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# Oriental Institute World-Wide Web Site — New and Developing Resources in 2010–2011

(NOTE: all web addresses below are case-sensitive)

Several Oriental Institute units and projects either updated existing pages or became a new presence on the Institute's website during the past year.

# ARCHAEOLOGY: Jericho Mafjar Project

The Oriental Institute announces a new archaeology project, the Jericho Mafjar Project, under the direction of Donald Whitcomb. New excavations just underway in the northern areas of Khirbet al-Mafjar, located north of Jericho in the Palestinian territories, will investigate the theory that the site was not just a palace complex, but was instead an incipient Islamic city.

https://oi.uchicago.edu/getinvolved/donate/adoptadig/jericho.html http://jerichomafjarproject.org/

# **ARCHAEOLOGY: Nubian Expedition**

The Nubia Expedition's archaeological fieldwork in 2008 is detailed in a progress report. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/projects/oine/

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## ARCHAEOLOGY: Tell Edfu Project

The Tell Edfu Project, under the direction of Nadine Moeller, has created a homepage for the project on the Oriental Institute's website, with a brief description of the project's work at the town site of Tell Edfu, several images from their 2009 field season, and a link to the project's independent website.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/projects/edfu/

## MUSEUM: Special Exhibits

An image gallery containing more than fifteen photographs of objects from the Oriental Institute Museum's special exhibit Visible Language: Inventions of Writing in the Ancient Middle East and Beyond, is now available on our website. Additionally, four YouTube videos showing the evolution of written script over time have been added to our Museum's current Special Exhibit page.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/museum/special/writing/

Nine audio tours of the Oriental Institute Museum's exhibit Visible Language: Inventions of Writing in the Ancient Middle East and Beyond are available for free download, so that you can use your own iPod or other MP3 player to listen to Museum staff discuss the exhibition as you view it.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/museum/tours/audio.html

#### **ORIENTAL INSTITUTE LECTURES**

Two Oriental Institute lectures are now available for viewing as downloadable video presentations: "Exploring the Roots of Mesopotamian Civilization: Excavations at Tell Zeidan, Syria," a lecture by Gil Stein; and "Meluhha: The Indus Civilization and Its Contacts with Mesopotamia," a lecture by Mark Kenoyer.

https://oi.uchicago.edu/getinvolved/member/events/recordings.html

### ORIENTAL INSTITUTE SYMPOSIUM

The 2011 Oriental Institute Symposium, Iconoclasm and Text Destruction in the Ancient Near East and Beyond, April 8–9, 2011.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/symposia/2011.html

# PHILOLOGY: Chicago Demotic Dictionary

Chicago Demotic Dictionary publishes letter M.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/cdd/

Chicago Demotic Dictionary publishes letter P.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/cdd/

Chicago Demotic Dictionary publishes letter 71.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/cdd/

# PHILOLOGY: Epigraphic Survey

An update to their homepage with notes and photographs from the Epigraphic Survey's eighty-sixth season, which ended in April 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/projects/epi/

The Epigraphic Survey's *Chicago House Bulletin*, issue 21 (September 2010), is available for download as a PDF.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/chbXXI.pdf

Updates on the status of the Institute's staff and their work in the area around Luxor, Egypt, as the unrest and protests occurred in Cairo in early 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/projects/epi/#news

#### PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Examine x-ray images of a real mummy! Become the archaeologist for a virtual Nubian burial site! Decode inscriptions and learn to write in ancient Middle Eastern scripts! History and archaeology come alive when students discover the Oriental Institute Museum collections with *Ancient Artifacts of the Middle East!*, a new educational DVD about ancient Egypt, Nubia, Mesopotamia, Israel, and Turkey.

https://oi.uchicago.edu/order/sug/index.html#dvd

Wendy Ennes, associate head of Public Education, was recently invited by EDSITEment to write about the Oriental Institute's new resource, Teaching the Middle East: A Resource for Educators. EDSITEment is a partnership among the National Endowment for the Humanities, Verizon Foundation, and the National Trust for the Humanities and is a proud member of the Thinkfinity Consortium of premier educational websites.

http://edsitement.neh.gov/teaching-middle-east-new-online-resource-educators#node-21647

#### PUBLICATIONS OFFICE: Electronic Publications

AS 11. The Sumerian King List. By Thorkild Jacobsen. Originally published in 1939.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/as/as11.html

AS 16. Studies in Honor of Benno Landsberger on His Seventy-fifth Birthday, April 21, 1963. Edited by Hans G. Güterbock and Thorkild Jacobsen. Originally published in 1965.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/as/as16.html

CHDS1. Ankara Arkeoloji Müzesinde bulanan Bogazköy Tabletleri II — Bogazköy Tablets in the Archaeological Museum of Ankara II. By Rukiye Akdoğan and Oğuz Soysal. 2011.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/chds/chds1.html

OIC 4. The Excavation of Armageddon. By Clarence S. Fisher. Originally published in 1929. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oic/oic4.html

OIC 9. New Light from Armageddon: Second Provisional Report (1927–29) on the Excavations at Megiddo in Palestine. By P. L. O. Guy. Originally published in 1931.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oic/oic9.html

OIMP 32. Visible Language: Inventions of Writing in the Ancient Middle East and Beyond. Edited by Christopher Woods. 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oimp/oimp32.html

- OIMP 33. *Before the Pyramids: The Origins of Egyptian Civilization.* Edited by Emily Tetter. 2011. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oimp/oimp33.html
- OIP 2. The Annals of Sennacherib. By Daniel David Luckenbill. Originally published in 1924. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip2.html
- OIP 12. The Proverbs of Solomon in Sahidic Coptic According to the Chicago Manuscript. Edited by William H. Worrell. Originally published in 1931.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip12.html

OIP 26. Material Remains of the Megiddo Cult. By Herbert Gordon May. Originally published in 1935.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip26.html

- OIP 32. *The Megiddo Water System*. By Robert S. Lamon. Originally published in 1935. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip32.html
- OIP 33. Megiddo Tombs. By P. L. O. Guy. Originally published in 1938. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip33.html
- OIP 52. *The Megiddo Ivories*. By Gordon Loud. Originally published in 1939. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip52.html
- OIP 61. Excavations in the Plain of Antioch 1: *The Earlier Assemblages Phases A-J.* By Robert J. Braidwood and Linda S. Braidwood. Originally published in 1960.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip61.html

OIP 62. Megiddo 2. Seasons of 1935-39: Text and Plates. By Gordon Loud. Originally published in 1948.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip62.html

OIP 133. Baked Clay Figurines and Votive Beds from Medinet Habu. By Emily Teeter. 2010. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip133.html

OIP 137. Tell Hamoukar 1. Urbanism and Cultural Landscapes in Northeastern Syria: The Tell Hamoukar Survey, 1999–2001. Jason A. Ur. 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/oip/oip137.html

OIS 7. *Slaves and Households in the Near East*. Edited by Laura Culbertson. 2011. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/ois/ois7.html

SAOC 17. *Notes on the Megiddo Pottery of Strata VI-XX*. By Geoffrey M. Shipton. Originally published in 1939.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/saoc/saoc17.html

Islamic Bindings and Bookmaking. A Catalogue of an Exhibition in the Oriental Institute Museum, University of Chicago, May 18-August 18, 1981. By Gulnar Bosch, John Carswell, and Guy Petherbridge. Originally published in 1981.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/misc/bindings.html

The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, Vol. 20: U and W. Edited by Martha T. Roth. 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/cad/

The Babylonian Genesis: The Story of Creation. By Alexander Heidel. Originally published in 1951. http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/misc/genesis.html

The Gilgamesh Epic and Old Testament Parallels. By Alexander Heidel. Originally published in 1949.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/catalog/misc/gilgamesh.html

# PUBLICATIONS OFFICE: Oriental Institute Annual Reports

Annual Report 2009-2010

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/ar/09-10/

#### PUBLICATIONS OFFICE: Oriental Institute News & Notes

The Oriental Institute *News & Notes* for 1999 through 2001, summer and fall 2010, winter 2011, and spring 2011 electronic publications in Adobe PDF format

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/pubs/nn/

#### RESEARCH ARCHIVES

Oriental Institute Research Archives Acquisitions Lists:

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-June2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-July2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-August2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-September2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-October2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-November2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-December2010.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-January2011.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-February2011.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-March2011.pdf

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/AcquisitionsList-April2011.pdf

# INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP: Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations Dissertations Online

"Mud Sealings and Fourth Dynasty Administration at Giza," a dissertation presented to the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, by John S. Nolan. Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, The University of Chicago, June 2010.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/library/dissertation/nolan.html

Supplemental data supporting John S. Nolan's dissertation.

http://oi.uchicago.edu/research/is/scholars/nolan/

## INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP: John Brinkman

2011 version of John A. Brinkman's Mesopotamian Directory http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/MesDir.pdf

# INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP: Norman Golb

"The Mystery of National Geographic's 'Dead Sea Scrolls Mystery Solved?'"

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/the\_mystery\_of\_national\_geographic\_solved.pdf

"The M. H. De Young Memorial Museum (San Francisco) Exhibition of the Dead Sea Scrolls (February 26-May 29, 1994) — A Response"

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/devoung\_dss\_exhibit\_1994.pdf

"The 'Qumran Sect' Revindicated?"

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/qumran\_conundrum\_2.pdf

"The Rabbinic Master Jacob Tam and Events of the Second Crusade at Reims"

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/the\_rabbinic\_master\_jacob\_tam.pdf

"The Role of Personality in the Transfer of Scientific and Philosophical Knowledge from the Eastern Caliphate Westward."

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/Role of Personality.pdf

"The Caliph's Favorite — New Light from Manuscript Sources on Hasdai ibn Shaprut of Cordova."

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/ The Caliph's Favorite.pdf

#### INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP: Robert Ritner

"An Eternal Curse upon the Reader of These Lines"

http://oi.uchicago.edu/pdf/eternal\_curse.pdf

# INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP: Dissertation proposal(s) accepted by the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago.

Solange Bumbaugh, November 2009: "Meroitic Worship of Isis as Seen through the Graffiti of the Dodecaschoenus"

Robert R. Tate, December 2009: "The Seljuk Caravanserais of Anatolia: A GIScience and Landscape Archaeology Study"

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Although Charles Jones is no longer in charge of the Oriental Institute's Research Archives, he still actively maintains several vital electronic resources for ancient Near Eastern studies just as he had done during his tenure in Chicago. Thank you, Chuck, for your continuing service to the field and our faculty, staff, and students.

# ABZU: Guide to Resources for the Study of the Ancient Near East Available on the Internet

http://www.etana.org/abzu

#### ETANA: Electronic Tools and Ancient Near Eastern Archives - Core Texts

A substantial selection of digitized titles from the collections of the Research Archives has been added to the ETANA Core Texts this year.

http://www.etana.org/coretexts.shtml

### **IRAQCRISIS**

A moderated list for communicating substantive information on cultural property damaged, destroyed, or lost from libraries and museums in Iraq during and after the war in April 2003, and on the worldwide response to the crisis. A component of the Oriental Institute's response to the cultural heritage crisis in the aftermath of the war in Iraq, this list provides a moderated forum for the distribution of information.

https://listhost.uchicago.edu/mailman/listinfo/iraqcrisis