

## For the Love of Death: Human Osteoarchaeology in Southeast Asia and the Pacific

This two-day conference aims to create an opportunity for researchers to present and discuss their latest work on archaeological human remains assemblages from across Southeast Asia, the Pacific and beyond. It will be hosted by the Archaeology Studies Program, University of the Philippines – the first time a conference dedicated to human remains will be held in the Philippines. While the conference is focused on research in Southeast Asia, we welcome papers on topics from other geographical regions from which we may be able to draw parallels.

**Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Marc Oxenham, School of Archaeology and Anthropology,  
Australia National University

Papers are invited for inclusion in the following sessions:

### Seen But Now Heard: The Osteoarchaeology of Juveniles

This session will discuss the latest research on juvenile remains in the archaeological record. Topics may include, but are not limited to, palaeopathology, mortuary practices and taphonomy.

### Before They Died

This session will focus on the osteological evidence for lived lives. A wide range of topics, from diet and nutrition, occupation and demography, to isotopes and DNA are invited.

### Nasty, Brutish and Short? Violence, Trauma, Health and Disease

This session will consider the quality of life experienced by past populations. Therefore, papers will present new research on topics including the evidence for health, disease, age at death and violence.

### The Dying Game

This session is concerned with the osteological evidence for mortuary practices.

### All In! Open Session

Any other papers on human osteoarchaeology that do not seem to find a home in any of the above sessions will be assigned to this session. This may include papers on new analytical techniques, theoretical approaches or new excavations.

### Abstract Submission

Abstracts of no more than 200 words for a 20 minute paper should be sent to [loveofdeath2016@gmail.com](mailto:loveofdeath2016@gmail.com) by August 7th 2015. We welcome papers from academics, commercial archaeologists, and post-graduate students alike. Abstracts for poster presentations will also be accepted.

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