

Our Beginnings

Archaeological Society of Sri Lanka was established in March 1966 by a group of scholars who wanted to expand their interests in the history and archaeology of Sri Lanka.

Since then, the society has grown its span of interest to all aspects of History, Art and Architecture that define the geofootprint of Sri Lanka and the South Asian Region. The current membership of the society as at December 2018 exceeds over 350 members.

Vision

"To be the pioneer association in Sri Lanka in the fields of archaeology and related areas"

Key Objectives

International level

To serve as the national association in promoting the increase and dissemination of archaeological knowledge within all levels of society in Sri Lanka through a diverse series of mechanisms and activities
 To act as a lobby group for the deterrent of activities detrimental to preserving the essence of Sri Lanka's rich history ,archaeology and cultural authenticity while garnishing the support of both public and private sector organisations
 To promote active discourse and cooperation among likeminded societies and agencies in encourage archaeological

research and conservation efforts at local, regional and

Our Activities

Diverse initiatives undertaken by the Archeological Society.

Monthly lectures.

Lectures take place every 2nd week of the month throughout the year held at RAS Auditorium. These are given by visiting speakers that provide valuable insight into recent trends in research and current archaeology and new discoveries. Videoed version of Lectures are available to members via our Facebook page.



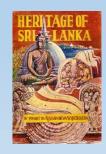


Publications

- Yearly Journal 'Sri Lanka Puravidya Samhita
- ASSL Newsletter The society's information journal is circulated once every quarter among the members highlighting the activities of the society.
- ☐ Publications undertaken by ASSL on topics of Interest related to the fields of Archaeology and History.









Research Conferences:

The Society organizes an annual research conference on history and archaeology. The main objective is to provide the members and other scholars an opportunity to present their research findings on history, archaeology and related cultural topics. This also presents an opportunity for the members to gather knowledge of new research.



Exhibitions:

Photographic and painting exhibitions are held from time to time on themes selected by the Society.

Study Tours:

Study tours are organised annually to archaeologically important sites with the aim of improving the knowledge of archaeological sites. Special focus is provided on sites recently being excavated, conserved or discovered.

Seminars & Workshops:

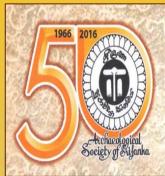
Workshops are held occasionally on selected and current themes on history and archaeology, as selected by the Society.





Partner Reach Program

This is a initiative which seeks to develop inter-society programmes related to Archaeological Research through common assistance at both regional and international level. This will also include the exchange or members for voluntary and other research based activities within the partner network.





Established 1966

Office Bearers for 2018/2019

The list of office bearers appointed for the year 2019/2020 at the 53rd Annual General Meeting of the Society held on the 7th April 2019 are given below.

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