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IN THE EYE OF THE STORM

Archaeology in the Midst of the War in Syria

Apr 20, 2017 at 6:30pm

**Houston Museum of Natural Science
Wortham Giant Screen Theatre**
5555 Hermann Park Dr, Houston, TX 77030

While ISIS threatens the history and cultural identity of the populations under its control, people are fighting their influence to defend their cultural heritage. Uncovered three decades ago by an international team lead by UCLA Archeologist Giorgio Buccellati and his wife Marilyn Kelly-Buccellati, Urkesh, one of the oldest cities in history located a few miles from the Turkish border in northeastern Syria, has become a beacon of hope to the people of the town of Amouda.

How is it that an archaeological excavation may have social relevance in today's Syria? What is the impact of these findings on contemporary history and culture? What do this discovery and need for preservation tell us about our own humanity and sense of identity?

Crossroads Houston invites you to a lecture with Drs. Giorgio and Marilyn Kelly-Buccellati, with opening remarks from Dr. Charles Stewart.

Tickets may be purchased at the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences Box Office or by phone at 713.639.4629 - use coupon code **Lec\$6off**. Advance purchase is recommended.



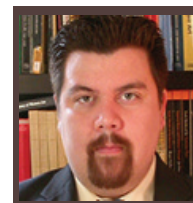
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