Council for British Archaeology 2023 Haiku entries All entries feature in @ArchaeologyUK Social Media 2023/2024



	Name	Haiku 1	Haiku 2	Haiku 3	Haiku 4	Haiku 5
1	Tonnie Richmond	The Ness of Brodgar a neolithic wonder — just two more seasons.	The Ring of Brodgar has so many visitors. Evenings are quieter.	Always wash your hands after a morning's digging; rat pee makes you sick.	The Dwarfie Stone, Hoy, is said to contain fairies — take care when you pass.	So joyful, to dig a neolithic building under Orkney skies.
2	Heather Millard	Musical Stones Sound Carvings intrigue observers Across the years, create				
3	Caroline Fowler	Awestruck, thrilled, speechless Unearthing ancient relics Timeless rare moments	Mysterious crypts Hidden from the outside world Mystical marvels.	Fragile artefacts Fine, beautifully preserved History surfaced.	Amazing fossils Ossified and petrified New stories unfold.	Historic remains Excavations dignified Grim revelations.
4	Sue Mackrell	Laid on a swan's wing a mesolithic baby mother lies nearby	Curved spine, battle wounds arch villain or maligned king in a Leicester car park	A Roman toddler's foot imprinted on a roof tile with a dog's paw marks	In Staffordshire Hoard an Anglo-Saxon seahorse gold filigree spirals	
5	Sarah Mills	On saltating sands The sphinx's paws never catch The breath of pharaohs.	The paintings are warm, You can sense the blood that ran In Altamira.	Illumes barrows callais- green Birthing sarsen souls.		
6	Annie Lamb	with the white man's blade she butchers clam after clam their shells lie empty	you whose thumb made this pert print on the well-worked clay are we not akin?			

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7	Boakesey Closs	Digs, but no gard'ner. Always living in the past. Archaeologist.	Egypt makes me sad Mummies but no Daddies found Menfolk disappeared?	Windows to the past How do we begin this task? Interpretation.	Deep in the future What will people think about When they dig US up?	
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8	Kimberley Lynch	Dust unveils the past, Muddy boots explore stories, Hands off MY trowel!				
9	Kath Hunter	At Fromelles they found Long after war had ended His return ticket.				
10	Graham Taylor	Soft clay fire transformed Dropped impact shattered pot sherd Trowelled from soft clay				
	Gary Webster	A story of change. New people crafting landscape. Another Chapter.				
12	Lieu	Crowned with shooting stars Silbury Hill; dark void in the windy night sky				
13	Hidden Histories	Research, research, plan Dig, dig, dig, dig, dig, dig Post-Ex, sleep, repeat!				
14	Anke Marsh	To study our pasts Look no further than phytos; Fab wee silica!				

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26	SFrearson	Farmer knows his land But not below the plough blade Call in Lidar girl இ ♀	 	
27	Amy H	The ancestors tales Are buried beneath our feet We choose to dig deep		
	Dr Sheahan	what did you find?;they Asked, looking at my deep trench. I found lots of worms		
	Jenna Hear	Shining in the dark Neither silver, gold or gem But are treasures still		
30	Kenton Clarke-Williams	Archaeology Wow my life is in ruins Now for a cold beer! A broken pot sherd		
31	Jenna Heard	Displaced, lost and meaningless? A fragment of time		
32	Jenna Heard	Faces from the past They stare intently at me - Tell me your secrets		
33	José Ruiz Flores	Muddy boots and clothes Chirping of summer trowels Joy in the trenches.		
34	Henry Morris	Blade bit sun baked soil Scraped away long centuries Ghosts bathed in bright light	 	
35	Dawn Mclachlan	Blade - by Dawn Mclachlan Forged for ancient war Dark soil was my protector Raised aloft once more		

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		Pot - by Dawn Mclachlan		
36	Dawn Mclachlan	Ancient hands worked us Scoring patterns through soft clay		
		Long Barrow - by Dawn Mclachlan		
37	Dawn Mclachlan	Curve of land and stone Hints of secrets locked beneath Whispers of the past		
		Grave goods - by Dawn Mclachlan		
38	Dawn Mclachlan	This earth speaks to us With a voice of bead and bone Embers of the past		
40	Matilda Siebrecht	A ball carved from stone Four knobs with swirling patterns What were you made for?		
41	Nigel Swift	Greetings Pollisoir, Rock of ages. Why so smooth And grooved? Just axing.		
42	Clive Green	Search for artefacts. Find. Delicately remove, History in my hand.		
43	Sonni Fraimsoe	Rain pools on the grass, No Roman watercourse here? Ashes lost again!		
44	Robyn Andrews	From up above we fly, A glimpse of the past to see, Hiding in the ground.		
45	Emma Killen	Gently gently sweep The grains and dust aside now clutch the past revealed		

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		Research design leads				
		Trowel investigation				
46	Justin Freeman	The past shapes our future.				
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		Before yesterday, People and nature combine.				
47	Shannon Hogan	Echoes forever.				
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		Sifting mole hills at	Shovel, trowel, spade -	Archaeology.		
		Epiacum Roman fort.	These are the tools of the trade.	Making a discovery.		
49	Ruth Lopes Airosa	What a hoard of finds!	Oh, and a toothbrush!	Hands on history.		
		Rhythm of many		Pause what's past, make it	Have an open mind	
		Feet on Stone Street, as crow	Who dropped you, did they	Now, dirt under my nails,	Track the path that's left	
		flies,	Search, as I did, on their knees?	find	behind	
		Earth and Wood sustain.	Whose hand held you last?	Memories of lives	Oh, what will I find?	
50	Karen Penney					
		Rock way down so dark and				
		deep				
		One day they shall meet				
51	Don Williams					
		Knowledge is below				
		Dig layer upon layer				
		Dirt of ancient truths				
50	Jennifer G					
52	Jenninel G			United United and United		A a might a sum saus
		Slowly emerging	The town now sprawling	Unused, Untouched, Under	Excavation brings	Aerial survey
		Not just forgotten bones show	Following old lines and walls	Earth	Knowledge of our ancestors	Archeological dig
		Lives Rediscovered	The past waits beneath	Someone's future gold	A new dawn rises	The past comes alive
53	Simon O'Leary					
		Sometimes there are times				
		When i look down on the dirt				
5.4	Andrew He					
54	Andrew Ho	And ill think of worms				
		Dig, Dig, dig, dig, Ninety-nine				
		per cent of times Not a thing is				
55	Boakesey Closs	found				

56	Joanna Dancer	In ancient soils of Humanity, secrets find - Exciting! explain				
	Christopher Calvin	the ancient unearthed artifact by artifact puzzle for new world	sunrise on ruins sands sifted, dust brushed, path found history retraced	unmasking the face of hidden world and untold tales ghost orchid blooms dance	star gazing, an awe in constellations, a thought who ? we used to be	year is defrosting (c)older fossils are revealed spring's discovery
58	Helen Redfern		On Hallaton On Bottle Kicking, Castle, Hoard, Pilgrims - All Welcome!			
59	Madeleine Fleming		Keen trowel scrape earth, Protective crust - hidden prize, Just one more layer.			
60	Robin Walter Mills	We all dig the torc Might and wealth woven in gold Appreciated				
61	Susan Smith	"Hawk- eyed ten year old Treasure seeker out at play Dug up my garden"				
62	Eleanor Kent	What would you think then? If you knew what we do now Would you leave decoys?	Glinting in the soil May be gold from a royal Oh no, it's one pound	Sensing history, Sun glints, fills the ancient hall Megalithic tomb	Walking on your grave I will dig your ancient bones Stories they will tell	
63	Ishaan Deb	Bones in dust concealed, Unearthed tales of ages past, Time's secrets revealed.				

		Haiku comp entry: 'Welsh Treasure'				
64	George Kiernan	Darkest soil dig deep, Gold coins hidden dragons teeth. Treasure on slag heap.				
65	Sophia Airosa	Digging for treasure Digging into the unknown				
20	Sophia Airosa	Digging up the past				
		Piercing through the ground Eager to find history				
66	Isabel Airosa	Unearthing the past				
67	Della Baroutchi	Fractured crockery Concealed beneath dirt and years Each fragment a tale				
		Deep down underground Sleep History's hidden jewels Waiting to be found				
68	Beatrice wiseman					
69	Rosie O'Toole	"Down the mattock digs Where someone has dug before. A ditch now twice-lived."	Together we dig Below today's horizons To glimpse skies gone by.	Preserved in red clay A thumbprint that matches mine Suspended in time.	They ate well that night, But all they left for us were Charred hazelnut shells.	
70	Pavan Dendukuri	"The great stone wall stands, In the ground the splintered stones, Where their remnants lie."				

		Under modern feet,		
		Lies an ancient treasury		
71	Beatrice Wiseman	Waiting to be found		
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		Stuck in stone, chips away		
		Lost forever, lay in clay		
72	Eloise Skye Smith	History found today		
		Light casts new shadows		
		on old treasures from past		
		lands,		
73	Scarlett Bowen	glimpses from beyond.		
		Archaeology		
		Archaeology is fun		
74	Ethan McGarvey	Digging up the past		
		Dig down deep - 'neath grass		
		And stars - see haze of old		
		days		
75		Cam like under meund		
/5	Annie Cast-Coombs	Gem-like under ground.		
		Dig into the soil		
		We find stone, bone and metal		
76	Maia Swindles	Uncover our past		
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		Megalithic tomb,		
		You go in and gold comes out.		
	Constance Baird	Only once a year.		
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		Digging through the sand		
		My anada bita ar alay is it		
		My spade hits on clay, is it		
78	Wilfred Baird	Treasure I have found?		
		A dinosaur dig		
		Skeleton bones all around		
79	Eleanor Roberts	Next stop, museum		