



Early Old Kingdom beer jars on a floor of Structure 4, s/9 North, Kom Ombo (© OeAW-OeAI/ Uroš Matić and Niki Gail)

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POTTERY AND PEOPLE IN OLD KINGDOM KOM OMBO

AN INSIGHT INTO THE RECENT WORK OF THE AUSTRIAN-EGYPTIAN MISSION

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Since 2017, the joint work of the Austrian-Egyptian mission at Kom Ombo has significantly contributed to a better understanding of the development of the ancient town and its earliest history. This lecture will focus on pottery and people of Kom Ombo and present the results of the recent work on this material. Utilizing the chaîne opératoire approach allows us to follow the production, use, and refuse of pottery in Kom Ombo, step by step. Documentation of pre-firing fingerprints on the interior and exterior walls of the vessels can prove to be of great importance for identification of social groups involved in ceramic production. Analysis of imports and use of non-Egyptian pottery, such as Nubian ware, is informative on cultural contacts and potentially of cooking preferences of the town's inhabitants. Furthermore, a study of fragmentation and abrasion of refused pottery is useful for better understanding of the site formation processes in Kom Ombo.

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