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COMMUNICATIONS

From the Editors

The editors of *Nestor* share for your holiday amusement the following ode from members of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Summer Session II, with apologies to Gilbert & Sullivan. Best wishes to all *Nestor* readers in the New Year.

I Am the Very Model of a Mycenaean Megaron

I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.
Topographer and tourist by the dozens I'm no beggar on.
I've seen the lives of Neleus and Nestor and their hangers on,
Carl Blegen, Mike Galaty, and a whole lot more I'm vaguer on.
I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

I'm very well acquainted too with tablets that are linear.
My frescoes tell of octopods and fishes that are finnyer.
Anterooms and tholos tombs I'm not the least bit hazy on.
I even cite dimensions of the one at Koryphasion.

I'm very big on porticoes and columns that are upside down.
My stirrup jars and amphoras and all my pithoi do astound.
Had we a Clytemnestra here, my bathtub sure would turn her on.
I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

Archaeologues and philologues and linguists they do treat me fine.
If only they'd reconstitute my vast northeastern store of wine,
Another three millennia I swear that I would stagger on.
I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

Earthquakes by the numbers, troubles by the score,
They beat me up and burned me down, but, like the phoenix, I came up for more.
I've rocked and rolled and smoked enough to turn the old Mick Jagger on.
I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

Admittedly in Pylos town we have no Circles A and B,
 But there is no place on earth that I would rather be.
 And one thing you can bet your inlaid dagger on,
 I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

I've seen the fates of Spartiates on battlegrounds Sphaktrial.
 Of Ibrahim and Codrington I know the whole material.
 Detritus and effluvium, I'm lucky they did cover me,
 And doubly so that Schliemann was unable to discover me.
 Στον κόσμο, στην Ελλάδα, και στην δική μου άγοραν,
 I am the very model of a Mycenaean megaron.

Future Lectures and Conferences

On 8-11 January 2009 the **110th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America** will be held at the Marriott Downtown Hotel in Philadelphia. Further information is available at the AIA website at <http://www.archaeological.org/> Papers and posters of interest to *Nestor* readers will include:

- E. Unlu, "Production Technology of Two-Handled Drinking Cups from Tarsus-Gözlükule"
- H. Martlew, Y. Tzedakis, M. P. Richards, and A. Gize, "The Late Minoan III Necropolis of Armenoi Chamber Tombs 55 and 76"
- C. S. Colburn, "The Politics of Performance: Ritual Performance Spaces in Prepalatial Crete"
- P. Hacigüzeller, "Spatial Distribution Analysis of the Middle Minoan II Pottery at Quartier Mu"
- P. P. Betancourt and E. Hadjidaki, "Excavation of the Minoan Shipwreck near Pseira, Crete"
- C. Paschalidis, "The Late Minoan III Cemetery at Tourloti near Siteia. The 'Xanthoudidis Painter' and the Octopus Style in East Crete"
- M. S. Eaby, "Unit A.2 at Chalasmenos, Crete"
- B. Molloy, "Excavations at Priniatikos Pyrgos 2007 and 2008"
- T. F. Strasser, P. Murray, E. Panagopoulou, C. Runnels, and N. Thompson, "The Results of the Plakias Mesolithic Survey on Crete, 2008"
- N. Papadimitriou, "The Middle Helladic period in Attica and the transition to Mycenaean"
- A. Philippa-Touchais and G. Touchais, "The Middle Bronze Age Settlement of Aspis at Argos (Peloponnese, Greece): First Results of the *Topographical and Architectural Study Project, 2005-2007*"
- C. Maggidis, P. Scotton, and A. Stamos, "Beyond the Walls of Agamemnon: Systematic Excavation of the Lower Town at Mycenae 2007-2008"
- A. Stamos, C. Maggidis, and E. Blinkhorn, "D.E.P.A.S. of Mycenae: Systematic Geoprospection Survey of the 'Lower Town' – 2008"
- B. Burke, B. Burns, S. Lupack, and V. Aravantinos, "The Eastern Boeotia Archaeological Project, 2007-2008, field report"
- A. Hussein, "The Minoan Wild Goat Hunt as Ritual Action"
- B. A. Judas, "Representations of Late Bronze Age Aegean Ceramics in a Notebook of Sir W. F. Petrie"
- S. Andreou, K. Swinford, N. Abell, and K. Efkleidou, "New Excavations at Thessaloniki Toumba: Continuity and Communitarity in the Late Bronze and Early Iron Ages"
- J. M. Frey, A. Stamos, and L. Tyree, "Shooting Blind: Three Approaches to Mapping Skoteino Cave"
- S. Pevnick and E. Agolli, "Prehistoric Pottery from Lofkënd, Albania: From Bronze to Iron Age in the Balkans"
- L. A. Schepartz, "Health and Environment in the Bronze Age through Recent Periods in South-Central Albania: A Comparison of the Lofkënd and Apollonia Populations"

- L. A. Gagne, "Tracing Family Ties in the Shaft Graves of Mycenae Based on Metal Grave Offerings"
- E. C. Egan, "Vase Painting as Wall Painting: A Knossian Case Study"
- E. E. Galligan, "Early Minoan Seal Iconography and Social Complexity"
- J. W. Earle, "Re-evaluating Mycenaean Trade from a Cycladic Perspective"
- A. Van de Moortel and E. Zahou, "Mitrou Archaeological Project 2008"
- T. F. Tartaron and D. J. Pullen, "The Saronic Harbors Archaeological Research Project (SHARP): A Second Season at Mycenaean Kalamianos"
- S. Vitale, "Making Mycenaeans in the 'Periphery'. A Preliminary Report on the LH IIA to LH IIIB Pottery from Mitrou, East Lokris, and Its Wider Historical Implications"
- M. T. Kramer-Hajos, "Prehistoric Politics: Orchomenos and East Lokris in LH IIIB or the Creation of the Mycenaean Periphery"
- P. A. Pantou, "Mycenaean Dimini in Context: Discussing Settlement Types and Socioeconomic Complexities in Late Bronze Age Greece"
- J. G. Younger, "Minoan Bull Leaping at Tel el-Daba?"
- E. Hatzaki, "Do Decorative Motifs have a Meaning? Ceramics, Textiles, Frescoes, and Social Agendas in Late Bronze Age Crete"
- M. Gleba, "Minoan Loom Weights in Miletos"
- B. Jones, "The Minoan Peak-Back Robe: A New Replication"
- M. G. Clinton, "Delphinis Minoicis: A New Dating of the 'Queen's Megaron' Dolphin Fresco"
- A. J. Koh, "From A to B: Reconstructing the Supply Route of a Late Minoan Perfumed Oil Workshop"
- T. P. Leppard, "Metallurgy, Urbanization, and Behavioural Structures: A Synthetic Model of Cypriot State Formation"
- D. Trusty, "This Land Is Your Land: Sacerdotal Women and Landholding in the Pylos Tablets"
- E. Drakaki, "Seal Ownership in Relation to Funerary Wealth: The Case of the Dendra, Kazarma, and Routsis Burials"
- D. Rousiotti, "Mycenaean Religion Away from the Palaces: Urban Shrines in Non-Palatial Settlements in the Greek Mainland and the Cyclades"
- R. A. K. Smith, M. K. Dabney, and J. C. Wright, "Excavation of a Mycenaean Cemetery at Ayia Sotira, Nemea"
- J. Wilde, "The Adaptation of Oriental Vessel Shapes in Attica and Euboea: New Forms of Elite Burial Practices"
- Q. G. J. Letesson, "Architectural Characteristics of Neopalatial Palaikastro"
- C. Langohr, "Late Minoan Pottery at the Bouffo (Sissi, Crete): A Preliminary Examination"
- J. Driessen, "Excavations on the Kefali at Sissi, Crete"
- D. Kriga, "Which Markets did the Thera Merchants Prefer for Exchanging Commodities? Imported Late Bronze Age Pottery from Akrotiri"
- D. Kriga, "The Building Sector A ('Storeroom of the Pithoi') at Akrotiri (Thera) and the Questions it Created: Storeroom, Shop, Workshop, or a Combination of All?"
- K. Polinger Foster, J. H. Sterba, G. Steinhauser, and M. Bichler, "New Light on Mediterranean Pumice in Egyptian Contexts"
- W. Parkinson and D. Nakassis, "Redistributive Economies in Theoretical and Cross-cultural Perspective"
- D. Pullen, "Before the Palaces: Redistribution and Chiefdoms in Mainland Greece"
- K. Christakis, "Storage and Redistribution in Minoan Crete"
- S. Lupack, "Palatial Redistribution from the Sanctuary's Point of View"
- R. Schon, "By Appointment to His Majesty the Wanax: Value Added Goods and Redistribution in Mycenaean Palatial Economies"
- J. E. Coleman, "The Origin of Aegean EB 'Frying Pans'"
- S. Lima, "Across the Ionian: Epirus in the Late Bronze Age and the Early Iron Age"

- G. Touchais C. Oberweiler, and P. Lera, "Natural Environment and Human Settlement around Lake Maliq (Korça Basin, South-Eastern Albania) during the Prehistoric Period"
- M. C. Shaw, "Aspects of Technique in Minoan Wall Painting in Crete Based on Old and New Evidence"
- K. Shelton, "The Walls Come Tumbling Down...LH IIIA Frescoes from Petsas House, Mycenae"
- A. Brysbaert, "Painted Plaster in the Aegean and East Mediterranean: Technologies and Beyond"
- L. Chryssikopoulou, "Brush Strokes from Akrotiri: Reconstructing the Wall Painting Techniques in Late Bronze Age Thera"
- H. Brecolouaki, "Artistic Craftsmanship, Materials, and Ideas in the Wall Paintings of the Mycenaean Palace at Pylos"
- A. Dakouri-Hild, "Lives in chains: artifact biographies and craft processes in Late Bronze Age Thebes"
- S. Hofstra, "Identification of a Mycenaean Chariot Wheel Tire from Pylos"
- J. Hruby, "Ceramic Transformations and Cooking Practice at the Mycenaean Palace of Nestor at Pylos"

The program of the **Minoan Seminar** has been announced for 2008-2009. All seminars begin at 6:30 pm at the Archaeological Society at Athens, Πανεπιστημίου 22, Athens 106-72. Further information is available at <http://www.minoanseminar.gr/>. Please note the change of date for the first lecture listed.

- 15 January 2009: T. Brogan, "The Late Prepalatial and Protopalatial period in the Mirabello region of East Crete; insights from recent fieldwork"
- 29 January 2009: Τ. Μαρκέτου, "Kyrbe beyond myth: art and architecture of the Late Bronze Age I settlement of Trianda in Rhodes"
- 19 February 2009: Γ. Τζεδάκης, "Αρμένοι. Νεκρόπολη, πόλη, περιβάλλον χώρος"
- 12 March 2009: L. Girella, "The tholos tomb of Kamilaria near Phaistos: new light on an old excavation"
- 30 April 2009: Δ. Μάτσας, "Το βορειοανατολικό Αιγαίο και η μινωική Κρήτη στη Μέση Χαλκοκρατία"
- 14 May 2009: Jean-Claude Poursat, Mallia excavations (exact title to be announced)
- 11 June 2009: V. Sahoglu, "Excavations at Çeşme - Bağlararası: New Perspectives on the Minoan Links of Western Anatolia"

On 6-7 March 2009 a conference entitled **Aegean Bronze Age Studies in Austria, 2009** will be held at the University of Salzburg, Austria, organized by the Department of Classical Studies, Classical and Aegean Archaeology / Ancient History and Mycenology of the University of Salzburg and by the Institute of Classical Archaeology of the University of Vienna. Further information is available at <http://klass-archaeologie.univie.ac.at/index.php?id=18821> and http://www.uni-salzburg.at/portal/page?_pageid=1345,501552&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL. Inquiries should be directed to Fritz Blakolmer (Fritz.Blakolmer@univie.ac.at) or to Claus Reinholdt (claus.reinholdt@sbg.ac.at). The program will be:

- E. Alram, "Das frühminoische Kreta: ägäische und transägäische Beziehungen"
- M. von Aufschnaiter, "Frühägäische Kanalisationsanlagen: eine Prestigesache?"
- L. Berger, "Frühhelladische Kreuzbandschalen aus Ägina. Vorläufer, Parallelen und mögliche Kontinuität"
- F. Blakolmer, "Vom Thronraum in Knossos zum Löwentor von Mykene: Kontinuitäten in Bildkunst und Palastideologie"
- D. Doncheva, "Ägäische Einflüsse über die nördliche Grenze der mykenischen Welt - aktueller Forschungsstand"
- C. Dürauer, "Ess- und Trinkgeschirr aus Aigeira"

- B. Eder, "Die nördlichen und westlichen Regionen der mykenischen Welt"
- J. Fischer, "Unfreiheit und Religion im frühen Griechenland"
- U. Günkel-Maschek, "Visual Basic? Überlegungen zur bildlichen Gestaltung minoischer Lebensräume"
- P. W. Haider, "Der Pharao weiß alles: Die geographischen Kenntnisse von Griechenland am ägyptischen Hof im frühen 14. Jh. v. Chr."
- S. Hiller, "Der Kosmos als Kylix. Ägäisches Bildgut in einer Gefäßdarstellung aus dem Grab Ramses' III."
- S. Hiller, "e-ke-ra2-wo 'Der Mann mit der Lanze'. Wortetymologie, Herrschertitulatur und Bildtopos"
- F. Höflmayer, "Ägyptische Steingefäße in minoischen und mykenischen Gräbern"
- B. Horejs, "Neue Forschungen zur Frühbronzezeit in der Ostägäis"
- R. Jung, "Zu Tisch in Enkomi vom 13. bis zum 12. Jh. v.u.Z."
- M. Kerschner, "Mykenisches und Pseudo-Mykenisches aus Ephesos"
- M. Kohl, "Lyraspieler in mykenischer Zeit. Ihre Stellung in der frühgriechischen Gesellschaft"
- D. Leiner, "Die frühbronzezeitliche Architektur in der Ägäis. Studien zu Siedlungsform, Urbanistik und Bauwesen"
- G. Nightingale, "Ende und Neubeginn. Das Handwerk von der mykenischen Palastzeit bis in die protogeometrische Zeit"
- B. Otto, "Die bronzezeitlichen Heiligtümer und Kulte auf Zypern"
- K. Pruckner, "Vollkommen und bichrom bemalte Ägäetische Keramik des späten MH bis frühen SH aus Ägina - Kolonna"
- C. Reinholdt, "Schmuck und Prestigegut als Statussymbole herrschender Eliten in der ägäischen Frühbronzezeit"
- F. Ruppenstein, "Zu Funktion und Bedeutung der minoischen und mykenischen Figurinen mit erhobenen Armen"
- K. Schaller, "Clustering von bronze- und eisenzeitlichen Körperzeichen aus dem ägäischen und ostmediterranen Raum. Anwendungsszenarien einer neuen Webdatenbank"
- N. Schlager, "Livari in Südost-Kreta"
- L. Soro, "Sardinien und die mykenische Welt: die Forschungen der letzten 30 Jahre"
- R. Steinhübl, "Die Ikonographie von Schwert und Schwertkampf im bronze- und früheisenzeitlichen Griechenland"
- K. Tausend, "Bemerkungen zum spätmykenischen Kriegswesen"
- E. Wacha, "Mobiliar in der ägäischen Bronzezeit"
- I. Weber-Hiden, "Mykenische Figurinen: eine Analyse ihrer Verteilungsmuster"
- J. Weilhartner, "Arthur Evans' Beitrag zur Entzifferung der Linear B-Schrift"
- M. Zavadil, "'Ein tüchtiger Jünger der Architektur'. Heinrich Schliemann und sein Wiener Architekt Josef Höfler"

On 23-26 April 2009 a conference entitled **Honouring the Dead in the Peloponnese. Τιμώντας τους Νεκρούς στην Πελοπόννησο** will be held in Sparta, organized by the Centre for Spartan and Peloponnesian Studies. Further information is available at http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/csps/events/peloponnese_2008.php. Papers and posters of interest to *Nestor* readers will include:

- M. Boyd, "The role of mortuary practices in the construction of Aegean Late Bronze Age social order and identity"
- E. Banou and L. Hitchcock, "'The Lord of Vapheio': The social identity of the Dead and its implications for Laconia in the LH II-III A period"
- R. Fox, "Vessels and the body in Early Mycenaean funerary contexts"
- K. Kalogeropoulos, "The social and religious significance of the 'palatial jars' as grave offerings"
- E. Ψυχογιού, "Τιμώντας τους 'μεταφυσικούς' νεκρούς: Αρχαίες και σύγχρονες

θηρησκευτικές τελετουργίες αναγέννησης με αφετηρία παράσταση σε μυκηναϊκό κρατήρα”

- I. Mathioudaki, “Honouring the dead with polychrome pots: The case of ‘mainland polychrome pottery’ in Peloponnesian funerary contexts - An interpretative approach”
- O. Βικάτου, “‘ὁ δὲ θρήνος οὐ περιγράφεται χρόνῳ’: Θρήνος-θρηνωδία και ταφική τελετή ὅπως απεικονίζονται στα πρόσφατα ευρήματα από τα Μυκηναϊκά νεκροταφεία της περιφέρειας Ηλείας”
- I. Μόσχος, “Ο κοινωνικός χαρακτήρας και η σημασία των τυπικών θανάτου κατά την ΥΕ ΙΙΙΓ περίοδο στη βορειοδυτική Πελοπόννησο”
- J.-M. Luce, “Iron Age burial customs in the Peloponnese and their place in the funerary geography of the Greek world”
- I. Georganas, “Stuck in the Past: Early Iron Age tholos tombs in Messenia”
- Α. Παπαδημητρίου, “Ταφικά έθιμα της πρώιμης εποχής του Σιδήρου στην Αργολίδα: Κοινωνικά και πολιτικά ‘υπονοούμενα’”
- C. Antonaccio, “Making Messenian heroes and ancestors”
- T. Brown, “Echoes of ancestry in ancient DNA from the Peloponnesian Bronze Age”
- T. Cullen and A. Papathanasiou, “Funerary markings of memory: Mortuary ritual at Neolithic Franchthi Cave and Alepotrypa Cave”
- C. Gallou, “The burial tradition in Early Mycenaean southern Peloponnese”
- N. Papadimitriou, “‘Passing away’ or ‘passing through’? Changing funerary attitudes in the Peloponnese at the transition from the Middle to the Late Bronze Age”
- Α. Παπάξογλου-Μανιουδάκη, “Ατιμάζοντας τους Νεκρούς. Η λεηλασία των θολωτών τάφων στην πρώιμη ανακτορική περίοδο και η περίπτωση του θολωτού τάφου στο λόφο της Μυγδαλιάς (Πετρωτό) στην Αχαΐα”
- Θ. Παπαδόπουλος and Α. Παπαδοπούλου, “Θάνατος, εξουσία και αναταραχές στην Υστερομυκηναϊκή κοινωνία της Πελοποννήσου: Η μαρτυρία των τάφων πολεμιστών”
- E. Κωνσταντινίδη-Συβρίδη and Κ. Πασχαλίδης, “Τιμώντας τους νεκρούς στα παρασκήνια: Η περίπτωση του θαλαμωτού τάφου νότια του Κύκλου Β των Μυκηνών”
- E. Παλαιολόγου, “Ο Τάφος του Αιγίσθου στις Μυκήνες: Επανεξέταση”
- N. Πολυχρονάκου-Σγουρίτσα, “Παρατηρήσεις στη χρήση ασβεστο-κονιάματος στην πρόσβαση και την είσοδο θολωτών τάφων στις Μυκήνες: Η αρχή στην ταφική διακόσμηση”
- Σ. Λαμπρόπουλος, Π. Μουντζουρίδης, and Κ. Νικολέντζος, “Υβριδικά ταφικά μνημεία της Ύστερης Εποχής του Χαλκού σε δύο νέες θέσεις του νομού Ηλείας (Στρέφι και Αρβανίτη)”
- A. Κόσσυβα, “Οι αφανείς νεκροί της Δέλπριζας Κρασιδίου”
- E. Weiberg, “The invisible dead. The case of the Argolid and Corinthia during the Early Bronze Age”
- J. Wright, “Family or State: Memorials of tension”
- J. Lebegyev, “The emotional aspects of Mycenaean child burials”

Past Lectures and Conferences

On 28-30 November 2008 the **1st Meeting on Archaeology in Crete** was held at the University of Crete in Rethymnon. Further information is available at:

<http://www.goodnet.gr/index.php?id=10,19581,1,0,1,0>. Papers and posters of interest to *Nestor* readers included:

- B. Αποστολάκου, “Παρουσίαση του έργου της ΚΔ’ Ε.Π.Κ.Α.”
- M. Ανδρεαδάκη-Βλαζάκη, “Παρουσίαση του έργου της ΚΕ’ Ε.Π.Κ.Α.”
- N. Δημοπούλου, “Αρχαιολογικό Μουσείο Ηρακλείου: Το έργο της πενταετίας”
- M. Ανδριανάκης, “Παρουσίαση του έργου της 28ης Ε.Β.Α.”

- I. Βολανάκης, “Παρουσίαση του έργου της 13ης Ε.Β.Α.”
- N. Μίνως, “Παρουσίαση του έργου του Γραφείου Κνωσού”
- M. Ανδριανάκης, “Παρουσίαση του έργου του Γραφείου Οχυρώσεων Παλιάς Πόλης Χανίων”
- M. Τσιποπούλου, “Προανακτορικό Ταφικό Σπήλαιο στον Πετρά Σητείας”
- B. Αποστολάκου, P. Betancourt, and T. Brogan, “Πρόσφατες ανασκαφικές έρευνες στην Παχειά Άμμο και τη νησίδα Χρυσή Ιεράπετρας”
- M. Eaby, “Ένας θολωτός τάφος από τον Αζοριά”
- Δ. Κρίγκα, “Η Υστερομινωική ΙΒ αγρέπαυλη στην Επάνω Ζάκρο. Νέα στοιχεία ως προς την αρχιτεκτονική μορφή και λειτουργία του κτιρίου”
- B. Ζωγραφάκη, “Ανάβλοχος Βραχασίου. Ανασκαφική έρευνα στον οικισμό και το νεκροταφείο”
- Δ. Πυλαρινού and A. Βασιλάκης, “Ανασκαφή νεολιθικού οικισμού στο Γάζι Ηρακλείου (2006)”
- N. Γαλανίδου, “Η δημοσίευση των ανασκαφικών ευρημάτων του Σ. Αλεξίου στο Νεολιθικό Κατσαμπά”
- A. Βασιλάκης, “Ανασκαφή μινωικού νεώσοικου στον Κατσαμπά Ηρακλείου (2005-2007)”
- F. Longo and M. Benzi, “Ελληνοϊταλικές επιφανειακές έρευνες στη χώρα της Φαιστού (2007-2008)”
- M. Μπρεδάκη, A. Βασιλάκης, and T. Whitelaw, “Επιφανειακή έρευνα Περιοχής Κνωσού 2005-2008: προκαταρκτική έκθεση”
- V. La Rosa, “Τελευταίες ανασκαφικές έρευνες στη Φαιστό και στην Αγία Τριάδα”
- E. Καβουλάκη, “Ανάκτορο Κνωσού: Εργασίες Στερέωσης – αποκατάστασης των τοιχοδομιών των Δυτικών Αποθηκών”
- N. Allegro, “Οι πρόσφατες έρευνες στον γεωμετρικό και αρχαϊκό οικισμό στη θέση Προφήτης Ηλίας της Γόρτυνας”
- Γ. Σακελλαράκης, “Ζώμινθος 2008”
- E. Γαβριλάκη, “Τα αποτελέσματα των πρόσφατων εργασιών στο σπήλαιο Μελιδονίου”
- Ί. Τζαχίλη and E. Παπαδοπούλου, “Συστηματική ανασκαφή στο ιερό κορυφής του Βρύσινα Ρεθύμνου”
- Γ. Κορδατζάκη, “Ένδεικτική ανάλυση κεραμικού υλικού από την έρευνα επιφανείας στον ορεινό όγκο του Βρύσινα”
- E. Παπαδοπούλου, “Μινωικός τάφος στην περιοχή της Απτέρας Χανίων”
- E. Καπράνος, “Υστερομινωικός θαλαμωτός τάφος στην Πηγή Ρεθύμνου”
- Γ. Σπαντιδάκη and C. Moulherat, “Το ύφασμα των Χανίων”
- B. Λίπα, “Σύστημα καταγραφής και Τεκμηρίωσης αρχιτεκτονικών δομών”
- X. Σοφιανού and T. Brogan, “Μινωικός Οικισμός Παπαδιοκάμπου Σητείας. Η ανασκαφή της Οικίας Β1 κατά το 2008”

On 4 December 2008 a symposium entitled **Interconnections and Regional Narratives in Mediterranean Archaeology (ca. 1700-700 BCE)** was held at the Institute of Advanced Studies in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Papers of interest to *Nestor* readers included:

- M. Bietak, “The Minoan connections of Egypt”
- Y. Goren, “International Exchange in the Eastern Mediterranean: The case of the Uluburun Ship as seen through the Petrographic Microscope”
- S. Morris, “Isaac and Iphigenia: comparing accounts of infant sacrifice in Greece and the Near East”
- J. Smith, “Regionalism and the Role of Cyprus in Mediterranean Interconnections”

- J. Papadopoulos, “Why Jerusalem needs Athens: Reflections on Early Iron Age absolute chronology”
- I. Singer, “The Tel Apehek Fragment and the Problem of Early Philistine Writing”
- L. Hitchcock, “Building Mediterranean Identities: The Role of Architecture”
- M. H. Gates, “Manufacturing a Mediterranean identity at Kinet Hüyük, a remote Bronze Age port in Cilicia”
- J. Rutter, “Transport Vessel Forms from Kommos (Southern Crete) in the Late Bronze Age and Their Implications for Cultural Interactions throughout the Central and Eastern Mediterranean”

On 18-19 December 2008 the **Raymond and Beverly Sackler Symposium: Beyond Babylon: Art, Trade, and Diplomacy in the Second Millennium B.C.**, related to the exhibition of the same name, was held at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Papers of interest to *Nestor* readers included:

- M. T. Larsen, “Cultural Interaction in the Middle to Late Bronze Age”
- E. H. Cline, “Aegean–Near Eastern Relations in the Second Millennium B.C.”
- C. Pulak, “The Oxhide Ingots of the Bronze Age: Evidence Gleaned from the Uluburun Shipwreck”
- Ch. G. Doumas, “The Bronze Age City of Akrotiri and Its Contacts with the East”
- S. Marketou, “The Wall Paintings of Ialysos: Painters, Style, and Miniature Painting on a Plaster Offering Table in Late Bronze Age IA”
- M. Bietak, “Minoan Paintings in a Thutmoside Palace Precinct at Avaris, Eastern Nile Delta”
- P. Pfälzner, “Between Syria and the Aegean: The Wall Paintings in the Royal Palace of Qatna”
- J. Aruz, “Seals and the Imagery of Interaction”
- A. Caubet, “Faience and Other Vitreous Materials: Expressions of the International Style”
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- K. Benzel, “Ornaments of Interaction: Jewelry of the Late Bronze Age”

On 29 December 2008 a **Symposium in Honour of Itamar Singer, on the Occasion of His Retirement: Anatolia and the Levant** was held in Tel Aviv by the Department of Archaeology and Ancient Near Eastern Cultures, the Sonia and Marco Nadler Institute of Archaeology, and the Faculty of Humanities, Tel Aviv University . Further information is available at http://www.tau.ac.il/humanities/archaeology/info/Singer_Symposium.pdf. Papers of interest to *Nestor* readers included:

- A. Yasur-Landau “ The Word and the Sherd: Itamar Singer and the Historical Contextualization of the Canaanites and the Philistines ”
- A. Gilan “The Search for the Truth about the Past: The Historical Scholarship of Itamar Singer ”
- I. Singer “Closing Remarks”

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