

<b>Course Description</b>	<p>Hieroglyphic writing is synonymous with ancient Egyptian civilisation. The sensational decipherment of the complex script by Jean-François Champollion in 1822 led to a feverish desire to read all inscriptions. Objects which were inscribed were immediately more desirable for collectors.</p> <p>This workshop will explain the development of writing in ancient Egypt and the different scripts used over time, providing examples of what was written in ancient Egypt and what these inscriptions say.</p> <p>There will also be a chance to learn how to read short hieroglyphic inscriptions directly from ancient objects (no previous experience necessary). In this session the hieroglyphic script will be explained, and participants will gain experience in spotting common elements from royal names and popular phrases.</p> <p>The workshop will also discuss some common research interests related to writing in ancient Egypt with a focus on what is of interest and why, so that participants are able to facilitate researcher visits and apply the results to their collections work.</p>
<b>Outcomes</b>	<p>Following this workshop participants should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have an understanding of the different ancient Egyptian scripts, and may be able to identify them, using proper terminology.</li> <li>• Have a basic understanding of how the Egyptian Hieroglyphic system functions.</li> <li>• Have a chance to read some basic inscriptions.</li> <li>• Know where to go for further information, support and guidance material.</li> </ul>
<b>Course Leaders</b>	<p>Dan Potter, Assistant Curator – World Cultures, National Museums Scotland Angela McDonald, Subject Specialist and Lecturer – Archaeology, Classics and Egyptology, University of Glasgow</p>
<b>Advance preparation required</b>	<p>Feel free to bring images of displays, storage or objects to discuss.</p>
<b>Cost</b>	<p>Free of charge</p>
<b>No of participants</b>	<p>12</p>
<b>Venue</b>	<p>The Hunterian Collections Study Centre, Kelvin Hall, 1445 Argyle Street, Glasgow, G3 8AW</p>

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