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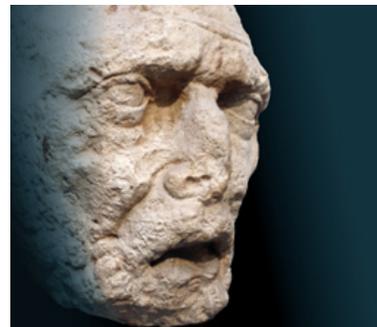
**Thursday 28 April 2016**

**Lecture: Treasures from the Sicilian Seas:  
Storms, War and Shipwrecks**  
*by Dr Paul Roberts*

6:30 for 7pm - 2nd Floor 55 Exhibition Road SW7 2PN

Treasures from the Sicilian Seas tells the extraordinary story of the island at the crossroads of the Mediterranean through the discoveries made by underwater archaeologists.

For 2500 years, Sicily was the place where great ancient civilizations met and fought. Its rich and varied island culture has been marked by the Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, Arabs and Normans. This major summer exhibition explores the roots of this multi-cultural heritage through objects rescued from the bottom of the sea – from chance finds to excavated shipwrecks, from the pioneering Phoenician traders to the Emperors of Byzantium.



Paul Roberts, keeper of all antiquities at the Ashmolean Museum will give us a lecture on the exhibition as described above and which will open on 21 June 2016. He will invite a group of us to view the exhibition early in July.

**Cost of lecture:** £15 members and friends, £20 others to include a glass of wine.

We will be inviting Paul to have dinner after the lecture and if you would like to join please let us know at time of booking.

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