Field Archaeology Series on Thursday presents

The Heavenly Archer: Graeco-Iranian Iconography in Hellenistic Bactria

Jeffrey D. Lerner, Wake Forest University, North Carolina

Thursday, April 23, 2015
Reception 5:30 pm, Lecture 6:00 pm
Department of Classical Studies
2175 Angell Hall, 435 South State Street

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Description:
The only evidence of the worship of Apollo-Mithra east of Mesopotamia are a few scattered sources. No statue of the deity, let alone a temple dedicated to him, has ever been identified. Professor Lerner will propose that the remains of the cult statue identified as Zeus found in the “Temple with Indented Niches” at the site of Ai Khanoum (northeastern Afghanistan) is in actuality the remains of a hitherto unrecognized cultic statue of Apollo-Mithra replete with temple and sanctuary.