



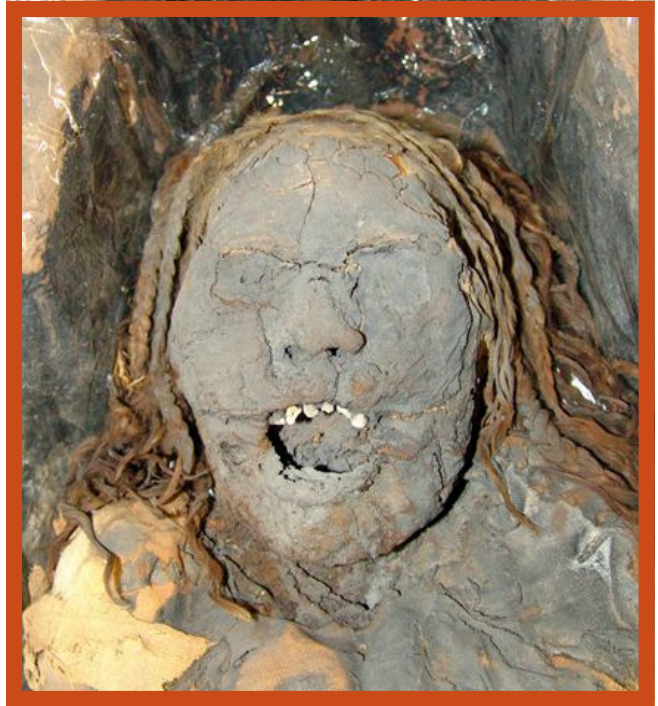
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AN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN MURDER MYSTERY: THE PURSUIT OF QUEEN TEYA, WHO KILLED RAMSES III (1186-1155 B.C.)

In a treasonous conspiracy the women of the harem of Ramses III murdered him. They were led by his secondary Queen, Teya, who sought to put her son, Pentawere, on the throne instead of the rightful heir, Ramses IV. BUT there was a flaw that caused the scheme to fail. The trial records of the conspirators who murdered King Ramses III are well preserved. Pentawere's fate was to commit suicide. This talk addresses the current pursuit of Queen Teya.



Dr. Benson Harer
Thursday, December 3
6:30-8:00 pm
Gowen 201
Free Admission

Professor W. Benson Harer was educated at Princeton University, University of Pennsylvania Medical School, and Residency in OB-GYN at Hospital of the University of PA. Tours to Egypt in 1974 and 1978 sparked a strong interest in Egypt, leading to joining the Theban Mapping Project expedition in 1979. W. Benson Harer has returned with expeditions every year, and has studied Egyptology intensively. He was elected a National Fellow of the Explorer's Club, and is a member of the Egypt Exploration Society and of the Egyptology Committee of the International Council of Museums. He was the first non-academic elected to the Board of Governors of the American Research Center in Egypt and has held that position from 1984 to 2009. Specializing in Ancient Egyptian Medicine, he has lectured and published internationally. He was appointed an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Humanities at California State University San Bernardino in 1993 and in 2001 was further honored with a Doctor of Humane Letters degree-the first awarded by the University in its 35 year existence.