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Detecting the Past

PRESENTS

Integrating Metal-Detecting and Archaeology







19 NOVEMBER 2026

BUFFET LUNCH 10 SPEAKERS MUSEUM REFRESHMENTS ONLINE OPTION

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10 AM - 6 PM

Trimontium Museum

Ormiston Hall
MELROSE

Discoveries, debate and innovation come together as archaeologists and metal-detectorists explore new approaches to conflict archaeology, numismatics and the protection of our shared heritage.

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ORMISTON INSTITUTE, MELROSE
Thursday 19 November 2026

9:30am	Registration & Coffee	
10:00am	Prof Stuart Campbell	Welcome & Opening Remarks
10:15am	Film	Voices from the Field
10:30am	Dr Fraser Hunter	Rewriting the Roman Iron Age with Detecting Finds
11:00am	David Connolly	Stepping into the Field - Archaeology and Metal Detecting
11:30am	Dr Antony Lee	Treasure Trove in Scotland: Metal Detecting, Data and Digital Dissemination
12:00pm	Prof Suzie Thomas	Grounded Memories: the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Metal Detecting in the Netherlands
12:30pm	Lunch	Buffet Lunch
1:30pm	Prof Stuart Campbell	Learning from the Trimontium Museum Metal Detecting Surveys
2:00pm	Christina Seehusen	The Many Faces of Metal Detecting
2:30pm	Bridget McGill	Looking from Both Sides: the Engagement between Detectorists and Treasure Trove through the Scottish Archaeological Finds Allocation Panel (SAFAP)
3:00pm	Coffee / tea	
3:30pm	Dr Chris Griffiths	Treasure and Collecting in Museums
4:00pm	Keith Westcott	SPIAS: Systematic, Partial and Intensive Artefact Survey: The Practitioner Detectorist and Metal Detecting as a Non-Intrusive Archaeological Evaluation Technique
4:30pm	Dr John Reid	Wide Area Metal Detection: a Game Changer in Conflict Archaeology
5:00pm	Final remarks	