



# Selection strategies for archive deposition workshop (or 'Less is more')



A workshop hosted by the IfA London Area Group, LAARC and with support from IfA Archaeological Archives Group

Thursday 14 November, 9.30 - 16.30

## London Archaeological Archives Research Centre

On 14 November (9.30-16.30) IfA London Group will be running a workshop at the London Archaeological Archives Research Centre (LAARC) to discuss selection strategies for archaeological archives deposition.

Which groups of archaeological finds should automatically be retained within a site archive in their entirety? Which should be sampled? And are there categories of finds that can be safely 'preserved by record' and then discarded? Issues such as these are often debated by special-interest groups, some of which have produced guidelines on selection and sampling, but less commonly has an inter-disciplinary approach been taken, pooling best practice and reviewing site assemblages as a whole. The current situation in Greater London, with around 300 archaeological interventions each year and the Museum of London's archaeological archive already approaching capacity, provides a particular spur to taking a fresh look at these important matters.

To contribute to the discussion, please register an interest with IfA by emailing [jen.wooding@archaeologists.net](mailto:jen.wooding@archaeologists.net). Places are limited and we will be in touch as soon as we can to confirm your place.

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