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Typologies, Teaching and Tutankhamun: An Update from the Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Archaeology, University College London

The Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Archaeology is home to over 80,000 objects from Egypt and Sudan, and many of these objects were excavated by Sir William Matthew Flinders Petrie and his Egyptian workforces from sites across Egypt. This lecture will explore some of the lesser-known stories relating to the collection, and some of the characters who contributed to the foundation and care of the Petrie Museum over the past century including Professor Kosaku Hamada, Japan's 'Father of Archaeology'. Here I will also present an update on recent work at the Petrie Museum, including our latest project 'Tutankhamun the Boy: Growing Up in Ancient Egypt'. This project explores Tutankhamun's legacy and celebrates his life 100 years after the discovery of his tomb, drawing upon objects in the Petrie Museum collection from Tell el-Amarna and Gurob.

Biography

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