## **Kristen Barrett-Casey**

### Education

DPhil Archaeology (Beginning October 2023)

Hertford College, University of Oxford

Dissertation: The Influence of International Funders on Post-Conflict Heritage Reconstruction Projects: Their Role and Impact on State-Building and Reconciliation (Geographic focus on Iraq, Afghanistan and Ukraine)

MSc Built Environment: Sustainable Heritage (Distinction)

University College London (2019 - 2021)

Dissertation: The Role of UNESCO-led Reconstruction Projects in Post-conflict

Reconciliation

BA History (2:1)

St Hugh's College, University of Oxford (2016 - 2019)

# **Experience**

Directors' Office, Eastern Europe Central Asia Directorate Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office May 2023 -

Supervising Archaeologist

November 2021 - November 2022

Pre Construct Archaeology; Museum of London Archaeology; Compass Archaeology

- All aspects of the archaeological process; researching for and writing Desk-Based Assessments; Written Schemes of Investigation; Reports; evaluations and excavations; post-excavation processing and preparation of finds for archive depositing.
- Communicating and liaising with clients, contractors and other professionals adjacent to the archaeology works.
- Hand excavation skills as well as desk-based and archival research skills, as well as office admin on a variety of commercial urban and infrastructure projects in London and the South East.

Heritage Consultant

January - April 2020

**English Heritage** 

- Conducted research and wrote a report for Wrest Park on managing and improving the sustainability of their current management and conservation systems for the use and care of the property, its collections and gardens.

Heritage Consultant

November 2019 - April 2020

Heritage Malta

- Led team investigating and mapping the condition of a Roman archaeological site in Malta.
- Wrote a report and presented to the board of directors outlining strategies to make site conservation more sustainable.

Heritage Consultant

January - April 2020

Hampstead Heath Society

- Quantitative and qualitative methods to research the effects of commercial development in Kentish Town on the environs, archaeology, hydrology and conservation areas of Hampstead Heath.
- Report written for the Society which outlined potential effects and suggestions to mitigate.

Freelance Editor

August 2019 - March 2023

Georg Eckert Institut, Germany

- I have edited and indexed several book manuscripts on the topic of education and conflict since 2019. I work in particular with authors who speak English as a second language.
- I liaise with authors and the institute to agree deadlines and changes to content, and have skills in time management and balancing multiple projects.

Researcher

December 2017 - March 2019

Oxford & Empire Project, University of Oxford and Institute for Historical Injustice and Reconciliation

- Archival research and database creation on items linked to the British Empire.
- Wrote reports and spoke at internal conferences on initial findings.

### **Publications**

'The Role of Heritage in Post-War Reconciliation; Going Beyond World Heritage Sites', in 50 Years World Heritage Convention: Shared Responsibility - Conflict and Reconciliation (Springer, 2022)

'Is World Heritage Politically Sustainable?', in The Routledge Handbook for Sustainable Heritage (Routledge, 2022)

'An introduction to the political sustainability of heritage conservation and management: the influence and consequences of social and political dynamics on heritage management in post-conflict societies', in Perspectives on Sustainability in Cultural Heritage Conservation (forthcoming Routledge, 2023)

'The Role of UNESCO-led Reconstructions in post-conflict Reconciliation: the Reconstruction of the Timbuktu Mausoleums, Mali' in Heritage and Peace (Routledge, forthcoming 2024)

'The Use of Drone Technology in the Restitution of conflict-affected Heritage: the Case of Vila do Ibo, Mozambique', in Mobile Heritage: Practices, Interventions, Politics (Routledge, forthcoming 2024)

#### Conference papers:

Speaker, 'The Humboldt Forum and the Politics of Heritage: Creating a new German Political Identity in the 21st Century' at Critical Heritage Studies: Central European Perspectives Conference, 6-7 October 2022, Prague

Speaker, International Online Conference '50 Years World Heritage Convention: Shared Responsibility - Conflict and Reconciliation'; 21-22 June 2021

Speaker, Our World Heritage; Understanding Civil Society and Sustainable Heritage Futures; 2 December 2021

### **Internships**

Curatorial Intern

May - August 2019

Perm State University Museum, Russia

- Condition reports, documenting and archiving of numismatics and rare books collections, not processed since the Soviet Union.
- Worked as a consultant for State Art Gallery, Folk Museum and Museum of Modern Art in Perm to make collections and exhibits more accessible for international researchers and visitors.

Curatorial and Management Intern

June - September 2017

Auchindrain Township, Scotland

- Helped in all aspects of re-establishing the museum after a decade of closure.

- Created archival database, collection inventory and management plan for collection care.
- Helped to research and write three different versions of the museum's guidebooks for different age and interest groups.
- Managed the social media accounts of the museum and organised a family weekend of folk craft at the museum.
- Assisted the director to write budget and funding plans for projects.
- Created a temporary exhibit based on an archaeological excavation on the museum grounds.