The Near Eastern Seminar Series (NESS) invites students, staff and visiting scholars to attend our lecture series.

**Held each Monday of Semester 2**

Centre for Classical and Near Eastern Studies of Australia (CCANESA)  
Level 4 Madsen Building, University of Sydney

**Time:** 4pm – 5pm

No RSVP is required and all are welcome!

**Monday 5th August** – Dr. Karin Sowada (Macquarie University)  
“The Liquid Commodities Trade between Egypt and the Levant in the Early Bronze Age”

**Monday 12th August** – Dr. Kyle Keimer (Macquarie University)  
“At the Edge of Chaos: Khirbet el-Rai in the 11thc. BC”

**Monday 19th August** – Dr. Kathryn Eriksson (Independent Researcher)  
“Dating the Mid-Second Millennium BCE Eruption of Thera: Have we Reached an Agreement Between Relative Chronology and Science?”

**Monday 26th August** – Dr. Melissa Kennedy (University of Western Australia)  
“Preliminary Results from the first two seasons of the AAKSAU and AAKSAK Hinterland Ground Surveys”

**Monday 2nd September** – University of Sydney Honours Students  
Stella Quast - "Working with Water: Three Capitals of Ancient Ethiopia"  
Victoria Tran - “Archaeoaoustics: Investigating prehistoric sound”

**Monday 9th September** – James Roberts (University of New England)  
“The Faunal Remains from Saruq al-Hadid: An insight into the human occupation of the desert fringes of southeastern Arabia during late prehistory”

**Monday 16th September** – Dr. John Tidmarsh (University of Sydney)  
“A View from the Summit: Excavations at Jebel Khalid on the Euphrates”

**Monday 23rd September** – Holly Winter (University of Sydney)  
“Reassessing Middle Bronze Age Courtyard Palaces in the Southern Levant”

**Monday 30th September** – MID SEMESTER BREAK

**Monday 7th October** – PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Monday 14th October** – Dr. Chris Ames (University of Wollongong)  
Title to be confirmed

**Monday 21st October** – Paula Phillips (University of Melbourne)  
“The Tell at Fara South”

**Monday 28th October** – Agata Calabrese (University of Sydney)  
“The archaeology of senses: A GIS approach to investigate past sensorial experience, the case of the EBA North Mesopotamian funerary remains”

For further information, please contact the NESS coordinator Holly Winter at (hwin6818@uni.sydney.edu.au)