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Curriculum Vitae

PhD, University of Toronto, 1987

Areas of interest: Late prehistory of Egypt; the origins of complex societies

and early states in northeast Africa: Egypt, Nubia, and northern

Ethiopia/Eritrea; the Red Sea trading network in the Bronze & Iron Ages.

EXCAVATIONS & FIELD WORK

Co-director of the joint BU/IUO (Istituto Universitario Orientale di Napoli) project at Aksum, Ethiopia, 1993-2002. We excavated a number of sites, including a large elite residence and cemetery on Bieta Giyorgis Hill to the northwest of Aksum, dating to the late 1st millennium BC and 1st millennium AD. We are now working on compiling and editing the publication of the excavations. I am also co-director (with Rodolfo Fattovich) of excavations at the Middle Kingdom port of Wadi Gawasis, on the Red Sea in Egypt.

» Calendar »

Monday, January 19 | 12:00 AM

[Holiday: MLK Jr. Day](#)

Tuesday, January 20 | 12:00 AM

[Spring 2015 Semester begins](#)

Wednesday, January 21 | 3:00 PM

[Archaeology Dissertation Proposal of Laura Heath](#)

Wednesday, January 28 | 12:00 PM

[Department Meeting](#)

Monday, February 16 | 12:00 AM

[Holiday: President's Day](#)

Tuesday, February 17 | 12:00 AM

[Monday's Schedule](#)

Wednesday, February 25 | 12:00 PM

[Department Meeting](#)

Saturday, March 7 | 8:00 AM

[Spring Break March 7 - March 15](#)

» News »

[Francisco Estrada Belli Scientific American magazine article](#)

[Emeritus Professor Norman Hammond presented the Fourth Andrzej Wiercinski Annual Lecture at the University of Warsaw, Poland](#)

[Irina Shingiray \(GRS'11\) appointed Postdoctoral Research Associate, Oxford University](#)

[Christina Luke was a recent US speaker in Serbia](#)

PUBLICATIONS

2001 Some remarks on the processes of state formation in Egypt and Ethiopia. Co-author: R. Fattovich. In *Africa and Africans in Antiquity*, E. Yamauchi, ed., pp. 276-290. East Lansing: Michigan State University Press

2000 The emergence of the Egyptian state. In *The Oxford History of Ancient Egypt*, I. Shaw, ed., pp. 61-88. Oxford: Oxford University Press

1999 *Encyclopedia of the Archaeology of Ancient Egypt*. London: Routledge (1999).

1997 Urbanism and the rise of complex society and the early state in Egypt. In *Emergence and Change in Early Urban Societies*, L. Manzanilla, ed., pp. 59-86. New York: Plenum

1994 The Egyptian Predynastic: an overview, *Journal of Field Archaeology* 21: 265-288

1992 Toward an interpretation of the role of ideology in the evolution of complex society in Egypt, *Journal of Anthropological Archaeology* 11: 1-24

News

[“Egypt’s Lost Fleet”](#) Andrew Curry’s article in *Discover* magazine about Kathryn Bard’s archaeological work proving that ancient Egyptian’s mastered oceangoing technology.

Boston Globe Article from January 11, 2010 “Sailing into Antiquity: BU archaeologist unearths clues about ancient Egypt’s sea trade” [Click here.](#)

NOVA/PBS January 12, 2010 at 9 p.m. will featured “Building Pharaoh’s Ship”. Nova followed the team of archaeologist and boat builders as they reconstructed the vessel and then launched it into the Red Sea. [Watch the program on line here.](#)

[BU Archaeology Professor Michael Danti spoke at the Metropolitan Museum of Art](#)

[National Geographic article features William Saturno, Francisco Estrada-Belli, and graduate student Mary Clarke](#)

[Alumna, Christina Hodge \(GRS’07\), publishes book](#)