

“New Light on the Egyptian Origin of the Hebrew Alphabet”

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Participants

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Schedule

Evening Public Symposium: Thursday, December 1st, 7:00-8:30 PM
(Young Research Library Conference Room 11360)

“New Light on the Egyptian Origin of the Hebrew Alphabet—A Context for the New TT99 Ostrakon”

— Prof. William Schniedewind

Respondents:

Prof. Ben Haring, Leiden University
Prof. Alice Mandell, University of Wisconsin
Prof. Seth Sanders, University of California, Davis

Workshops

(Young Research Library Conference Room 11360)

Friday, December 2nd

10:00-12:00 Morning Workshop

10:00-11:00 Ben Haring, “The New *Halḫam* Ostrakon of the Early New Kingdom: Its Discovery and Interpretation”

11:00-11:30 Thomas Schneider, “The TT99 Ostrakon and the Early Alphabet(s) in Egypt”

11:30-12:30 Workshop Discussion

12:30-2:30 LUNCH BREAK

2:30-3:00 Aaron Burke, “Left Behind: The Decoupling of Attached Specialists at the End of the Late Bronze Age”

3:00-3:30 Alice Mandell — “LB to Iron Age: New Scripts and Why They Were Created”

3:30-4:00 Seth Sanders — “The Invention of the Alphabet and Egyptian Writing Systems”

4:00-5:00 Workshop Discussion

Participants Dinner