



**“ More Valuable Than Gold: Publishing Discoveries in Egyptology”**

**Dr. David Ian Lightbody, Scribe Magazine & Univ. of Vermont**

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David Lightbody is a Scottish-educated archaeologist and engineer specializing in the monumental architecture of the East Mediterranean region. He has published several academic papers and books over the last decade and has increasingly turned to helping other researchers write, edit, and share their own valuable research. He has also carried out archaeological studies in Cyprus, Greece, and Turkey. David is currently Managing Editor of ARCE's Scribe magazine and now works as a project engineer for a natural stone architecture firm in Vermont, USA, on the construction and restoration of America's own monumental architecture.

In this presentation, Dr. David Ian Lightbody will examine how archaeological discussions shared through Open Access publishing have accelerated research into ancient Egyptian monuments in recent years.

Writing has been an effective method of communicating information and knowledge since the ancient Egyptian scribes first put quills to papyrus paper. Written texts still form the backbone of academic research and peer reviewed journal articles can be shared around the planet in seconds. Outside of the traditional profit-making print industry and the sometimes-exclusive halls of academia, Open Access publication is facilitating in-depth and detailed study in a way that was never possible before. New publishing models and platforms have evolved to support this developing environment and the results have already produced spectacular advances in our knowledge and understanding of the ancient past.

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