

UPPER WHARFEDALE HERITAGE GROUP

Thursday 3rd April 2025

**Animals and Humans in the La Tène art of England and Wales,
with special reference to Yorkshire.**

A talk by Dr Reb Ellis-Haken, University of York

Craven Arts House, Skipton at 7.30pm



Stanwick Horse Mask © Trustees of the British Museum

The use of figurative depictions in early Celtic art (c.400BC-AD100), in England and Wales has always fascinated researchers. For decades it has been thought that the aggression of boars made them an ideal symbol of warriors, that corvids related to the battlefield and death, and that horses were the sacred symbol of kings. However, a recent doctoral study challenged these old ideas, including revealing the importance of regionality in this subject area. This talk will introduce this topic, and specifically focus on the use of figurative imagery by Late Iron Age communities in Yorkshire.

Craven Arts House, 55 Otley Street, Skipton. BD23 1ET

£5.00 Entrance (£3.00 for UWHG Members) Free refreshments

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