a big thank you to them.

Bursary holders were happy to be able to attend conference sessions (either through digital or in person attendance) and gain some valuable CPD. To read what some of them said about their experiences please go to our [CPD Diaries webpage](#) (where you'll also find previous CPD entries from other members) or use the links below.

Look out for opportunities to apply for a bursary for the [CifA2023 conference!](#)

CifA bursary recipients

[Anna Hassett Affiliate](#)

[Rachel Hosier](#)

[Sabrina Ki PCIfA](#)

[Mike D'Aprix ACIfA](#)

[Victoria MacEwen](#)

[Megan Schlanker PCIfA](#)

Hal Dalwood bursary recipient

[Siggy Osborne Student](#)

Theresa O'Mahony bursary recipient

[Denise Hillier Student](#)

Past Horizons bursary recipient

[Jen Henry](#)

Call for Inspection Panel Members



We have vacancies for Registered Organisation panellists (volunteer roles) to help us assess competence through Registered Organisation processes.

If you are a CifA accredited member at any level and would like an opportunity to make a difference to the Institute and your profession but don't have time for a long-term commitment, you may want to consider joining an inspection panel for the Registered Organisation scheme.

All information can be [found here](#)

To join a panel, you must be accredited (PCIfA, ACIfA or MCIfA) and have enough experience to be able to distinguish good practice and areas for

improvement throughout an organisation. You absolutely must be prepared to participate fully and to engage in lots of conversation. Each panel consists of between three and four participants.

Here are the organisations coming up for inspection this year:

1. University of Winchester ARCA
2. Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd
3. GUARD Archaeology Ltd
4. AOC Archaeology Group
5. ADAS
6. Archaeological Surveys Ltd
7. Albion Archaeology
8. South West Archaeology Ltd.
9. AEON Archaeology
10. MSDS Marine Ltd
11. Surrey County Archaeological Unit
12. Orion Heritage Limited
13. Archaeology Warwickshire
14. Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust
15. John Moore Heritage Services
16. Cornwall Archaeological Unit
17. TigerGeo Limited
18. Archaeological Services WYAS
19. Environmental Dimension Partnership Ltd (EDP)
20. Avon Archaeology Limited
21. Red River Archaeology Group Ltd
22. Wardell Armstrong LLP
23. Place Services

To volunteer as a panel member or for more information or an informal discussion, contact Kerry.wiggins@archaeologists.net.

Events/training

Keep up-to-date with all our events via our [events webpage](#).



Evening Chat

23 January | 18.00 - 19.00 | online

Come to our regular digital networking event. These are very informal sessions focused on different topics, giving you the opportunity to share ideas, learn from others and make new contacts.

[Register here](#)



Career Shift Discussion and Guidance

23 January | 19.00 - 19.45 | online

Join us following our Evening chat to meet with others who have either have changed careers, or are currently in the process of a career shift, or are returning to archaeology after a break.

[Register here](#)

Inclusion Training

Following the launch of our Inclusion Strategy in 2021, Historic England is committed to making our work and workforce more inclusive and diverse. We have introduced a new inclusion training programme and are extending this offer to the heritage sector.

The latest training commences in January with Inclusive Communications, a practical 2 hour virtual workshop in which you will gain the knowledge and tools to communicate inclusively.

To view dates and reserve your place, [please click here](#)

Contact Inclusion.Team@HistoricEngland.org.uk for information about Historic England's Inclusion Strategy and related training opportunities.

Other News

New Benefits. New Opportunity. New Year Ahead!



Make a powerful start with new Dell benefits for CIfA members.

Power up with top tech and get more from your organisation's partnership with Dell Technologies. Start the new year with the best new deals from Dell.

CIfA Members qualify for extra discounts on top of sale prices off laptops, desktops, servers & accessories all year round:

- Additional 5% off all Inspiron, DG & Vostro computers

- Additional 10% off all XPS, Alienware, Precision, OptiPlex & Latitude computers
- Additional 3% off all Servers & Stackable devices
- Additional 5% off all Alienware & Gaming monitors
- Additional 10% off all S, SE, E, P, U, C monitors
- Additional 20% off all Accessories

See our [member benefit page](#) (login required) to access this exclusive member offer.

If you have any queries, members can contact the team at SBAUK@Dell.com for assistance.

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