



COLLOQUIUM

The Heroic Age of Archaeological Research in the Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East, ca. 1860–1950

Saturday, 8 May 2010

Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, Lecture Room, 66 St. Giles', Oxford

This colloquium will explore the intellectual, ideological, institutional and methodological framework of Near Eastern archaeological practice, from its beginnings to the immediate aftermath of World War II, examining how the pioneers worked (as well as their personal, scholarly and political predispositions), to field logistics, life in the trenches, and issues of publication and dissemination of the expedition results.

09:00–9:15 Lukas Amadeus Schachner (Convener, Oxford): *Introduction*

SESSION 1: SYRIA & ASIA MINOR, c. 1860–1950

Chair: Prof Bert Smith (Oxford)

09:15–9:55 **Dr Marlia Mango** (Oxford): *From Heroic to Academic, c. 1860–1914: the Marquis de Vogüé, Gertrude Bell and Howard Crosby Butler*

09:55–10:35 **Dr Sabine Ladstätter** (Österreichisches Archäologisches Institut, Wien):
Ephesus: Austria's Big Dig

10:35–11:00 *Résumé* (Session 1), followed by a COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 2: THE EARLY ISLAMIC REALM

Chair: to be confirmed

11:30–12:10 **Dr Mahmoud Hawari** (Khalili Research Centre, The Oriental Institute):
Robert W. Hamilton (1905–1995): a civil servant, an architect and an 'occasional archaeologist' in the Middle East

LUNCH BREAK

13:30–14:10 **Prof Alastair Northedge** (Université de Paris I – Sorbonne):
Studying Samarra: early strategies for mega-site analysis

14:10–14:35 *Résumé* (Session 2), followed by a COFFEE BREAK

SESSION 3: CONSTANTINOPLE/ISTANBUL

Chair: Lukas Amadeus Schachner

15:05–15:45 **Prof Cyril Mango** (Oxford):
The Russian Archaeological Institute, the Byzantine Institute, and Ernest Mamboury: the first archaeological explorers of Byzantium at Constantinople, from 1895

15:45–16:25 **Prof Jim Crow** (Edinburgh):
David Talbot Rice (1903–1973) in the Byzantine Capital

16:25–16:50 *Résumé* (Session 3)

CONCLUDING REMARKS

ca. 17:00 **Dr Bryan Ward-Perkins** (Oxford),
followed by archival video footage screening, 1913–1930 (to be confirmed)

Price: £5, including lunch and refreshments; to register please email
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