



# BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Annual Conference 2024

## **Roman and Medieval Art, Architecture and Archaeology in Pembrokeshire** 15-19 July 2024

**In July 2024, for the first time in its 180-year history, the British Archaeological Association will gather in Pembrokeshire to explore and debate the artistic, architectural and archaeological wealth of a significant county. For this we welcome proposals from both early career and established scholars for papers relating to the material history of Pembrokeshire between the Romano-British and early modern periods to be presented at the conference. We are also interested in hearing from colleagues with an expert knowledge of sites we will visit, with a view to leading tours and giving on-site presentations.**

In addition to its famous cathedral of St David, the county is home to some of the most significant medieval castles to survive anywhere in Britain. Early Christian inscribed stones abound from the period associated with the formation of the sub kingdom of Demetia (Dyfed). Its many parish churches and former monastic centres are distinguished, if often, in the case of later medieval parish churches, little studied. It was also the seat of an important earldom and county palatinate, while its ports were significant in traffic between south-western England and Ireland.

Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Great church architecture: friaries, chapels, halls
- Parish churches
- Castles, civic architecture and town planning
- Sculpture, glass and material culture more widely
- The archaeology of the county, and of its monasteries
- The Roman heritage of Pembrokeshire

Proposals for papers of up to 30 minutes on any topic relating to the art, architecture and archaeology of Roman, medieval or early modern Pembrokeshire are invited. Please send abstracts of no more than 300 words to Christopher Catling, at the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales on [christopher.catling@rcahmw.gov.uk](mailto:christopher.catling@rcahmw.gov.uk) by 30 September, 2023.

For further information contact the convener:

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The conference will be based at Pembrokeshire College in Haverfordwest, and site visits are planned to St Davids Cathedral and Bishop's Palace, together with various sites of archaeological and architectural interest throughout the historic county, including Tenby, Pembroke, Haverfordwest, Manorbier, Lamphey, Llawhaden, Carew and Upton. All enquiries about the conference should be sent to the Conference Secretary, Kate Milburn, at [conference@thebaa.org](mailto:conference@thebaa.org).