Herrick’s Art Law Group proudly supports SAFE and congratulates Dr. Monica Hanna, the 2014 SAFE Beacon Award Winner.
SAFE/Saving Antiquities for Everyone, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving cultural heritage worldwide. We raise public awareness about the irreversible damage that results from looting, smuggling and trading illicit antiquities. We promote respect for the laws and treaties that enable nations to protect their cultural property and preserve humanity’s most precious non-renewable resource: the intact evidence of our undiscovered past.

By creating educational programs and media campaigns in partnership with academia and the communications, legal and law enforcement communities, SAFE encourages ethical behavior to stop the trade in illicit antiquities from destroying the history that belongs to us all.

SAFE envisions a world in which looting and destruction of cultural heritage sites, and the marketing and collecting of undocumented artifacts from such sites will be unthinkable.
The SAFE BEACON AWARD, founded in 2006, recognizes outstanding achievement in raising public awareness about our endangered cultural heritage and the devastating consequences of the illicit antiquities trade, which fuels the looting of ancient sites and destroys our ultimate non-renewable resource: the intact evidence of our undiscovered past.

This evening, SAFE presents the Beacon Award to an outstanding archaeologist and social media advocate whose work has raised public awareness about the illicit antiquities trade and the fight to protect cultural heritage.

PROGRAM

The Frederick P. Rose Auditorium • April 10, 2014 • New York, New York

6:30  Welcoming Remarks
Lucille A. Roussin, Ph.D., J.D.

6:35  Introducing the Speaker
Sameh Iskander, Ph.D.
President, The American Research Center in Egypt

6:40  Beacon Award Lecture
Dr. Monica Hanna: “Saving Ancient Egypt, One Tweet at a Time: How Social Media is Saving One of the World’s Oldest Civilizations”

7:45  Award Presentation, Cindy Ho

8:15  Seated Dinner, The Apiary

Thank you for celebrating with us,

2014 SAFE BEACON AWARD Hosting Committee

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The Cooper Union  DePaul University College of Law
Herrick, Feinstein LLP  Sameh Iskander
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Dr. Monica Hanna brings personal commitment and fearless professionalism to documenting and publicizing the looting of Egypt’s cultural heritage. Dr. Hanna’s eyewitness accounts of the ongoing destruction of Egypt’s ancient sites and museums since the 2011 Arab Spring uprising, combined with her archaeological expertise, have informed and inspired tens of thousands around the world, as evidenced by the rising number of supporters and followers via social media. Showing remarkable resilience in the face of many opponents, she has already, at the age of 30, contributed greatly to safeguarding Egypt’s cultural heritage and alerting the world to its current plight.

A native of Heliopolis, Egypt, Dr. Hanna completed her undergraduate degree in Egyptology and Archaeological Chemistry at the American University in Cairo and later earned her doctorate in Archaeology at the University of Pisa in Italy. In her dissertation, she analyzed the preservation of mural paintings in the Theban Necropolis using 3D scanning techniques. Dr. Hanna’s detailed knowledge of Egyptian archaeology and experience on a variety of projects has contributed to her effectiveness in strengthening protection for sites and aiding in artifact recovery in her native country.

While pursuing her academic degrees, in 2007 Dr. Hanna served as a preservation expert for the University of Pisa Archaeological Mission, Theban Tomb 14, Luxor West Bank, mapping the condition of important tomb paintings and conducting archaeometric and other analyses of paintings and objects. She continued with the Theban Tomb 14 mission in 2008 as an Egyptologist, updating preservation status information, conducting experimental archaeology research, and coordinating various aspects of the project. From 2005 through 2010, Dr. Hanna also served as Scientific Coordinator for CULTNAT (Center for Documentation of Cultural and Natural Heritage of Egypt). In this capacity she managed several projects, including the Documentation of the Cultural Heritage of South Sinai: The Case Study of Serabit el-Khadim. She also served as a researcher and editor for the Memphite Necropolis portfolio for UNESCO World Heritage listing, and coordinated educational visits and research for the 2006 Asia World Expo and the Archaeological Map of Egypt project.
Monica Hanna (continued)

In 2010 Dr. Hanna worked with the South Sinai Regional Development Program in El-Tor, Egypt, as Culture Communications and Visibility Expert; and, after completion of her doctoral degree, she held a post-doctoral fellowship in the Department of Egyptology and North African Studies at Humboldt University, Berlin from July 2011 until November 2012. Her research focused on investigating the relationship between the inhabitants of modern al-Qurna and local archaeological sites of Thebes, Egypt. The project also involved devising a community outreach program and feasibility study for a local heritage museum. This work is the subject of a forthcoming monograph with co-authors G. Tully and C. Naser, Contemporary communities and archaeology: Investigating the relationship between the inhabitants of modern al-Qurna and local archaeological sites (Thebes, Egypt), to be published in the TOPOI monograph series.

It was during this time that Dr. Hanna decided to return to Egypt to document the looting situation, which has become increasingly acute since the 2011 Arab Spring uprising. Her keen interest in technology and science, combined with a community-based approach toward the conservation, preservation, and management of archaeological sites, have allowed Dr. Hanna to harness online technology to raise awareness about the plight of Egypt’s endangered cultural property. This work has expedited the recovery of stolen objects, effectively reducing the supply side of the illicit antiquities trade. Using social media to great effect, Dr. Hanna created and maintains the Facebook page Egypt’s Heritage Task Force, and has informed and mobilized an army of supporters with four social media campaigns: #Save_Dahshur, #Save_Matariya, #Save_Antinoupolis, and #Save_AbuSir el-Maleq. These campaigns not only increased public awareness; in the case of Antinoupolis, Dr. Hanna’s efforts resulted in a presidential decree approving an increase in guards to protect the site.

No stranger to the press, Dr. Hanna has been interviewed in many international publications, has been featured in the 2013 documentary series Unreported World broadcast by Channel 4 in London, and was recently invited as a panelist at UNESCO’s screening and discussion of The Monuments Men in Paris. Dr. Hanna continues to work with the media and a group of volunteers to publicize the plight of endangered archaeological sites in Egypt, including Dahshur, Abu Sir el-Maleq, and Ancient Heliopolis. She also consults with government officials and recently lobbied for the introduction of new articles in the Constitution specifically created to protect cultural heritage. In addition, she was voted one of the seven “People of the Year” by Egypt Today magazine and one of the “Top Arab Women in 2013” by AsiaN.

Dr. Hanna’s perseverance, archaeological knowledge, and emotional investment in the protection of Egypt’s heritage position her as an effective activist and an expert witness in the fight against looting and the illicit antiquities trade. SAFE is pleased to present the 2014 Beacon Award to Dr. Monica Hanna.
The Antiquities Coalition unites professionals from diverse backgrounds to join together in the fight against cultural racketeering. Our mission is to safeguard global heritage while inspiring people to appreciate our shared culture and empower local communities to steward and protect it.

To confront cultural racketeering in Egypt, the International Coalition to Protect Egyptian Antiquities (ICPEA) – an initiative of the Antiquities Coalition – was launched. Invited by the Egyptian government to discuss ways to best provide support, the Antiquities Coalition and the Egyptian Ministry of Antiquities signed the first-ever US-Egyptian cultural heritage public private partnership, a three-part effort focused on training, education, and social entrepreneurship.

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Heritage and Healthy Societies

Exploring the links among cultural heritage, environment, and resilience
May 14-16, 2014, University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA

Whether on an individual or a societal scale, heritage and well-being are often seen as disparate concerns. When heritage is viewed as related to community well-being, its value is often reduced to economic development and tourism, rather than something that might be integral to wellness on a larger scale. But how can the collective remaking of the past in the present play a role in imagining a more sustainable and healthy future?

The goal of this conference is to explore the application of the past to contemporary and future social challenges, specifically sustainability and wellbeing. Given the current focus on climate change, rising sea levels, and the displacement of peoples, the wellness of societies is a critical issue. But until now, heritage has had little to say about the subject. The conference will explore the relationship between heritage and three interrelated aspects of sustainability and wellbeing:

- Heritage and environment:
- Heritage and resilience
- Heritage and wellness

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The Antiquities Coalition and the Woodrow Wilson Center will host Monica Hanna to speak at the Wilson Center on April 14 at 4pm

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The Egyptology Unit of the American University in Cairo congratulates their illustrious alumna, Dr. Monica Hanna, on her award and fine work at protecting Egypt’s antiquities.

Congratulations and thank you for your important work.
Elizabeth Simpson

Congratulations to Monica Hanna for the great work she has done and will do!
Robert K. Wittman, author of Priceless: How I Went Undercover to Rescue the World’s Stolen Treasures

Congratulations to SAFE Beacon Award Winner from:
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And to Monica, for inspiring us all.

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