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Vikings Lecture Series

Thursday December 2, 2021, at 19h Athens time

Hybrid in-person and zoom attendance

(Registration is Required)

### ***Gjellestad - a New Norwegian Viking Age Ship Burial***

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## Abstract

In 2019 a new, monumental ship burial had been discovered with georadar at Gjellestad in SE Norway. The site is located immediately next to Norway's second largest burial mound, Jellhaug. A test excavation proved that wooden parts of the ship were preserved, but were rapidly degrading. The burial was therefore excavated by the Museum of Cultural History, University of Oslo, during 2020 and 2021. Excavations finished only early October this year, and documentation and analyses are still ongoing.

The lecture will focus on the excavation, its priorities and its findings; it will further discuss how the Gjellestad burial relate to the nearby, but apparently younger ship graves from Oseberg, Gokstad, Tune and Borre, as well as to the larger phenomenon of ship graves in the Viking Age.

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