

The Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures (CSMC)
announces a Lecture

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**Philology in Ancient Mesopotamia:
Setting the Wedge - Working the Manuscript**

As script emerges in Mesopotamia large bodies of written lore emerge over the millennia addressing various areas of knowledge. Compilation, care, and transmission of these texts between 3000 BC until the turn of the eras required a high degree of specialisation. Minute familiarity with differing scripts and languages as well as methods for both taking care of texts and making sense of texts represent the foundation of philological work. Tracing the invention of philology, the paper will discuss methods and techniques used by the scholars in ancient Mesopotamia in order to create, preserve and utilize the collection of manuscripts handed down within the cuneiform tradition.

Thursday, 15 June 2017 at 6 pm
Room 0001, CSMC