

Editorial

Altogether, the articles in the 2017 volume of *Lund Archaeological Review* cover a time span ranging from the Early Stone Age to the Post Medieval period, and explore a variety of methodological and theoretical approaches to the past. We have articles discussing finds of rock crystal in South Africa, Scandinavian rock art and a number of articles about the Late Iron Age, regarding both the relations between central places and their local community, as well as runestones, Viking age combs and finds of weights at the Gutnal thing on Gotland.

Several articles concerns the Middle Ages. Two articles discusses medieval towns. One article analyses the lived urban space in Trondheim, while the other focuses on Motala in Östergötland, a place often discussed in connection with medieval urbanization. A re-examination of the stave church from Hemse on Gotland is made, using new digital methods, in order to revise how this wooden church may have been constructed and appeared when it functioned as a building. Different aspects of food economics in the light of meat butchered and consumed in the castles of Kastelholm and Raseborg in Finland, during the medieval and early modern period are also discussed. Finally, from the modern period, we can read the somewhat scary story of Giertrud Birgitte Bodenhoff, who according to local folklore was buried alive in Assistens cemetery, Copenhagen in 1798. We hope that this volume of *Lund Archaeological Review* will offer stimulating and interesting reading.

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