



ARCH Newsflash June 2020

Hello!

More and more material is being offered on line – courses, conferences, recorded talks, virtual tours. Here are a few that have come my way:

Talks

NoSAS has been running short talks and discussion evenings for its members fortnightly on topics as diverse as military roads, the kelp industry in Loch Broom, Raigmore hospital, archaeology along the West Link road development in Inverness, charcoal burning, wooden objects in the NMS, exploring Coigach from maps and on the ground, and Wemyss caves. These have been recorded, and are available to non-members to view from the [NoSAS website](http://www.nosas.co.uk/onlinemadevenings.asp): <http://www.nosas.co.uk/onlinemadevenings.asp>

History Talks Live. UHI Centre for History has a lecture programme you can join live, or recordings of past talks. See their [website](http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/research-enterprise/cultural/centre-for-history/history-talks-live) for further details. www.uhi.ac.uk/en/research-enterprise/cultural/centre-for-history/history-talks-live

Workshops

XPONorth has been running a series of Heritage Workshops: Bringing Museums to the Home. Interest so far has been high, especially amongst those working in museums. Still to come are Virtual Reality (16th June), Creative Commons and Wikipedia (18 June) and Virtual Museums (23 June). Further details from [XPONorth website](https://xponorth.co.uk/news/xponorth-announces-digital-heritage-workshops-bringing-museums-to-the-home).

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Recordings of past sessions covering Going Live with Social Media, Virtual Heritage, Social Media: Connecting with Heritage, Digitising Movable Cultural Heritage and How to Make Heritage Journeys are available on their [facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/pg/xponorth) <https://www.facebook.com/pg/xponorth>

Virtual tours

Open Virtual Worlds has created a number of talks/tours including Medieval St Andrews, Lords of the Isles at Finlaggan, Virtual tours of Helmsdale castle and digital objects from Timespan. These can be accessed from their [facebook page](http://www.facebook.com/OpenVirtualWorlds/live) www.facebook.com/OpenVirtualWorlds/live

Groam House Museum has created a virtual tour of their exhibition of carved Pictish stones, as well as following the progress of their 2020 exhibition on Scribal Styles. See their [website](http://www.groamhouse.org.uk/) for links

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New website

The Inverness Local History Forum has a new [website](http://www.invernesshistory.co.uk/) which has information from many of their interesting past projects. www.invernesshistory.co.uk/

Conferences

Conferences are a victim of the Covid-19 crisis, but some organisations are having on-line events. This presents opportunities to 'attend' conferences you might not otherwise be able to.

This year's XpoNorth conference will take place 24th and 25th June with a range of seminars, showcases and speakers on a wide range of creative arts. Details and free tickets from their [website](https://xponorth.co.uk/). <https://xponorth.co.uk/>

The Leeds International Medieval Conference 6-10 July will be entirely online this year, with over 500 speakers across 5 days, virtual exhibitions, book and craft fairs etc – an ambitious programme indeed. The first 1500

registrations will be free, and subsequent reservations £5 – a vast savings from the yearly physical conference. Further details are available from their [website www.imc.leeds.ac.uk/imc-2020/](http://www.imc.leeds.ac.uk/imc-2020/)

Other news

UHI has announced a funded masters by research studentship to evaluate and review mitigation undertaken as a result of major road infrastructure developments in Scotland and associated public benefit, linked to the dualling of the A9 between Perth and Inverness. Start date is 1st October, with application deadline 6th July. Further details from [UHI website https://www.inverness.uhi.ac.uk/research/postgraduate-research/](https://www.inverness.uhi.ac.uk/research/postgraduate-research/)

Finally, now that we are able to go a bit further afield, plan your walks to check out sites in your area – with opportunities to post photos and information on the HER. See the April 2020 ARCH newsflash on the [ARCH website www.archhighland.org.uk](http://www.archhighland.org.uk) in the Library section for a reminder how to do this.

Keep safe and healthy!

Best wishes,

Susan