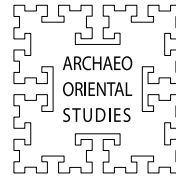




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The non-verbal communication of costumes of authority
Abstrakt wykładu

Costumes of worldly and religious leaders have multiple layers of meaning. Firstly, there is the aspect of 'dress to impress', often by making the person look larger than others. Secondly, there are ways of 'reading' the costume and its details. For the outsider it will be clear that he/she is dealing with a king, queen or bishop, but the insiders will be able to distinguish more details, hidden in attributes and decorations. How far are we, as researchers, able to go into this non-verbal language of costumes of authority? A case study from Nubia as a foretaste of a new research project.