

# Rags and Riches: Dress and Dress Accessories in Social Context

Saturday, 21st April, University Of Reading

## 9.30-10.00 Registration in the Palmer Building

## 10.00 Welcome and Introduction (Rosie Weetch and Toby Martin)

### 10.05 Session 1: Defining Dress

Eleanor Standley (Ashmolean Museum, Oxford)  
*Trinkets and Charms: The Personal Possessions of the Past*

Kathrin Felder (University of Cambridge)  
*Whose Identity, Whose Material Engagement? Forms of Individual and Collective Engagement in the Study of Anglo-Saxon Dress Items*

Sara Chong Kwan (London College of Fashion)  
*Making Sense of Everyday Dress*

### 11.25 Tea and Coffee – poster session

### 11.40 Session 2: Dividing by Dress

James West (University of Liverpool)  
*Emigrants of Exiles: American Dress and African Identity in the Emerging Liberian State*

Stefanie Hoss (University of Cologne)  
*Roman Military Belts: Indicators of Status and Identity, Mirrors of Cultural and Ethnic Change*

Amy Jane Barnes and Malika Kraamer (New Walk Museum and Art Gallery, Leicester)  
*Japanese Saris: The Leicester Connection*

### 1.05 Lunch in the Sorby Room

### 2.00 Session 3: Getting Dressed

Kathryn Morgan (University of Pennsylvania)  
*Give it a Whorl: The Iron Age through the Eyes of a Spinster*

Letty Ten Harkel (University of Oxford)  
*Of Towns and Trinkets: Dress Accessories from Viking Age Lincoln*

Kara Tennant (Cardiff Metropolitan University)  
*A Sweet Weakness: Purchasing Ladies' Clothing in the Nineteenth Century*

### 3.20 Tea and Coffee

### 3.30 Session 4: Beyond Dress

Alex Cassels (University of Sheffield)  
*Ideology, Iconography, and Identity in Late Medieval Dress Accessories*

Elisabeth Gerner (University of Edinburgh)  
*Unstable and Uninhibited by Time: the Banyan Revealed in Representation*

Miki Kurisu (University of East Anglia)  
*Lambamena Mourning Shrouds among the Merina and Betsileo of Madagascar*

### 5.00 Round Table

### 5.30 Wine Reception sponsored by the Social Archaeology Research Group

(Registration now open: <http://www.reading.ac.uk/archaeology/Events>)