# **Nicholas Robert Brown**

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#### EDUCATION

2017-Present	University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California
	PhD Candidate, NELC Department
2012-2015	The American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt
	MA Degree, Egyptology Department
2013	University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California
	Visiting Graduate Researcher, NELC Department
2008-2011	University of California Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California
	BA Degree (with Honors), Cultural Anthropology

## EMPLOYMENT and VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

# **Academic Appointments**

2022 (Summer)	Instructor of Record, NELC Department, UCLA (ANE M166: Art of Death in Ancient Egypt)
2022 (Spring)	Teaching Assistant, NELC Department, UCLA (MES 50CW: Making and Studying the
	Modern Middle East)
2021 (Summer)	Instructor of Record, NELC Department, UCLA (ANE M103A: Egyptian Civilization, Pt. 1)
2020 (Summer)	Instructor of Record, NELC Department, UCLA (ANE 166: Art of Death in Ancient Egypt)
2018-Present	Graduate Student Researcher, NELC Department, UCLA
2018 (Fall)	Teaching Assistant, NELC Department, UCLA (ANE M103A: Egyptian Civilization)
2017 (Winter)	Course Reader, NELC Department, UCLA
2017 (Spring)	Session Leader, Ministry of Antiquities Museum Sector Training Program, Cairo
2012-2017	Research Assistant, SAPE Department, The American University in Cairo
2010 (Summer)	Course Reader, Anthropology Department, UCSB

#### Archaeology

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2022-Present	Co-Director, Deir el-Ballas Expedition, the AEHAF Project
2021-2022	Field Archaeologist, "North Desert Cemetery Project" at Amarna, the Amarna Trust
2020	Field Archaeologist, Tombos, Sudan Expedition, UCSB and Purdue University
2019	Field Archaeologist, Deir el-Ballas Expedition, the AEHAF Project
2017	Field Archaeologist, "North Tombs Cemetery Project" at Amarna, the Amarna Trust
2016-2017	Draftsman & Archaeologist, "Realities of Life" Project at Elephantine, DAIK
2014-2017	Director, New Kingdom Sticks and Staves Project, Egyptian Museum, Cairo
2014-2016	Field Archaeologist, Wadi el-Hudi Expedition, Aswan
2014	Field Archaeologist, South Asasif Conservation Project, Luxor
2011	Field Student, Tell el-Amarna Geophysical Archaeology Field School, UCLA
2009-2011	Intern, Tombos Project Lithic and Pot Sherd Analysis, UCSB
2009	Survey Archaeologist, Underground Utility Assessment Projects, Santa Barbara, CA

#### Museums

Research Intern, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, USA
Research Assistant, UCLA Coffins Project, Egyptian Museum, Cairo, Egypt
Student, Egyptologists as Museum Curators Field School, Museo Egizio, Turin
Terrace Curatorial Research Associate, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, USA
Volunteer, the Egyptian Museum in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt
Intern, Repository for Archaeological and Ethnographic Collections, UCSB

#### **Editorial Positions**

2019-Present	Copy & Research Editor, Recycling for Death mss., AUC Press (Cairo)
2022	Copy Editor, the German Archaeological Institute in Cairo (DAIK)

#### **Media and Television**

2022	Interviewee, Netflix Series, Kargan Seven Pictures & Netflix
2022	Interviewee, "Crazy Rich Ancients" Series, The History Channel
2021	Consultant and Peer-Reviewer, "The Book of Queer" Series, Discovery+ Media
2021	Interviewee, "History by the Numbers" Series, Saloon Media & Curiosity Stream
2020	Interviewee, "The Proof is Out There" Series, Six West Media & The History Channel
2020	Interviewee, "The UnXplained" Series, Prometheus Studios, Inc. & The History Channel
2019	Consultant and Researcher, Ancient Egypt Documentary, PRO Unlimited, Inc.
2018	Host, "An Egyptologist Reviews Ancient Egypt in Movie Scenes," BuzzFeed Media
2018	Host, "Egyptologist Explain the Great Pyramids to Teens," BuzzFeed Media
2018	Interviewee, "Tut's Space Necklace," NASA's Unexplained Files, WAG TV
2018	Consultant and Researcher, "Uncovering Egypt" Series, Thinkfactory Media

## PUBLICATIONS

## Print

Forthcoming: "Inlaid with All Precious Stones': the Provenance and Function of a Group of Coffin Inlays from the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston."

Forthcoming: A. Veldmeijer, S. Ikram, N. Brown "Tutankhamun's Sticks and Staves," In T. Tewfik (ed.) *Tutankhamun International Conference Publications*. Cairo.

In Press: "The Beautiful One Returns: the Altered Identities of the Nefertiti Bust." In F. Haikal, M. Abdel-Nasser, Y. El-Shazly, E. D. Abdou and F. Keshk (eds.) *Ancient Egypt in Egypt until the Beginning of the Twenty-first Century: Impact and Reception*. Cairo: AUC Press.

In Press. "Reconstructing Merenptah's Missing Coffin: Some Thoughts on a Royal Coffin and Coffin Craft Industry in the Valley of the Kings." In Peter Lacovara (ed.) *Wonderful Things: Essays in Honor of C. Nicholas Reeves*. Atlanta, GA: Lockwood Press.

2022: "Reevaluating Social Histories: the Use of Ancient Egypt in Contemporary Art." In D. Candelora, N. Ben-Marzouk and K. Cooney (eds.) *Ancient Egyptian Society. Challenging Assumptions, Exploring Approaches.* New York, NY: Routledge. 210-222.

2021: "House E." In P. Lacovara, S. D'Auria, and J. Elisas (eds.) *Deir el-Ballas: Preliminary Report on the Deir el-Ballas Expedition 2017-2021*. Albany, NY: The Ancient Egyptian Heritage and Archaeology Fund. 7-13.

2020: "Raise Me Up and Repel My Weariness! A Study of the Coffin of Thutmose III (CG 61014)." *MDAIK* 76: 11-35.

2019: "Quarrying." In L. Sabbahy (ed.) *All Things Ancient Egypt: an Encyclopedia of the Ancient Egyptian World*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Press. 437-440.

2019: "Sticks and Staves." In L. Sabbahy (ed.) *All Things Ancient Egypt: an Encyclopedia of the Ancient Egyptian World*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Press. 500-502.

2017: "Traversing into the Afterlife: Identifying a Wooden Fragment from the South Tombs Cemetery." *Horizon: the Amarna Project and Amarna Trust Newsletter*, Issue 18, Autumn 2017: 12-13.

2017: "Come My Staff, I Lean Upon You: The Use of Staves for the Divine Transformation of the Deceased in the Ancient Egypt." *JARCE* 53: 189-201.

## **Co-Authored Publications**

2020: C. Arbuckle MacLeod, N. Brown, K. Cooney, Y. El-Shazly. "Ritual Reuse: the History of the Coffins in the Royal Cache." *Luxor Times Magazine* no. 3 (October 2020): 6-15.

## **Book Reviews**

2022: Review of "Aidan Dodson, *Nefertiti: Queen and Pharaoh of Egypt. Her Life and Afterlife.* Cairo: AUC Press, 2020." *JARCE* 57: 287-289.

## **Online Publications**

2021: "The Coffin of Ramses II." ARCE.org. https://www.arce.org/coffin-ramses-ii
2020: "The KV55 Coffin." ARCE.org. https://www.arce.org/kv55-coffin
2020: "Coffin of Amenhotep I." ARCE.org. https://www.arce.org/coffin-amenhotep-i
2020: "Mannequin of Tutankhamun." ARCE.org. https://www.arce.org/mannequin-tutankhamun
2019: "Excavating the Archive of the Harvard-Boston Expedition to Sudan." NileScribes.org [September 14, 2019]. https://nilescribes.org/2019/09/14/archive-harvard-boston-expedition-sudan/
2019: "Tutankhamun's Sticks." ARCE.org. https://www.arce.org/resource/tutankhamuns-sticks

# SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

2022	Thames Valley Society for Ancient Egypt, Research Grant
2022	Best Student Paper, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, ARCE 73 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting (Irvine, CA)
2021-2022	UCLA International Institute, Research Grant
2020-2021	Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Grant, UCLA
2019-2020	Graduate Research Mentorship (GRM), UCLA
2019	Excellence in Pedagogy and Innovative Classrooms Program (Mellon Foundation), UCLA
2019	Center for Near Eastern Studies Conference Grant, UCLA
2018-2022	Charlie Steinmetz Travel Fund, UCLA Cotsen Institute of Archaeology
2018-2019	Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Grant, UCLA
2018-2021	Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara, Research Grants
2018, 2019	Graduate Summer Research Mentorship (GSRM) Grant, UCLA
2016	Graduate Student Conference Grant, the American University in Cairo
2015	University Fellowship, the American University in Cairo (Received: 2013, 2014 & 2015)
2014	Zahi Hawass Fellowship for Archaeological Research

#### LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Apr. 2023	"Rediscovering Pharaoh's Crew: Recent Archaeological Survey and Documentation
	Within the Tomb of Thutmose IV (KV43)," American Research Center in Egypt's 74 <sup>th</sup>
	Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN, USA.
Apr. 2022	"Wake Up Tut! The Awakening of Osiris Ritual in Tutankhamun's Tomb (KV62),"
	American Research Center in Egypt's 73 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting. Irvine, CA, USA.
Apr. 2021	"Mrs. Andrews' Coffin: from the Valley of the Kings to Boston, MA," American Research
	Center in Egypt's 72 <sup>nd</sup> annual meeting. Virtual Conference.
Apr. 2020	"Raise Me Up and Repel My Weariness! A Study of Thutmose III's Coffin (CG 61014),"
	American Research Center in Egypt's 71 <sup>st</sup> annual meeting. Virtual conference.
Apr. 2019	"The Beautiful One Returns: Nefertiti and the Altered Identities of an Icon," American
	Research Center in Egypt's 70 <sup>th</sup> annual meeting. Alexandria, VA, USA.
Oct. 2018	"The Beautiful One Returns: Remarks on Egyptian (Re)Appropriation of the Nefertiti
	Bust," Alterations- UCLA Art History Graduate Symposium. Los Angeles, CA, USA.
Apr. 2016	"I Lean Upon You: a Contextual Study of Sticks and Staves from Ancient Egypt,"
	American Research Center in Egypt's 67 <sup>th</sup> annual meeting. Atlanta, GA, USA.
Feb. 2016	Guest Lecture "His Father Osiris Gave Him These Two Staves: the Use of Sticks in the
	Egyptian Afterlife," Graduate Annual Research Discussion on Egypt and Nubia (GARDEN)
	III.
May 2015	"The Context of Tutankhamun's Sticks and Staves During the 18 <sup>th</sup> Dynasty: a Preliminary
	Analysis," First International Tutankhamun Grand Egyptian Museum Conference, Cairo,
	Egypt.
Nov. 2014	"Come My Staff, I Lean Upon You: an Iconographic and Contextual Study of Sticks and
	Staves in 18 <sup>th</sup> Dynasty Egypt," Graduate Annual Research Discussion on Egypt and Nubia (GARDEN) II.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2021 (Fall)	La Honda Elementary School Outreach. "Adventures in Egyptology!" Lompoc, CA
2018 (Fall)	826 LA Workshop: Archaeology Day Outreach. Los Angeles, CA.
2015-2021	Liberty Elementary School Outreach. "Adventures in Archaeology!" Santa Maria, CA.

## LANGUAGES

Ancient:	Egyptian (Middle and Late Phases and Hieratic Script)
Modern:	French (reading and some spoken), German (reading, with dictionary), colloquial
	Egyptian Arabic (reading, writing, and spoken)

# **REFERENCES** (Upon Request)

Kathlyn (Kara) Cooney, Professor, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures Department, UCLA Salima Ikram, Professor, Department of Egyptology, the American University in Cairo Denise Doxey, Curator of Ancient Egyptian, Nubian, and Near Eastern Art, MFA Boston Kate Liszka, Director of Wadi el-Hudi Expedition, CSU San Bernardino Anna Stevens, Assistant Director of the Amarna Project