



Stockton PAC Arts Lecture Series: Dr. Stephen Phillips Presents 'King Tut'

Lecture to be Held at Absegami High School Thursday, Oct. 9

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Galloway Township, NJ - Dr. Stephen Phillips, research assistant in the Egyptian Section of the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, will reveal fun facts and secrets about the "Boy King" Tutankhamun in a free lecture on **Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014** at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at Absegami High School.

Tickets are free but must be reserved by calling the Stockton Performing Arts Box Office at 609-652-9000. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 90 minutes before the performance. For group sales, call 609-652-4786.

Tutankhamun, ancient Egypt's famous boy pharaoh, grew up 3,300 years ago in the royal court at Amarna, the ancient city of Akhetaten, whose name meant the "Horizon of the Aten." This extraordinary royal city grew, flourished and vanished in hardly more than a generation's time. This presentation examines the religious, artistic and cultural changes that took place during the reigns of famous pharaohs Akhenaten and his probable son, Tutankhamun, during the "Amarna Period" (circa 1353 to 1336 BCE).

Dr. Phillips received his Ph.D. in physical anthropology and archaeology from the University of Pennsylvania, where he also earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees in those disciplines. Dr. Phillips has participated in a wide range of archaeological excavations over the past 17 years, including excavations at Petra and Tor Faraj, Jordan; at Fontechevade Cave in southwestern France; and at eight excavation seasons in Egypt at Giza and Saqqara - most recently in February 2009.

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He is the Archaeological Site Supervisor and Physical Anthropologist for the ongoing Cairo University-Brown University Expedition in the Western Cemetery at Giza. Dr. Phillips specializes in the analysis of ancient Egyptian human skeletal remains, mummies and mummification techniques, as well as the Old Kingdom archaeology of the Giza plateau.

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The Stockton Performing Arts Center, the Jersey Shore's Center for the Arts, is located on the campus of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, on Jim Leeds Road in Pomona (Galloway Township). Just 12 miles west of Atlantic City, the Center is easily accessible from the Garden State Parkway and the Atlantic City Expressway.

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