

## Brian Muhs

During the academic year 2013–2014, much of **Brian Muhs**' research related to his book project, *The Ancient Egyptian Economy*, which he submitted to Cambridge University Press in May 2014. He also completed three articles on subjects relating to the ancient Egyptian economy, namely "Money, Taxes and Maritime Trade in Late Period Egypt," for the proceedings of Heracleion in Context: The Maritime Economy of the Egyptian Late Period, a conference at Oxford the previous year; "Property Title, Domestic Architecture, and Household Lifecycles in Egypt," for the proceedings of the Oriental Institute Seminar Household Studies in Complex Societies: (Micro) Archaeological and Textual Approaches; and "A Loan Contract in Chicago from the Archive of the Theban Choachytes (Second Century BCE)," for a festschrift. Muhs submitted two book reviews, one of Peter F. Dorman and Betsy M. Bryan (eds.), *Perspectives on Ptolemaic Thebes*, Papers from the Theban Workshop 2006 (Occasional Proceedings of the Theban Workshop / Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization 65. Chicago: The Oriental Institute, 2011); and the other of A. Monson, *Agriculture and Taxation in Early Ptolemaic Egypt: Demotic Land Surveys and Accounts* (P. Agri), (Papyrologische Texte und Abhandlungen 46; Bonn: Dr. Rudolf Habelt, 2012).

Three of his articles appeared this year, including "Greek and Demotic in the Roman Fayyum," pp. 110–18 in J. G. Keenan, J. G. Manning, and U. Yiftach-Firanko (eds.), *Law and Legal Practice in Egypt from Alexander to the Arab Conquest: A Selection of Papyrological Sources in Translation, with Introductions and Commentary* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014); "Temple Economy in the Nag' el-Mesheikh Ostraca," pp. 155–64 in M. Depauw and Y. Broux (eds.), *Acts of the Tenth International Congress of Demotic Studies, Leuven, 26–30 August 2008* (Orientalia Louvaniensia Analecta 231; Leuven: Peeters, 2014); and "Demotic Texts from Qasr Ibrim," pp. 167–78, in J. van der Vliet and J. L. Hagen (eds.), *Qasr Ibrim, Between Egypt and Africa: Studies in Cultural Exchange* (NINO Symposium, Leiden, 11–12 December 2009) (Egyptologische Uitgaven 26; Leiden: Nederlands Instituut voor het Nabije Oosten; Leuven: Peeters, 2013). One book review also appeared, of A. Monson, *From the Ptolemies to the Romans. Political and Economic Change in Egypt* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), in the *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 73/1 (April 2014), pp. 152–55.

Muhs gave a tour of the exhibition *When the Greeks Ruled: Egypt after Alexander the Great*, at the Art Institute of Chicago on December 19 for the James Henry Breasted Society, with curator Mary Greuel and conservator Rachel Sabino. He also gave a gallery talk on “Death and Taxes in Ancient Egypt” in the Oriental Institute Museum Joseph and Mary Grimshaw Egyptian Gallery on April 16. He taught courses on Egyptian history, literature, Middle Egyptian texts, and Coptic texts. For the Coptic texts course, he and the students read unpublished papyri in the Oriental Institute Museum collection.

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