



## **FRIENDS OF THE PETRIE MUSEUM CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR COURSE**

**WITH LUCIA GAHLIN**

### ***THE GARDEN IN ANCIENT EGYPT***

*"I wish that each day I may walk unceasingly on the banks of my pool ... that I may refresh myself under the shadow of my sycamore" (TT82).*

A leafy garden with a pool, fruit trees and flowers epitomised the ancient Egyptian idea of paradise. In this course we will explore the relevant archaeology, imagery, and texts to find out all we can about the gardens associated with ancient Egyptian palaces, élite houses, temples and tombs. We will consider what the garden meant to the ancient Egyptians; its significance within their belief system, particularly concerning the Afterlife. Our primary sources for discussion will include detailed scenes on the walls of tombs, fragments of painted plaster from palaces, funerary models, garden tools, and botanical remains. We will consult ancient texts including temple and tomb inscriptions, love songs and healing prescriptions.

#### **Zoom with us this Christmas into the gardens of Ancient Egypt!**



**16, 23, 30 December, and 6 & 13 January. 5 week course  
on *The Garden in Ancient Egypt***

Five 90-minute sessions including questions/discussion 6.30-8, zoom room opens 30 minutes ahead of time to allow chat beforehand.

(©British Museum, EA37983, garden from the tomb of Nebamun)

**On the 23rd December and 30th December the Zoom room remains open so that we can all raise a glass together after the lecture.**

**Lectures are open to Friends of the Petrie Museum only. Fee £40. Never too late to join – tell your friends!**

Contact Jan to register and confirm payment method: [pmf@friendsofpetrie.org.uk](mailto:pmf@friendsofpetrie.org.uk)

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- **by cheque** to 'Friends of the Petrie Museum' posted to the museum.
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