

CHAT 2010: 'North'

Northern Worlds in Contemporary & Historical Archaeology

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Northern worlds have always suffered from stereotyping. Since the Enlightenment, 'North' played the role of frontier of geographic knowledge and wilderness of harrowing and sublime proportions. The last century saw its diversification as a space of untapped resources, from fur and gold to oil and gas. In other historical moments, 'North' figured large as a relational concept in the formulation of identities and mentalities, especially by those farther south.

Drawing on the point of view that material culture can provide, CHAT 'North' at the University of Aberdeen seeks to question and move beyond caricatures to explore, compare and reassess the diversity and significance of northern worlds.

First call for papers: The organizing committee would like to invite papers on the broad theme of 'North' by **May 31st 2010** to CHAT2010@abdn.ac.uk

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