Rebels Without a Cause? Accessing and Exploring Adolescents/Adolescence in the Past

12th Annual Society for the Study of Childhood in the Past Conference

Location: University of Sheffield, Sheffield, England, U.K
Dates: 30th October – 1st November 2019
Organisers: Dr Katie Hemer, Dr Sophie Newman
Host Department: Department of Archaeology, University of Sheffield

Wednesday 30th October, evening only

7pm - Evening keynote presentation by Professor Jane Eva Baxter (DePaul University, USA) at the Showroom Cinema, Sheffield

8pm onwards - Refreshments and drinks reception

Thursday 31st October, all day

9am – Registration
10am – Conference Introduction

10.15 – SESSION 1: What is adolescence? Shifting perceptions over time and space

10.15 Jennifer French (University College London, UK), April Nowell (University of Victoria, Canada)
Adolescence in the Ice Age

10.35 *Ana Mercedes Herrero-Corral (University Complutense of Madrid)
Between Childhood and Adulthood: adolescent graves of Late Prehistory in central Iberia

10.55 *Marieke Ivarsson-Aalders (Stockholm University, Sweden)
Exploring Viking Age Adolescence: A Bioarchaeological Approach

11.15 Discussion

11.25 – Tea Break and Session 1 posters

11.45 – SESSION 2: The written lives of adolescents

11.45 Mary Clare Martin (University of Greenwich, UK)
Religion and adolescence from 1700-1900: autonomy, ritual and community

12.05 *Borja Méndez Santiago (University of Oviedo, Spain)
Youngsters in Plutarch’s Parallel Lives. A First Approach

12.25 Traci Ardren (University of Miami, USA)
Betwixt and Between: Memories of a Man-Child in Fontaneda’s Description of Native South Florida
12.45  Discussion

12.55 – Lunch

13.55 – SESSION 3: The material culture of adolescence

13.55  Nadia Pezzulla (Independent Scholar)
Assyrian and Babylonian Adolescents: Case Studies from the Ancient Near East

14.15  Sandra Jaeggi (University of Fribourg, Switzerland)
Baby feeding bottles for adolescents? What several tombs in Roman Gaul (1st Century BC- 5th Century AD) reveal

14.35  *Jennifer Mack (University of Exeter, UK)
Broken Blossoms: An Examination of Adolescent Mortality and Mortuary Treatment at Dubuque’s Third Street Cemetery

14.55  Discussion

15.05 – Tea Break and Session 4 posters

15.35 – SESSION 4: Little Adults? Rites of passage from childhood to adulthood

15.35  John Burton (DePaul University, USA)
Education for Manhood: Harvard College and Adolescence in Colonial Massachusetts

15.55  Sanna Lipkin (University of Oulu, Finland), Heli Maijanen (University of Oulu, Finland), Tiina Kuokkanen (University of Oulu, Finland), Tina Väre (University of Oulu, Finland), Matti Heino (University of Oulu, Finland)
“With depleted strength and sorrow they made their way emaciated...”: The youth during the Finnish War (1808-1809)

16.15  Meredith A.B. Ellis (Florida Atlantic University, USA)
Transitional Youths: Defining “Adolescence” in Nineteenth Century New York City through Skeletal Remains

16.35  Discussion

7pm – Optional conference dinner at The Botanist

Friday 1st November, all day

10am – Keynote presentation by Dr Mary Lewis (University of Reading, UK)

11am – Tea Break

11.30 – SESSION 5: Deviancy, rebellion, and punishment

11.30  Sharon Clough (Cotswold Archaeology, UK)
Juvenile delinquency – capital punishment in Late Saxon/Norman England

11.50  Greg T. Smith (University of Manitoba, Canada)
Reforming the Criminal Adolescent: the origins of the British Approach

12.10  *Katherine Woodhouse (Loughborough University, UK)
Rebels With a Cause: Conversion and ‘Meaningful’ Rebellion in Eighteenth-Century Methodist Narratives of Female Adolescence

12.30 Jonny Geber (University of Edinburgh, UK), Jenny Bergman (Lund University, Sweden), Elisabeth Iregren (Lund University, Sweden)
Harvested Bodies: Anatomisation of Adolescent Suicides in Nineteenth-Century Scania, Sweden

12.50 Discussion

13.00 – Lunch

14.00 – SESSION 6: Advances in accessing adolescence in bioarchaeology

14.00 *Danielle M. Doe (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Nieves Candelas González (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Orosia García Gil (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Oscar Cambra-Moo (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain), Armando González Martín (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain)
One method fits all? Role of macro-preservation in the applicability of a puberty estimation methodology

14.20 *Christopher Aris (University of Kent, UK)
Changing breastfeeding practices in Anglo-Saxon England and their impact on the later growth of adolescent tooth enamel

14.40 *Leslie Quade (Durham University, UK), Rebecca Gowland (Durham University, UK)
Arrested Development: Adolescence during the Roman Period and Late Antiquity in Gaul

15.00 Discussion

15.10 – Tea Break and Session 6 posters

15.40 – 17.00 – Conference close and AGM

* Student presentations
Poster Presentations

SESSION 1

• Nana Nakayama (University of Waseda, Japan)
  *Adolescent burial practices in 18th and 19th century Edo, Japan*

• Natasha Meyer (Independent Scholar)
  *Unearthing Neolithic Childhood: An Analysis of the Burial Rites of Non-Adults in Neolithic Europe*

SESSION 4

• María Molina Moreno (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Nieves Candelas González (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Danielle M. Doe (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Josefina Rascón Pérez (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Oscar Cambra-Moo (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain), Armando González Martín (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain)
  *Teen Mom: Searching for adolescent mothers in the archaeological record of the Iberian Peninsula*

• Guillermo Zorrilla-Revilla (CENIEH, Spain), Jesús Rodríguez, Marco Vidal-Cordasco, Olalla Prado-Nóvoa, Ana Mateos
  *No sex differences on efficiency in gathering activities during puberty*

SESSION 6

• Nieves Candelas González (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Danielle M. Doe (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), María Molina Moreno (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain), Fernando Munoz Villarejo, Oscar Cambra-Moo (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain), José Avelino Gutiérrez González (University of Oviedo, Spain), Armando González Martín (Autonomous University of Madrid, Spain; University of Oviedo, Spain)
  *From biological to social: an approach to the role of adolescents in the past through the study of burial ground distribution*