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Amarna Sunrise to Sunset

With Dr Aidan Dodson

Saturday, 12th May 2018

10.45am to 3.30pm*
Lecture Theatre, Chesterfield Central Library,
New Beetwell Street,
Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S40 1QN



Two Lectures, including two 15 minute breaks, a 1 hour 15 minutes lunch break, raffle and a question & answer session.

- 1. Amarna Sunrise
- 2. Amarna Sunset

Doors open 10.15 for 10.45am start.*

Tickets SSAE members £8, non-members £14, on the day £15 to all**

*Timings my change.

**Please note tickets are limited and may not be available on the day.



Tickets are non-refundable.

Please make your own lunch arrangements. Food & drink is available at the library. There are also a number of cafés, pubs and eateries within walking distance.

S.S.A.E Local Chesterfield Group, Amarna Sunrise to Sunset Day School, 12th May 2018

Name (please print):
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No. of Tickets required: Members £8: Day-Visitors £14 Amount enclosed: £
Please make cheques payable to SSAE Local and send with this slip (**if you require a hard copy of the ticket please send a stamped Addressed envelope) to:
Amarna Sunrise to Sunset Day School, 2A Birch lane Hollingwood, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S43 2JZ. You can also pay by bank transfer, please Email: ssaelocal@gmail.com
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Amarna Sunríse

The latter part of the fifteenth century BC saw Egypt's political power reach its zenith, with an empire that stretched from beyond the Euphrates in the north to much of what is now Sudan in the south.

The wealth that flowed into Egypt during the 'golden age' of the Middle Eastern Late Bronze Age allowed its kings to commission some of the most stupendous temples of all time, some of the greatest dedicated to Amun-Re, King of the Gods.

Yet a century later these temples lay derelict, the god's images, names, and titles all erased in an orgy of iconoclasm by Akhenaten, the devotee of a single sun-god.

This Lecture traces the history of Egypt from the death of the great warrior-king Thutmose III to the high point of Akhenaten's reign, when the known world brought gifts to his newly-built capital city of Amarna, in particular looking at the way in which the cult of the sun became increasingly important to even 'orthodox' kings, culminating in the transformation of Akhenaten's father, Amenhotep III, into a solar deity in his own right.

Amarna Sunset.

Year 12 appears to have been the Akhenaten's peak of his revolution, with a great festival at Amarna when the known world brought gifts to the king and his family. But this very festival may have sowed the seeds of collapse. This second lecture traces the tragedies of the next few years that saw the deaths of many of the king's loved ones, his attempts to guarantee the revolution through co-rulers, and the last frenzied assault on the god Amun. In the last months of his life, Akhenaten appointed his wife Nefertiti as his co-pharaoh, a role which she seems to have continued under the young Tutankhaten, through which she was herself instrumental in beginning the return to orthodoxy, undoing her erstwhile husband's life-work before her own mysterious disappearance

We then to the events of the subsequent decades that saw the extinction of the royal line, an attempt to place a foreigner on Egypt's throne, and the accession of three army officers in turn, heralding a new dynasty, and a rather different Egypt.

How to find us: Chesterfield Central Library, New Beetwell Street, Chesterfield, Derbyshire

Satnav: S40 1QN

7 miles off Junction 29 M1

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