A CREDOC Provocation
Civilisation: Feasting and Drinking

Tuesday 11th March 2014, 6.30pm-8.00pm
UCL Institute of Archaeology, Room 612, 31-34 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PY

Food and drink figure prominently in the understanding of civilisation as a process that incorporates forms of etiquette. Archaeologists have focused on the origins of food production and domestication. Anthropologists have focused on cooking, cuisine, feasting and sacrifice as key to cultural comparison. Classicists have explored the centrality of the symposium to ancient Greek culture and self-identity. The seminar will consider how a cross-civilisational perspective might enhance our understanding of human habits of food production and consumption and the politics of drinking and feasting.

CHAIR
Michael Rowlands (UCL Material Culture Studies)

SPEAKERS
Christopher Carey (UCL Greek and Latin)
Dorian Fuller (UCL Archaeobotany)
Kaori O’Connor (UCL Anthropology)
Sami Zubaida (Politics, Birkbeck)

All are welcome. Registration is not required. Open to the public.