

Classical colloquium **Archaeology behind the battle lines: Macedonia 1915–1919**

Saturday 2 November 2013, 09.30–17.30

Stevenson Lecture Theatre, British Museum

£5, Members/concessions £3, includes tea/coffee



Objects from a 5th-century BC warrior's grave found by the British Salonika Force and acquired by the British Museum in 1919.

Abstract

This symposium builds on the Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki's exhibition *Archaeology behind the battle lines: Thessaloniki in the turbulent years (1912–1922)*. The exhibition charts the archaeological activity in the decade after Thessaloniki became part of Greece, a period marked by an extraordinary internationalism as a result of the population movements caused by the shifting of national borders and the troop movements which accompanied the First World War. A group of international speakers will consider the place of archaeology and archaeologists in these political and military developments, the discoveries of the Army of the Orient, and their impact on the archaeological study of the region. The resulting collections of antiquities are now held in Thessaloniki, London, Paris, Edinburgh and Oxford, and their associated publications remain influential. Scholars such as Ernest Gardner, Eustratios Pelekides and Leon Rey helped to lay the foundations for the work of subsequent generations of scholars. With the centenary of the Salonika Campaign approaching, it is time to revisit the sites and objects uncovered during this turbulent period and look back at a century of research.



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| <p>09.00 Tea and coffee
in the Clore Education Centre</p> <p>09.30 Introductions
Lesley Fitton, British Museum
Cathy Morgan, British School at Athens</p> <p>09.50 Archaeological research in Macedonia since 1912: then and now
Polyxeni Adam-Veleni, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki</p> <p>10.10 Trenches, borders and boundaries. Prehistoric research in Greek Macedonia
Kostas Kotsakis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</p> <p>10.30 A most cosmopolitan front: defining features of the Salonika Campaign 1915–1918
Alan Wakefield, Imperial War Museum</p> <p>10.50 Tea and coffee
in the Clore Education Centre</p> <p>11.10 Foreign archaeologists in Greece in time of war
Richard Clogg, University of Oxford</p> <p>11.30 National ideology and the management of antiquities in Greece during the first decades of the 20th century
Evangelia Stefani, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki</p> <p>11.50 The formation of the collection of the Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki and the exhibition <i>Archaeology behind Battle Lines: a dialogue</i>
Angeliki Koukouvou, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki</p> <p>12.10 General discussion</p> <p>12.30 Lunch (not provided)</p> | <p>14.00 Prehistoric tells in war and peace in central Macedonia
Stelios Andreou and Nikos Valasiadis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</p> <p>14.20 Title TBC
Ken Wardle, University of Birmingham</p> <p>14.40 In the trenches: old sites, new finds and the Early Neolithic in Macedonia
Anastasia Dimoula, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki</p> <p>15.00 General discussion</p> <p>15.20 Tea and coffee
in the Clore Education Centre</p> <p>15.50 The excavations conducted by the Service Archéologique de l'Armée d'Orient in northern Greece: new information from the archives kept in France
Sophie Descamps, Louvre Museum</p> <p>16.10 The British Salonika Force collection at the British Museum
Andrew Shapland, British Museum</p> <p>16.30 Chauchitza at the National Museum of Scotland
Margaret Maitland, National Museum of Scotland</p> <p>16.40 Objects from Macedonia in the Ashmolean Museum
Yannis Galanakis, University of Cambridge</p> <p>16.50 General discussion</p> <p>17.30 Finish</p> |
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