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Episode #16: Human Sacrifice in Early Dynastic Egypt with Dr. Rose Campbell
(Part 1)

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In this episode Kara and Jordan are joined by their first guest, UCLA's own Dr. Rose Campbell, who talks about how she became a bioarchaeologist and her work on human sacrifice in early dynastic Egypt. What evidence do we have for this practice? How are we to understand violence in the past?

- **Dr. Roselyn A. Campbell** is a bioarchaeologist, anthropological archaeologist, and Egyptologist. Her current research is concerned with evidence for violence and trauma in human remains, and understanding how human societies define, use, and sanction violence as a tool of power. She also researches the history and evolution of cancer in ancient human remains. She earned a Ph.D. in Archaeology from the Cotsen Institute of Archaeology at the University of California, Los Angeles, and a B.A. and an M.A. in anthropological archaeology and forensic anthropology at the University of Montana. Dr. Campbell has conducted archaeological fieldwork in Egypt, Peru, Ethiopia, Spain, and the western United States. She is currently the Head Osteologist for the Polish-Egyptian Mission at the Temple of Hatshepsut at Deir el-Bahari, and for the North Asasif Project.
 - Rose's personal website: <https://www.roselynacampbell.com/>
 - The website for PRO, the non-profit Rose co-founded that studies cancer in antiquity: <https://www.cancerantiquity.org/>
 - For more on human sacrifice in ancient Egypt, see Rose's Academia.edu page: <https://getty.academia.edu/RoselynCampbell/> --especially her dissertation, [Kill Thy Neighbor: Violence, Power, and Human Sacrifice in Ancient Egypt](#)
 - The Polish projects Rose works on as Head Osteologist: <https://pcma.uw.edu.pl/en/2019/04/11/deir-el-bahari-north-asasif/>, <http://www.templeofhatshepsut.uw.edu.pl/en/>
- ["Human remains from Tomb MMA 514 in North Asasif: preliminary assessment"](#) (Campbell 2018)
- Rose's article on the female bodies found at Edfu: ["Communities in Life and Death at Tell Edfu, Egypt"](#)
- ["Tooth Solves Hatshepsut Mummy Mystery"](#) *The Guardian* June 27 2007
- More on the [royal burial at Ur](#)
- General info on [retainer sacrifice](#) in ancient Egypt
- [Khasekhemwy](#)

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