

International Workshop

The Physicality of the Other: Masks as a Means of Encounter

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An international and interdisciplinary conference "The Physicality of the Other: Masks as a Means of Encounter" will be held on 9–11 November, 2015 in Leipzig. The main subject matter is mask-artefacts of the eastern Mediterranean in the 3rd to 1st millennia B.C.E. You will find a detailed description in the attachments of this e-mail. Primarily, we will discuss the characteristics of ancient masks, what mask-figure becomes present by wearing a mask and what influence ancient masks had on the European counterparts (especially in Greece). Many experts in different disciplines such as Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Egyptology, Theology (Old Testament Studies), Archaeology as well as Cultural Anthropology and Performance Studies will participate in discussion. The below is a list of planned speakers and the subjects of their papers:

Mrs Judith Filitz, Leipzig:	Masks: an interdisciplinary approach
Prof. A. Schäfer, Halle/Saale:	Masks in a cultural-anthropological perspective
Dr. Renee Friedman, London:	The archaeological findings from the Early Dynastic Period
Dr. Alexandra von Lieven, Berlin:	The archaeological and textual indication since the Old Kingdom
Dr. Penelope Wilson, Durham:	The Mask of Bes
Prof. Izak Cornelius, Stellenbosch:	Masks from the Levant (Neolithic and Bronze Age)
Dr. Dominik Elkowicz, Mainz:	Masks from the Levant (since Iron Age)
Prof. Angelika Berlejung:	Does the Old Testament know masks?
Dr. Lauren Ristvet, Pennsylvania:	Archaeological findings from Mesopotamia
Dr. Claudia Beuger, Halle/Saale:	Mesopotamian masks of the 1st millennium
Mrs Juliane Stein, Leipzig:	Masks from Syria
Prof. Bärbel Morstadt, Bochum:	The masks of the Phoenicians
Dr. Erin Averett, Omaha:	Masks from Cyprus
Dr. Angeliki Varakis-Martin, Kent:	The Greek Masks
Mr Daniel Dost, Leipzig:	The Etruscan Phersu and the Latin persona

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judith.filitz@uni-leipzig.de. We will be very pleased if we can welcome you as a participant at our conference.