Bronze Age Symposium

Dates: 11–13 June 2025 **Event:** Programme

Note: Each presentation slot includes a 15-minute paper followed by 5 minutes for

questions.

Wednesday, 11th June 2025 @13.00

Session 1: Complex Migrations: Movement, Gender and Regionality in the Nordic Bronze Age

Organizers: Lisbeth Skogstrand, Lene Melheim, Sophie Bergerbrant, Louise Felding, Laura Bjørnevad-Ahlqvist

13:00 - 13:15

Introduction

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13:15 - 13:35

Gendered Bodies and the Adoption of New Knowledge Systems in the Early Bronze Age

Lene Melheim, Birgitte Skar, Kristin Armstrong-Oma, Knut Ivar Austvoll, Merete Moe Henriksen

13:35 - 13:55

Mound Genealogies as the Crossroads between Ancestry, Kinship, Gender, and Social Organization in the Nordic Early Bronze Age

Casper Sørensen

13:55 - 14:30

Coffee Break

14:30 - 14:50

On Migration of Knowledge through Clay and Community

Weronika Patrycja Polanska

14:50 - 15:10

Is Metal Trade Gendered? The People Behind the Trade Networks in the Middle Bronze Age.

Heide W. Nørgaard

15:10 - 15:30

Forgotten in the Bronze Age. A Critical Examination of Archaeological Bronze Age Research on Mobility and Gender.

Hedda Signora Berggraf

15:30 - 15:50

Tropes and Isotopes: A Relational Approach to Mobility in the Nordic Bronze Age

Louise Felding

15:50 - 16:10

Kinship and Bronze Age Mounds: Who Were Buried?

Sophie Bergerbrant, Kristian Kristiansen, Marie Louise Schjellerup Jørkov, Hugh McColl

16:10 - 16:30

Discussion

16:35 - 17:20

Tour of the Exhibitions

17:20 onwards

Welcome Reception

Café area of the museum

Thursday 12th of June 2025 @9.00

Session 2: Meetings through Metal - Deposited Metalwork in Nordic Bronze Age Landscapes

Organizers: Karin Ojala and Anna Sörman

09:00 - 09:15

Introduction

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09:15 - 09:35

Cult Axes

Thomas Eriksson

09:35 - 09:55

Small Forgotten Things - Landscape, Things and Relations

Nils Anfinset

09:55 - 10:15

Depositions from a Micro Perspective – and How to Approach the Act of Deposition

Malene R. Beck, Lise Frost

10:15 - 10:30

Coffee Break

10:30 - 10:50

Hoards from the Late Bronze Age – Contexts, Landscape Settings and Archaeological Categorisations

Karin Ojala, Anna Sörman

10:50 - 11:10

Determining the Value of Things? Energy Expenditure Calculations on Hoards Inventories

Johanna Brinkmann

11:10 - 11:30

Discussion

11:30 - 12:30

Lunch

Session 3: Windblown and Carried by the Waves

Organizers: Stefanie Schaefer-Di Maida and Jutta Kneisel

12:30 - 12:45

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12:45 - 13:05

Navigating Complexity: Maritime Interactions and Sociopolitical Dynamics in the Nordic Bronze Age

Knut Ivar Austvoll, Johan Ling, Boel Bengtsson

13:05 - 13:25

Western Influence in Burial Construction - When Did the Fire Start?

Jutta Kneisel

13:25 - 13:45

The Diffusion of Cremation - Stories from the German Northwest Coast

Stephanie Schaefer-Di Maida

14:00 – 18:00
Excursion
19:00 Dinner
Friday, 13th June 2025 @ 09:00
Session 4: Diversity in Bronze Age Research (Open Session)
Session Chair: Kristin Armstrong-Oma
09:00 – 09:15
Introduction
09:15 – 09:35
The Networks of the Horned Helmets
Heide W. Nørgaard
09:35 – 09:55
Sun-Horses, Stylized Double-Horses, and Swastika Horses. Not Flying by Themselves, but in the Mind of Travellers
Flemming Kaul
09:55 – 10:15
The Period V Colonization of Pomerania: Causes and Effects
Kristian Kristiansen
10:15 – 10:30
Discussion
10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 - 11:20

Southern Tradition Rock Art from an Inland Perspective – The Rock Art Locality of Foss, Central Norway

Kjell A. Brevik, Merete Moe Henriksen, Heidrun Stebergløkken

11:20 - 11:40

The Bronze Age Cairns in Sunnhordaland – Regional Identity Highlighted through Deposition Practices

Henriette Hop Wendelbo

11:40 - 12:00

Wool Production as Status Marker in the Nordic Bronze Age?

Lilian Matthes, Louise Felding

12:00 - 12:20

Forested Farmers: Rethinking Dwelling and Mobility in Late Neolithic and Bronze Age Southeast Norway

Anette Sand-Eriksen

12:20 - 12:30

Discussion

12:30 - 13:15

Lunch

13:15 - 13:30

Final Words