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Colonial Queensland's Indigenous history examined in free lecture

Research surrounding the procurement of Aboriginal skeletal remains in colonial Queensland will be presented at the UTAS Cradle Coast campus next week.

Professor Paul Turnbull, of Griffith University, will present the free public lecture, *'My humanity did not go so far': the procurement of Aboriginal skeletal remains in colonial Queensland, 1870-1900*, on Tuesday June 3 at 6pm.

Professor Turnbull will discuss his research into the connections between scientific procurement of Indigenous ancestral bodily remains and frontier violence in Queensland during the last three decades of the 19th century.

In particular, the lecture will focus on how the Queensland Museum enlisted the help of native police in procuring remains, often knowing that crania and skeletal bones were stolen from traditional burial sites, or were the remains of Aboriginal people killed during punitive expeditions.

The event is presented by the UTAS School of History & Classics and Riawunna, in association with the Community Place and Heritage Research Unit.

The lecture will be held in Room D201 with refreshments being served from 5.30pm in the campus' Red Lion Café.

Bookings are essential. For more information and reservations phone (03) 6430 4949 or email ccc.support@utas.edu.au

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