

Department of UNIVERSITY OF IOWA Anthropology

is pleased to present:

Dr. Emma Pomeroy University of Cambridge, UK Friday, October 13th 3:30 pm 27 Macbride Hall

Insights into life and death at Shanidar Cave from the new Neanderthal skeletal remains



Emma Pomeroy is Associate Professor in the Evolution of Health, Diet and Disease and Director of the Duckworth Laboratory in the Department of Archaeology, University of Cambridge, UK. She currently leads the excavation, conservation and analysis of the new hominin remains from Shanidar Cave, Iraqi Kurdistan, where recent discoveries of new skeletal remains ('Shanidar Z', and others) are offering new opportunities to understand Neanderthal behaviour at this iconic site. After a BA in Archaeology and Anthropology at the University of Cambridge, Emma completed an MA in Osteoarchaeology (University of Southampton, UK), and a PhD in Biological Anthropology (Cambridge), interspersed with work in commercial archaeology and medical research. Following her PhD she held Postdoctoral positions at Cambridge and a lectureship at Liverpool John Moores University, before returning to Cambridge in

2019. In addition to Neanderthal behaviour and morphology, her research interests focus on understanding the impacts of the natural and socio-cultural environments and evolutionary processes on human skeletal variation, and how this variation can offer insights into both past and present human health and lifeways.

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