



# Archaeological Society of British Columbia - Nanaimo Branch

## **Lecture Series**

**Lecture: David Hopwood**

**Date: Saturday November 16 3:30-5**

**Location: Nanaimo District Museum**

**Cost \$2**

**ASBC Members Free!**



Mr Hopwood will be speaking on the work that has been conducted on the archaeological site Kenan Tepe in Southeastern Turkey. In particular the talk will focus on the multiple burials uncovered over three time periods represented at the site. Burial practice patterns provides insight into how individuals and communities negotiated their relationships between the living and the dead. Several infant and adult burials from the multi-period mound site of Kenan Tepe were analysed to examine the variety of burial practices carried out and to address questions regarding the nature of the relationship between the Kenan Tepe residents and their dead. During the time of occupation at Kenan Tepe at least three different methods of interment were practiced, progressively indicating a shift towards a less intimate relationship with the dead.

David Hopwood is a Biological Anthropologist at Vancouver Island University. David has multiple research interests that include the evolution of hominin behaviour in the early Pleistocene in relation to large carnivores as well as the analysis of burial practice during the Ubaid Period of Mesopotamia. David has been involved in excavation at early hominin sites in South Africa and the Republic of Georgia and currently operates as the Osteologist for the Upper Tigris Archaeological Research Project in Turkey.

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