The AAIA, The Australian Archaeological Mission to Paphos in Cyprus and the High Commission of the Republic of Cyprus present a Public Lecture by:

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Dr Georgiou received his PhD in 2007 from the University of Cyprus, with a thesis on The Topography of Human Settlement in Cyprus during the Early and Middle Bronze Age. He has directed excavations at sites of all periods in Cyprus but his research interests are focused on the Cypriot Bronze Age and the Cypriot city-kingdoms. His duties in the Department of Antiquities include conservation of monuments, site interpretation and archaeological survey as well as the management of exhibitions of Cypriot antiquities both in Cypriot museums and abroad. He recently published a book on an Early Bronze Age cemetery at the Cypriot village of Psematismenos and has written numerous papers on his excavations at Nicosia, Kition and elsewhere.

New evidence for the Phoenicians from excavations at the ancient Cypriot city of Kition

The remains of ancient Kition lie beneath the modern city of Larnaka, on the south coast of Cyprus. Kition, one of the most important city-kingdoms on the island during the first millennium B.C., owed much of its economic and political power to its cosmopolitan port. Although a settlement of indigenous origin founded during the Bronze Age, Kition was home to a strong Phoenician immigrant community from the 9th century B.C. The Phoenicians of Kition developed into a flourishing community, which managed to gain political control of the city-kingdom. Excavations conducted by the Cyprus Department of Antiquities at Kition during the last decade shed important new light on the history of its Phoenician community in the Classical period (5th-4th centuries B.C.)

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