
Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel - Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte -

Vortrag

Das Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte, Kiel, lädt im Rahmen des Archäologischen Kolloquiums zu einem Vortrag mit anschließender Diskussion ein am

Montag, den 16. November 2015,
18.30 Uhr, Johanna-Mestorf-Hörsaal
(Eingang 4, Erdgeschoss), Johanna-Mestorf-Straße.

Frau Dr. Linda Hurcombe, Exeter,
spricht zum Thema:

Plants as material culture: part of 'the missing majority' in prehistory

Though archaeological traces of plant-based artefacts rarely survive, they were once a major component of prehistoric material culture. In general the domesticated species, such as flax, are far better understood than the use of wild resources. Tree bast fibres, wild fibre plants such as nettle, and whole stems and roots from a variety of wild resources could all be used for cordage, clothing, containers and shelter. They also form part of important composite artefacts as bindings and handles for tools and weapons. The rare archaeological evidence, ethnographic sources and experimentation will be drawn together to show how it is possible to widen the perspectives on plants as important raw materials. The exploitation patterns for them will also be considered to show seasonal patterns and to explore the ways in which human interventions could affect the availability and quality of plants for material culture.

(gez. Die Dozenten des Instituts für Ur- und Frühgeschichte)