In the seminar Helene Martinsson Wallin explore the concept of Cultural Heritage Management in a Pacific context. She highlights two case studies which comprise two of the margin areas in the so called Polynesian triangle. These islands have different historical trajectories but a common ground is that they were populated by Austronesian speaking groups in prehistory and the indigenous people on these islands have a common decent. They share a colonal past with the introduction of Christianity since the mid-19th century but today they are quite diversified. The introduction of Archaeological research was established on these islands around the mid-1950s but the importance of archaeology and legal protection and management of archaeological sites looks very different. From these case studies she discusses if there are common ground of the contemporary Cultural Heritage Management in the vast Pacific area or if the cultural and geographical differences have shaped the current relationships and importance of the past material culture and identity, specific historical trajectories and hybridisation.

The seminar will be held in Swedish. Seminaret hålls på svenska.

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