

A Life of Luxury: Persia, Mesopotamia and Central Asia from Cyrus to Alexander

A Specialist Art Short Course

30th May - 2nd June 2023

TUESDAY 30TH MAY

10.00 – 11.15	<i>A Life of Luxury: the Refined World of Ancient Persia</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
11.45 – 13.00	<i>Elam and Anshan: Luxury Culture in the Southern Zagros</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
14.00 – 15.15	<i>The World of Cyrus the Great: Babylon, Sardis, and Pasargadae</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
15.30 – 16.45	<i>Darius the Great at Susa</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones

WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY

10.00 – 11.15	<i>Persepolis – Palace Culture and Aesthetics</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
11.30 – 12.45	<i>Tents and the Nomadism in Achaemenid Persia</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
14.00 – 15.15	<i>Kingship versus Decadence: Perspectives on the Persians and Alexander in Central Asia</i>	Dr Sara Peterson
15.30 – 16.45	<i>The Art of Dress at the Persian Court</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones

THURSDAY 1ST JUNE

10.00 – 11.15	<i>Fighting Cocks, Peacock Fans, and Parasols: the Lure of Persia in Classical Athens</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
11.30 – 12.45	<i>At the Great King's Table: Food and Feasting at the Achaemenid Court</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones
14.00 – 17.00	<i>Visit to the British Museum, including the exhibition: Luxury and Power, Persia to Greece, 550–30 BCE</i>	Prof Lloyd Llewellyn-Jones & Dr Sara Peterson

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

10.00 – 11.15	<i>The Scent of Paradise: Incense and Perfumery in Ancient Iran</i>	Dr Sara Peterson
11.30 – 12.45	<i>A Life of Luxury in the Parthian Empire</i>	Dr Vesta Sarkhosh-Curtis
14.00 – 15.15	<i>Treasures of Thrace (to be confirmed)</i>	Dr Dòmhnall Crystal
15.30 – 16.45	<i>The Golden Crown from Tillya-tepe: Reinterpreting Persian and Hellenised Imagery in Afghanistan</i>	Dr Sara Peterson

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