

ARCE 2021 Annual Meeting Distinguished Service Award Honorees



James. P. Allen

James P. Allen received his PhD from the University of Chicago. Dr. Allen is the Charles Edwin Wilbour Professor of Egyptology at Brown University.

Before joining Brown in 2007, Dr. Allen was an epigrapher with the University of Chicago's Epigraphic Survey, Cairo Director of the American Research Center in Egypt, and curator of Egyptian art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. From 2008 to 2015, he was President of the International Association of Egyptologists.

Dr. Allen's research interests include ancient Egyptian grammar and literature, religion, and history. He has written extensively on these subjects, including *Genesis in Egypt: the Philosophy of Ancient Egyptian Creation Accounts* (Yale, 1988), *Middle Egyptian: an Introduction to the Language and Culture of Hieroglyphs* (Cambridge, 2000; 2010, 2014, 2021), *The Heqanakht Papyri* (MMA, 2002), *The Ancient Egyptian Pyramid Texts* (Society of Biblical Literature, 2005), *The Debate between a Man and His Soul* (Brill, 2011), *The Ancient Egyptian Language, an Historical Study* (Cambridge, 2013), *Middle Egyptian Literature: Eight Literary Works* (2014), and *The Grammar of the Pyramid Texts, Vol. I: Unis* (Eisenbrauns, 2017). His most recent work has been on *Ancient Egyptian Phonology* (Cambridge, 2020) and *Coptic* (Eisenbrauns, 2020).



Marjorie Fisher

Marjorie Fisher is Adjunct Assistant Professor of Egyptology in the Department of Middle East Studies at the University of Michigan.

She is the author of the two-volume publication *The Sons of Ramesses II* (Harrassowitz Press) and co-editor of *Ancient Nubia: African Kingdoms on the Nile* (AUC Press; Prose Award for Archaeology and Anthropology 2012). She has published numerous articles on ancient Egyptian New Kingdom art and architecture, royal children and the political history of the Ramesside Period.

Dr. Fisher is Associate Director for Epigraphy for the University of Michigan Abydos Middle Cemetery Project and has also participated in archaeological excavations in the Valley of the Kings with Dr. Zahi Hawass and Dr. Kent Weeks and the Theban Mapping Project and in epigraphic work at Luxor Temple with the Epigraphic Survey of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago (based at Chicago House, Luxor). Her book projects relate to her ongoing research in the Valley of the Queens.

She is a member of the National Council on the Humanities, the Advisory Board to the National Endowment for the Humanities, the James Madison Council of the Library of Congress, the Metropolitan Museum of Art Egyptian Department's Advisory Council, and the University of Michigan President's Advisory Group. She is Chair of the Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation; Co-Chair and Co-Founder of the Friends of Near Eastern Studies at the University of Michigan; and Life Advisory Council Member of the Oriental Institute, University of Chicago. Previous board involvements include Board of Trustees, Johns Hopkins University; Board of Governors, American Research Center in Egypt; and Board of Directors at the Antinopolis Foundation and the Detroit Institute of Art.

Dr. Fisher holds an MA in Egyptology from Johns Hopkins University and a PhD in Egyptology from the University of Michigan.



Terry Rakolta

Terry Rakolta is a long-time supporter of civic and community organizations in the United States and overseas.

Currently, Terry serves on the Advisory Board for the United States Humane Society. She previously served on the Board of Governors for the American Research Center in Egypt (ARCE), a private, nonprofit organization with a mission to support research on all aspects of Egyptian history and culture where she participated on several digs in Egypt with archaeological teams from the University of Michigan. Additional board experience includes the Children's Hospital of Michigan and the American Folk Art Museum in New York, as well as founder and board member of the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCAD) in Detroit.

Terry was the founder and chairwoman of Americans for Responsible TV, a national activist organization against violence on television. Recognized as an anti-obscenity activist, she is best known for leading a boycott against the Fox Broadcasting Company sitcom *Married...with Children* in 1989.

She has participated in the work of several health, educational and cultural organizations.

Terry is married to John Rakolta, Jr., chairman of Walbridge, a privately held construction company headquartered in Detroit, Mich., and former US Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates. The Rakoltas have three daughters, Eileen, Lauren and Paige, and a son, John Rakolta III.



Emily Teeter

Emily Teeter received her Ph.D. in Egyptology from the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago.

Her areas of specialization are the religion, social history, and the material culture of ancient Egypt. She recently retired after a long career in the Oriental Institute Museum, but she continues to do research and consulting.

Emily has published many popular and scholarly articles and books including *Baked Clay Figurines and Votive Beds from Medinet Habu*; *The Presentation of Maat: Ritual and Legitimacy in Ancient Egypt*; *Religion and Ritual in Ancient Egypt*, and *Egypt and the Egyptians* (that has appeared in Arabic and Turkish editions).

She has appeared on many television programs. Teeter is a past President of the American Research Center in Egypt, she is the chief editor of JARCE, and she is very active in the Chicago ARCE Chapter.