

**BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION**

***NEWCASTLE AND NORTHUMBERLAND***

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Call for Papers



The 2010 Summer Conference will be held at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and will address the city of Newcastle and the county of Northumberland (together with the former county of Tyne and Wear).

This is an area outstandingly rich in monuments and buildings from all periods, many of them set in locations of striking beauty and grandeur. They include unquestionably the greatest survival of

Roman Britain, Hadrian's Wall, whose presence has influenced the development of the region ever since, together with well-preserved remains of forts and civilian settlements. Here may be seen some of the most evocative remains of Anglo-Saxon Christianity, including standing buildings of the monastery at Jarrow and Monkwearmouth, and the crypt of Bishop Wilfrid's cathedral at Hexham. Northumberland is well provided with medieval great churches, including Lindisfarne, Tynemouth, Brinkburn and the present abbey church at Hexham. The conference will be based in Newcastle, (still named after its great 12th-century fortress), a city with numerous impressive parish churches, including St Nicholas's Cathedral, friaries and the city wall, though it would be impossible to miss the 19th-century buildings that proclaim the city's commercial and industrial prosperity. Finally, as a region on the frontier between England and Scotland, Northumberland is famous for its castles, including the quartet of Alnwick, Bamburgh, Dunstanburgh and Warkworth, as well as many houses of lesser status, fortified in a distinctively Northumbrian manner.

We will be staying in the University, where lectures will also be held. We propose to visit sites in the city and to make excursions to Tynemouth Priory and Jarrow, and to Hexham, with sites on and near Hadrian's Wall, and Aydon Castle.

We would be very grateful to hear from anyone wishing to give a paper at the conference or volunteering to conduct a site visit. Titles and abstracts for papers should be sent to:

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