

Asyut through time: conflict and culture in Middle Egypt

The Annual Egyptological Colloquium
Thursday 20 July and Friday 21 July 2017
BP Lecture Theatre, British Museum



Thursday 20 July

- 09.30 Registration
- 10.00 Welcoming remarks
Neal Spencer, British Museum
- 10.10 Introduction
Ilona Regulski, British Museum

The Gebel al-Gharbi necropolis

Chair: Ilona Regulski, British Museum

- 10.25 Activities in Gebel Asyut al-Gharbi during the New Kingdom
Ursula Verhoeven, Mainz University
- 11.00 Going to the dogs: canid mummies and faunal remains from the Tomb of the Dogs in Asyut
Chiori Kitagawa, Mainz University
- 11.30 Coffee break

Daily life in Asyut

Chair: Cary Martin, UCL/British Museum

- 12.00 Conflict in Middle Egypt: new insights into the early demotic family archive from Asyut
Jannik Korte, University of Heidelberg
- 12.30 Surroundings of 'Siut' as told by papyri
Bahar Landsberger,
University of Heidelberg
- 13.00 Lunch

Asyut as production centre

Chair: Valentina Gasperini, British Museum

- 14.30 Asyut's First Intermediate Period pottery: new insights into ancient material
Andrea Kilian, Mainz University
- 15.00 Asyut – a place at the heart of trade routes
Teodozja Rzeuska, University of Warsaw
- 15.30 Coffee break

Asyut collections

Chair: John Taylor, British Museum

- 16.00 A wood workshop at Asyut at the beginning of the Middle Kingdom: technical and stylistic study of a profuse production
Gersande Eschenbrenner-Diemer, UCL
- 16.30 Objects in context: the Turin Museum excavations in Asyut (1906–1913)
Paolo Del Vesco, Museo Egizio

Raymond and Beverly Sackler Foundation Distinguished Lecture in Egyptology

- 18.00 Asyut: capital that never was
Jochem Kahl, FU Berlin

Followed by a reception in the
Egyptian Sculpture Gallery (Room 4)

Friday 21 July

Regional centres

Chair: Margaret Maitland,
National Museums Scotland

- 10.00 The 11th upper Egyptian nome: shedding new light on a neglected neighbour of Asyut
Ann-Cathrin Gabel, FU Berlin
- 10.30 Artists and their clients at Shashotep
Marcel Marée, British Museum
- 11.00 Rifeh: burial customs between palace and local tradition
Wolfram Grajetzki, UCL London
- 11.30 Coffee break

Asyut's post pharaonic hinterland

Chair: Elisabeth O'Connell, British Museum

- 12.00 The site of Manqabad: from Roman castrum to Christian monastery
Rosanna Pirelli, University of Naples
- 12.30 Asyut, rural shrines and the rise of the Coptic Church
Philip Booth, Oxford University
- 13.00 Lunch

The Asyut region from Mamluk to modern times

Chair: William Greenwood, British Museum

- 14.15 The dyke of Asyut, from Mamluk to modern times
Nikolas Michel, IFAO Cairo
- 14.45 The rise of Asyut as a regional capital of Upper Egypt in the 18th and 19th centuries
Terence Walz, Washington
- 15.15 Coffee break

Shashotep-Shutb

Chair: Gina Criscenzo-Laycock,
University of Liverpool

- 15.45 A deep history of Shutb: in search of ancient Shashotep
Judith Bunbury, Cambridge University & Ilona Regulski, British Museum
- 16.15 Valorising the ordinary: documenting the vernacular heritage of Shutb village
Heba Shama & Kareem Ibrahim, Takween Integrated Community Development
- 16.45 Documentary film: reconnecting local communities with their heritage. Case study Shutb
Oliver Wilkins, producer of the film
- 17.00 Concluding discussion and remarks

Please note: programme subject to change