



Decorated Surfaces on Ancient Egyptian Objects

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This important volume, proceedings of a conference held in the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge on 6-9 September 2007, focuses on ancient Egyptian decorated surfaces, from polychrome wood to coloured basketry and from patinated metal to painted textiles. Beautifully illustrated in full colour throughout, this book brings together experts from around the world to explore all aspects of investigation and treatment, as well as broader issues of preservation, storage and display. A comprehensive review of past and current treatments for organic objects is followed by case studies, including innovative solutions to conservation problems, the discovery of an unusual lead cladding on a royal sculpture and the revealing forensic study of a red-shroud mummy. Wide-ranging, authoritative and accessible, this book is essential reading for anyone concerned with the study and care of ancient Egyptian objects.