

Godin Tepe II: Manor or Meeting House?

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The Subject: Godin Tepe is an archaeological site situated in the Kangavar Valley of western Iran. The site was excavated from 1965 to 1973 by a Canadian expedition headed by T. Cuyler Young Jr. and sponsored by the Royal Ontario Museum (Toronto, Canada). Godin was occupied for over 4,000 years, but it is the latest period of occupation, Godin II, that will be discussed in this talk. Godin II was a massive building constructed in the 8th-7th centuries BCE when the Medes occupied this region. It is one of the few sites that can give us insights into this enigmatic community.



The Lecturer: Dr Gopnik received a BA in Anthropology from McGill University in Montreal, Canada, and her MA/PhD in Near Eastern Studies from the University of Toronto. Her doctoral research focused on Godin Tepe. She was Senior Lecturer/Principal Scientist at Emory University, Atlanta, and this year was appointed director of the Centre for Ancient Cultures at Monash University. She excavates at Oğlanqala in Naxçivan, Azerbaijan and Pasargadae Iran.

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