

Dr. Richard Buckley  
"Richard III, The King Under the Car Park: the story of the search for the  
burial place of England's last Plantagenet king"

**Lecture summary:**

The Assumption College HumanArts series and the Archeological Institute of America (AIA) proudly present Dr. Richard Buckley, OBE, BA, FSA, MiFa from the University of Leicester. Dr Buckley will speak on Richard III, The King Under the Car Park: the story of the search for the burial place of England's last Plantagenet King.

In August and September 2012, a team of archaeologists from the University of Leicester set out to search for the final resting place of Richard III in a car park in central Leicester. Against all odds, the project proved to be successful in locating a potential candidate to be the king, and his identity was subsequently confirmed beyond reasonable doubt after an extensive programme of scientific analysis, including a DNA match with modern-day relatives, generating press interest from all around the globe.

Short bibliography and/or website on lecture topic:

*University website:*

<http://www.le.ac.uk/richardiii/>

Further reading:

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