List of archaeologists

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A list of eminent archaeologists.

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• Jorge Alarcao Portuguese, Portugal

• William F. Albright (1891-1971) U.S.A., Orientalist

• Susan E. Alcock (born 19??) Roman provinces

• Leslie Alcock (1925-2006), English, Dark Age Britain

• Jim Allen (born 19??) Australian, Oceania

• Sedat Alp (1913-2006), Turkish, Hittitologist

• David G. Anderson (1949) Eastern North America

• Manolis Andronicos (1919-1992) Greek, Greece

• Remzi Oğuz Arık, Turkish, Early Bronze Age Anatolia

• Mikhail Artamonov (1898-1972) Russian/Soviet, Khazarist

• Mick Aston (born 1946) English, popularizer

• Richard Atkinson (1920-94) English, England

• Frédérique Audoin-Rouzeau French

• Anthony Aveni, archaeoastronomy

• Massoud Azarnoush, Sassanid archaeology (1946-2008)

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• Churchill Babington (1821-1889) English

• Paul Bahn (born 19?? ) English

• Geoff Bailey (born 19?? ) English

• Adolph Francis Alphonse Bandelier (1840-1914) American

• Ranuccio Bianchi Bandinelli (1900-1975) Italian, Estruscans & art

• Philip Barker (1920 – 2001) British

• Ofer Bar-Yosef (born 1937) Israeli

• Aileen G. Baron (born 1925) American

• Thomas Bateman (1821-1861) English

• Giovanni Battista Belzoni (1778–1823) Italian

• Mark Beech (b. 1963) English,

• Lee Berger (b. 1965) American

• Gerhard Bersu (1889 – 1964) German

• Leopoldo Batres

• Taha Baqir Iraqi

• Barbara Bender

• Charles Ernest Beule (1826 – 1874) French, Greece

• Martin Biddle

• Peter Biehl

• Fereidoun Biglari (born 1970) Iranian Kurdish, Paleolithic

• Lewis Binford (born 1930) American, theory

• Orhan Bingöl, Turkish, Anatolia

• Hiram Bingham, (1875-1956) American, discovered Machu Picchu

• Flavio Biondo(1392 – 1463) Italian, Rome

• Glenn Albert Black (1900 - 1964) American, US Mid-West

• Carl Blegen (1887-1971) American, Troy

• Frederick Jones Bliss (1857 - 1939) American, Palestine

• Harriet Boyd-Howes

• Giacomo Boni (1859 - 1925) Italian, Roman architecture

• François Bordes(1919 - 1981) French

• Jacques Boucher de Crèvecœur de Perthes (1788 - 1868) French, France

• Jan Bouzek

• Richard Bradley

• R. Joe Brandon

• Charles Etienne Brasseur de Bourbourg (1814 - 1874) French, Meso-America

• James Henry Breasted(1865 - 1935) American, Egypt

• Eric Breuer (b. 1968) Swiss, Roman/Medieval chronology

• Jacques Breuer( ) Belgian, Roman Belgium

• Patrick M.M.A. Bringmans (b. 1970) Belgian, Palaeolithic Archaeology & Paleoanthropology

• Aisling Bronach (b. 19??) American, Irish archaeology

• Don Brothwell (b. ????) British, paleopathology

• Elizabeth Brumfiel (b. ????) American, Mesoamerican archaeology

• Bernard Bruyère (1879 - 1971) French, Egypt

• Aubrey Burl (b. 19??) British?, British megaltihic monuments

• Karl Butzer (b. 1934) American, environmental archaeology

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• Frank Calvert (1828 – 1908), English, Troy

• Catherine M. Cameron American Southwest

• Luigi Canina (1795 – 1856) Italian

• Bob Carr ( ) American, Florida historic Indians

• Martin Carver (b. 19??) British, Early Middle Ages in Northern Europe - Sutton Hoo

• Howard Carter (1874– 1939) English, Egypt

• Joanna Casey (b. 19??) , Africa and ethnoarchaeology

• Alfonso Caso (1896 - 1970) Mexican, Mexico

• Dilip Chakrabarti

• Jean-François Champollion (1790 – 1832) French, Egypt

• Kwang-chih Chang (1931 - 2001), Chinese archaeologist and prehistorian

• John F. Cherry Aegean prehistory

• Vere Gordon Childe (1892 - 1957) Australian, Europe / neolithic

• Choi Mong-lyong (b. 1946), Korean archaeologist

• Leopoldo Cicognara (1767 – 1834) Italian, Italy

• Muazzez İlmiye Çığ (born 1914), Turkish, Sumerologist

• Bob Clarke (Historian) English, Prehistoric and Modern Era

• David Clarke (1937 – 1976) English, theory

• John Desmond Clark (1916 - 2002) English, Africanist

• Grahame Clark (1907 - 1995) British, Mesolith and economy

• Albert Tobias Clay (born 1866), American Lutheran minister and Assyriologist

• Eric H. Cline Ancient Near East, Aegean prehistory

• Fay-Cooper Cole (1881-1961) American; U.S. Mid-West

• John M. Coles (born 1930), Wetland archaeology, Bronze Age archaeology, experimental archaeology

• John Collis ( - ) English, Iron Age Europe

• Sir Richard Colt Hoare (1758 - 1838) English, England

• Margaret Conkey (b. 19??) , France / paleothic

• Graham Connah (b. 19??) Australian?, historic Africa and Australia

• Gudrun Corvinus (1931 - 2006?) German, India/Nepal/Africa

• George Cowgill American; Mesoamerica, Teotihuacan

• O.G.S. Crawford (1886 - 1957) English, aerial archaeology

• Roger Cribb (1948 - 2007) Australian; Turkish Kurds & Aust. Aborigines.

• Joseph George Cumming (1812 – 1868) English; Isle of Man

• Barry Cunliffe (born 1939)

• Ben Cunnington

• Maud Cunnington

• William Cunnington

• James Curle

• Ernst Curtius

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• George F. Dales, United States (1927—1992)

• Ahmad Hasan Dani, Pakistan (1920—2009)); South Asian Archaeology

• Glyn Daniel

• Ken Dark

• Théodore Davies

• William Boyd Dawkins

• Janette Deacon

• Hilary Deacon

• James Deetz (1930-2000) American; Historical Archaeology

• James P. Delgado

• Richard Dent, Chesapeake, Southwest

• Jules Desnoyers

• Rúaidhri De Valera

• Adolphe Napoleon Didron

• Tom D. Dillehay, American-Chilean ethnoarchaeologist, Distinguished Professor at Vanderbilt University

• Ali Dinçol, Turkish, Hittitologist

• Belkıs Dinçol, Turkish, Hittitologist

• Marcia-Anne Dobres

• Wilhelm Dörpfeld

• Hans Dragendorff

• Robert Dunnell

• Kelly Dixon

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• Kutlu Emre, Turkish, Hittitologist

• Kenan Erim (1929-1990), Turkish, Hellenistic Anatolia

• Sir Arthur Evans

• Sir John Evans

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• Georg Fabricius

• Brian M. Fagan

• Rev. Brian Faussett

• Patrick Fazioli

• Carlo Fea

• Gary M. Feinman American; Mesoamerica, Oaxaca

• Sir Charles Fellows

• Karl Ludwig Fernow

• J. Walter Fewkes

• Israel Finkelstein

• William D. Finlayson

• George R Fischer

• Peter M. Fischer Eastern Mediterranean, Near East

• Kent Flannery

• James A. Ford (1911-1968) Southeastern United States

• Henry Chandlee Forman

• Alfred Foucher

• Cyril Fox

• William Flinders Petrie

• David Frankell

• Gayle J. Fritz

• Paulo P. Funari

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• Stane Gabrovec

• Antoine Galland

• Clive Gamble

• Thomas Gann - (1867-1938) Irish; Mesoamerica, Maya

• Percy Gardner

• Dorothy Garrod

• William Gell

• Friedrich William Eduard Gerhard

• Joan Gero Andean, feminist

• Diane Gifford-Gonzalez

• John Wesley Gilbert - (1864-1923) first African American archaeologist, Greece, Classical

• Marija Gimbutas

• Pere Bosch-Gimpera

• Einar Gjerstad

• John Mann Goggin

• Albert Goodyear

• Avraham Gopher

• Yuval Goren

• Ian Graham

• Boris Grakov (1899 - 1970) Soviet/Russian, Scythians and Sarmatians

• J. Patrick Greene

• Canon William Greenwell

• Alan Greaves

• James Bennett Griffin

• W. F. Grimes

• Raimondo Guarini

• Gustaf VI Adolf of Sweden

• Elham Ghasidian (born 1979) Iranian Paleolithic

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• Robert Hall

• Osman Hamdi Bey (1842-1911), Ottoman Turkish, Syria and Lebanon

• Richard D. Hansen

• Anthony Harding

• Phil Harding

• J.C. "Pinky" Harrington

• Michael G. Hasel

• Emil Haury, 2 May 1904-5 December 1992, Southwestern United States

• Zahi Hawass, Egypt

• Christopher Hawkes

• Thor Heyerdahl

• Edgar Lee Hewett

• Christian Gottlob Heyne

• Eric Higgs

• Catherine Hills

• Peter Hinton

• Ian Hodder (born 1948) English; theory

• Frederick Webb Hodge

• Simon Holdaway

• Vance T. Holliday Paleoindian and Great Plains geoarchaeology and archaeology

• Marcel Homet

• John Horsley

• Ferenc Horváth

• Jean-Louis Huot

• Saman Heydari (born 1970) Iranian Geoarchaeologist (Prehistory)

• Bahar Hamzeh Pour 1975 Iranian archeologist

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• Enver Imamović, Bosnian archaeologist

• Glynn Isaac

• Cynthia Irwin-Williams, (1936-1990) Southwestern archaeology

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• Otto Jahn

• Jacques Jaubert, French,Paleolithic archaeologist

• Thomas Jefferson, US President

• Llewellyn Jewitt

• Donald Johanson

• Gregory Johnson

• Martin Jones

• Rhys Maengwyn Jones (1941-2001) Welsh/Australian, Tasmania

• Rosemary Joyce Mayan, Feminist

[edit] K

• Johan Kamminga

• Benjamin Kamphaus

• Şevket Aziz Kansu, Turkish, Early Bronze Age Anatolia

• Dustin Keeler

• Kathleen Kenyon

• Alfred V. Kidder

• T. R. Kidder geoarchaeology and archaeology of Southeastern United States, specifically the Mississippi Alluvial Valley. (son of A. V. Kidder)

• Kim Won-yong

• Richard Klein

• Robert Koldewey

• Gustaf Kossinna

• Hamit Zübeyir Koşay, Turkish, Early Bronze Age Anatolia

• Kristian Kristiansen

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• C. C. Lamberg-Karlovsky

• Luigi Lanzi

• Peter Lape

• Pierre Henri Larcher

• Donald Lathrap

• Jean-Philippe Lauer

• Bo Lawergren, music archaeologist

• T. E. Lawrence

• Sir Austen Henry Layard

• Louis Leakey, 1903-1972, British archaeologist and paleoanthropologist.

• Mary Leakey, 1913-1996, British archaeologist and paleoanthropologist.

• Richard Leakey, 1944- , Kenyan paleoanthropologist

• Mark Leone, theory, historical archaeology

• Charles Lenormant

• François Lenormant

• André Leroi-Gourhan

• Jean Antoine Letronne

• Gerson Levi-Lazzaris, 1979-, Brazilian ethnoarchaeologist.

• Carenza Lewis

• R. Barry Lewis, archaeology of early modern South India, Cahokia, Mississippian culture

• David Lewis-Williams, (b. 1934) cognitive archaeologist specialising in Upper-Palaeolithic and Bushmen rock art.

• William D. Lipe

• Edward Lhuyd

• Mary Aiken Littauer

• Georg Loeschcke

• Victor Loret

• Stephen Loring 1950 -

• William A. Longacre

• Sir John Lubbock

• Rev. W. C. Lukis

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• Kathleen Martinez

• Robert Alexander Stewart Macalister

• Father John MacEnery

• Richard MacNeish, disovered origins of maize.

• Aren Maeir, Ancient Levant, Israel, Philistines

• Yousef Majidzadeh, Iranian, Jiroft culture

• JP Mallory

• Sir Max Mallowan

• John Manley

• Meral Manyas, Turkish, Anatolia

• Joyce Marcus

• Auguste-Édouard Mariette

• Spyridon Marinatos

• John Hubert Marshall

• Marjan Mashkour, (zooarchaeologist), Iranian

• Ronald J. Mason

• Gaston Maspero

• Paul Massiera, (1899 - 1976) French archaeologist

• Therkel Mathiassen, (1892 - 1967), Danish, Arctic region

• Alfred P. Maudslay

• Amihai Mazar

• Benjamin Mazar

• Eilat Mazar

• August Mau

• Charles McBurney

• Betty Meggers

• Randall McGuire

• W. C. McKern (1892 - 1988) American, Americanist/theorist

• Paul Mellars

• Michael Mercati

• Prosper Mérimée

• Jerald T. Milanich

• Sarunas Milisauskas

• Naomi Miller Near East archaeobotanist

• René Millon

• Paul Minnis

• Sir Ellis Minns

• Oscar Montelius

• Pierre Montet

• Andrew M.T. Moore

• Clarence Bloomfield Moore

• Elizabeth A. Moore, American, Prehistoric Zooarchaeology, Middle Atlantic

• Warren K. Moorehead (1866-1939) American

• Sylvanus G. Morley (1883-1948) American; Mesoamerica, especially Maya

• John Robert Mortimer

• Peder Mortensen, Danish, Prehistoric archaeology

• Sabatino Moscati Italian archaeologist and linguist known for his work on the Phoenicians

• Keith Muckelroy

• John Mulvaney

• Tim Murray

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• Katie Neilson

• Ezzat Ol, llah Negahban

• Sarah Milledge Nelson

• Evzen Neustupný

• Charles Thomas Newton

• Christiane Desroches Noblecourt

• Ivor Noël Hume

• Rahmat Naderi (born 1981) Iranian Kurdish, Paleolithic

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• Kenneth Oakley

• Jérémie Jacques Oberlin

• Bjørnar Olsen Norwegian, theory, material culture, Arctic

• Charles Orser Historical Archaeology

• Nimet Özgüç, Turkish, Hittitologist

• Tahsin Özgüç (1916-2005), Turkish, Assyrian archaeology

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• Glorimar Pagan

• John Parkington

• André Parrot

• Deborah M. Pearsall

• Richard J. Pearson (b. 2 May 1938)

• William Pengelly

• Alessandro Pezzati

• William Matthew Flinders Petrie

• Philip Phillips

• Stuart Piggott

• John Pinkerton

• Augustus Pitt Rivers

• George Pitt Rivers

• Nikolaos Platon

• Reginald Stuart Poole

• Georges Posener

• Gregory Possehl American; South Asia, Indus Valley Civilization

• Timothy W. Potter (1944-2000), British Classical archaeologist.

• Richard Potts

• Francis Pryor

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• Jules Etienne Joseph Quicherat, French

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• Philip Rahtz (1921 - ) British United Kingdom

• Sir Andrew Ramsay

• Katharina C. Rebay Austrian, United Kingdom

• George (Rip) Rapp, Jr.

• William Rathje

• Desire Raoul Rochette

• Jean Gaspard Felix Ravaisson-Mollien (1813 - 1900) French

• Colin Renfrew

• Caspar Reuvens

• Julian Richards

• Derek Roe

• Wil Roebroeks (born 1955) Dutch, The Netherlands

• Carlos Armando Rodriguez Editor by International Journal of South American Archaeology - IJSA (magazine)

• Malcolm J. Rogers (1890 - 1960), American, California

• Michael Rostovtzeff

• Katherine Routledge (1866 - 1935) British, Easter Island

• Emmanuel de Rouge

• Peter Rowley-Conwy

• Ron Rule

• Alberto Ruz Lhuillier

• Donald P. Ryan

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• Sharada Srinivasan

• Yannis Sakellarakis

• Roderick Salisbury

• Daniel H. Sandweiss

• Viktor Sarianidi

• Otto Schaden

• Claude Schaeffer

• Michael Brian Schiffer

• Heinrich Schliemann

• Philippe-Charles Schmerling

• Carmel Schrire

• Francesco Scipone

• Ovid R. Sellers, United States, Biblical Old Testament

• Jean Baptiste Louis George Seroux D'Agincourt

• Richard Shakles

• Michael Shanks

• Thurstan Shaw

• Sonia Shidrang Iranian, Paleolithic Archaeology

• Bong-geun Sim

• Isobel Smith

• William Robertson Smith

• Steven Snape

• Janet D. Spector

• E. Lee Spence

• Kurt Springs

• Stanley South, historical

• Flaxman Charles John Spurrell

• Rev. Frederick Spurrell

• Carl Steen

• Julie K. Stein, geoarchaeology and archaeology of shell middens and coastal archaeological sites

• Marc Aurel Stein

• M. Stekelis, excavation of neolithic site on Yarmuk River

• Hans-Georg Stephan, German Medievalist, born 1950

• Nicola Stern

• Simon Stoddart

• William Duncan Strong

• Pál Sümegi Hungarian

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• Jean Michel de Tarragon

• Joan Du Plat Taylor

• Walter Willard Taylor, Jr.

• Julio C. Tello

• Alexander Thom

• Julian Thomas

• J. Eric S. Thompson

• Christian Jürgensen Thomsen

• John Thurman

• Tina Thurston

• Christopher Tilley

• Alfred Marston Tozzer

• Bruce Trigger (1937-2006) Canadian; theory, comparative civilizations

• Evelyn Turner, Australian

• Ronald F. Tylecote

• Dr.Zemaryalai Tarzi Renown Afghan Archaeologist.

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• Peter Ucko (1938-2007)

• Luigi Maria Ugolini

• David Ussishkin

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• Henri de Vaux

• Zsolt Visy (1944- ), Hungary, archaeologist, aerial archaeologist.

• Dominique Vivant Denon

• Mary Voight

• Vítor Oliveira Jorge

[edit] W

• Marc Waelkens

• John Bryan Ward-Perkins (1912-1981), British, architectural historian, archaeologist.

• Charles Warne

• Patty Jo Watson

• Clarence H. Webb

• Waldo Wedel

• Fred Wendorf (born 1925), archaeological of and cultural development of arid environemnts

• Josef W. Wegner

• Friedrich Gottlieb Welcker

• Boyd Wettlaufer, Father of Saskatchewan Archaeology

• Mortimer Wheeler (1890-1976)

• Raymond Whitlow

• Theodor Wiegand

• Johann Joachim Winckelmann

• Leonard Woolley

• Jens Jacob Asmussen Worsaae

• Alison Wylie

• John Wymer

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• Norman Yoffee

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• Andreas Zimmermann German

• Ezra B.W. Zubrow American

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• Irit Ziffer

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• Vladas Žulkus (born 1945), Lithuanian

• Marek Zvelebil (born 1952), Czech

**Ron Wyatt**

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Ronald Eldon Wyatt (1933 - August 4, 1999 at Memphis, Tennessee) was an adventurer and former nurse anesthetist noted for advocating the Durupınar site as the site of Noah's Ark, among other Bible-related pseudoarchaeology.

His claims are dismissed by scientists, historians, biblical scholars, and even by leaders in his own Seventh-day Adventist Church, but he continues to have a strongly motivated, if narrowly-based, following among some fundamentalists and evangelicals.

Wyatt was a nurse-anesthetist when in 1960 he saw a picture in Life Magazine of the Durupınar site, a boat-like shape on a mountain near Mount Ararat. The resulting widespread speculation in evangelical Christian circles that this might be Noah's Ark started Wyatt on his career as an amateur archaeologist. From 1977 until his death in 1999 he made over one hundred trips to the Middle East, his interests widening to take in a wide variety of references from the Old and New Testaments.

Claimed discoveries

By the time of his death in August 4, 1999, his claimed discoveries included:[1]

Noah's Ark (the Durupınar site, located 18.25 miles south of Mount Ararat at an altitude of 6,525 feet above sea level)

Anchor stones (or drogue stones) used by Noah on the Ark

The post-flood house, grave markers and tombs of Noah and his wife

The location of Sodom and Gomorrah and the other (3) Cities of the Plain: Zoar, Zeboim and Admah

Sulfur/brimstone balls from the ashen remains of Sodom and Gomorrah.

The Tower of Babel site in southern Turkey

The site of the Israelites' crossing of the Red Sea (located in the Gulf of Aqaba)

Chariot wheels and other relics of the army of Pharaoh at the bottom of the Red Sea

The true site of the biblical Mt. Sinai, located by Wyatt in Saudi Arabia at Jabal al Lawz

The rock at Mt. Horeb (the rock Moses struck, and water flowed out.)

The true site of Korah’s earthquake.

A chamber at the end of a maze of tunnels under Jerusalem containing artifacts from Solomon's Temple

The site of the Crucifixion of Jesus

The Ark of the Covenant (container with the Ten Commandments)

The original stones of the Ten Commandments (the second set)

A sample of Christ’s blood, dripped onto the Mercy seat of the Ark of the Covenant, directly beneath the Crucifixion site.

Reception

While Wyatt won a devoted following from the ranks of fundamentalist Christians seeking tangible evidence of the literal truth of the Bible, his credibility was disputed, often bitterly, by professional archaeologists and biblical scholars. The Garden Tomb Association of Jerusalem state in a letter they issue to visitors on request:

**The Council of the Garden Tomb Association (London) totally refute the claim of Mr Wyatt to have discovered the original Ark of the Covenant or any other biblical artifacts within the boundaries of the area known as the Garden Tomb Jerusalem. Though Mr Wyatt was allowed to dig within this privately owned garden on a number of occasions (the last occasion being the summer of 1991) staff members of the Association observed his progress and entered his excavated shaft. As far as we are aware nothing was ever discovered to support his claims nor have we seen any evidence of biblical artifacts or temple treasures.**

In a similar vein, archaeologist Joe Zias of Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) has stated that "Ron Wyatt is neither an archaeologist nor has he ever carried out a legally licensed excavation in Israel or Jerusalem. In order to excavate one must have at least a BA in archaeology which he does not possess despite his claims to the contrary. ... [His claims] fall into the category of trash which one finds in tabloids such as the National Enquirer, Sun etc."[2]

Wyatt's fellow evangelicals have not been any less critical: Answers in Genesis called Wyatt's claims fraudulent,[3] and one Seventh-day Adventist professor of archaeology sums up Wyatt's Noah's Ark and anchor stones claims in these words: "While the Durupinar site is about the right length for Noah's ark, [it is] ... too wide to be Noah's ark. Wyatt has claimed that the "boat-shapedness" of this formation can only be explained by its being Noah's ark, but both Shea and Morris have offered other plausible explanations. Likewise, Wyatt has argued that the standing stones he has found are anchors, while Terian is aware of similar stones outside the Durupinar site area that were pagan cultic stones later converted by Christians for Christian purposes."[4]

Dismissed by the mainstream as a pseudoarchaeologist, Wyatt's official organization, Wyatt Archaeological Research (WAR), claims that the IAA have always been aware of the excavations and issued "verbal permits" for most of them and official permits to all WAR excavations since 2002.[citation needed] Nevertheless, the only evidence of WAR involvement in a legitimate excavation sanctioned by the IAA relates to WAR part-funding of a 2005 dig.[5]

Following Wyatt's death, a split developed between the official Wyatt Archaeological Research (WAR) organization which he founded, and the independent ministries and interested individuals which had previously cooperated with WAR. WAR currently claims to be the sole owner of all Wyatt's photographs, newsletters, and other intellectual property; other individuals who had known and worked with Wyatt established independent ministries and websites with the purpose of promoting Wyatt's discoveries outside the framework set by WAR.

## Letter from Joe Zias

---------- Forwarded message ----------  
Date: Thu, 8 Aug 1996 10:13:12 +0300 (IDT)  
Subject: Re: Ron Wyatt

Dear Mr. Searcy

Mr. Ron Wyatt is neither an archaeologist nor has he ever carried out a legally licensed excavation in Israel or Jerusalem. In order to excavate one must have at least a BA in archaeology which he does not possess despite his claims to the contrary. We are aware of his claims which border on the absurd as they have no scientific basis whatsoever nor have they ever been published in a professional journal. They fall into the category of trash which one finds in tabloids such as the National Enquirer, Sun etc. It's amazing that anyone would believe them. Furthermore, he has been throughly discredited by various Christian organizations such as Creation Research in Calif. For the latest on his "discoveries" I suggest going into the WWW (use Vista) someone called Tentmaker decided to do an expose of his various claims. Here you will find the truth, which is more amazing that his (RW) fictions.

Shalom  
=============================  
Joe Zias  
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Israel Antiquities Authority  
POB 586, Jerusalem  
Tel. 972 2 292624

Shalom, if you have stirred up a wasps nest you must be doing something good. I can be quoted on the following:

A. Ron Wyatt has never received a license from the IAA to excavate here in Jerusalem. If he has then let him produce a license for his digs and surveys in Jerusalem, the Judean Desert, Mt. Sinai etc.

B. Finding a coin at the so called Mt. Sinai. This shows the total ignorance of RW and his public who want to believe rather than to know! Coins were not around at the times of Moses, even an amauter archaeologist should know this simple fact!!! There are so many so called Mt. Sinais that even the Jews do not know where it is located. Personally I believe that it is simply a literary invention which is why it will never be found.

C. As for the chariot wheel, a bluff, produce it, on what was the dating made? Saw it in the video, it looks like a hoax. If it exists date it in a C-14 lab. As a amauter arch. which he claims to be he should know of many.

D. The Noah's ark discovery has been discredited. If it is true, and I saw the tape, show lab reports on the C-14 lab report.

E. I personally read the junk about the blood of Christ which is totally absurd. I immediately sent a fax to RW as I knew he was bluffing asking for a) copy and address of the lab report and b) sample for some independent testing which we would do. As of yet we have not received any reply, I sent a colleague who is a professor of NT to Tenn. to see what was up and the person in charge of the museum there said that we in the IAA are a bunch of non-believers and they weren't interested in providing such info. to us. =============================

F. I saw his video which is an embarrasment to the world of arch. The only people who can believe this junk is one who has never studied arch. As for the impt. archaeologists he mentions in his reports. I have never heard of one of them after 25 yrs in the profession. As for the James Irwin, what are his credentials regarding the world of Biblical Arch. Did he have a BA in the profession, he was conned into believing this as have many others who wish to believe rather than to know.

G. Has RW ever had any of his impt. so called discoveries published in a peer reviewed journal? If so why not?

H. Lastly if RW can supply us with the lab report on the so called blood of Jesus along with a sample for independent testing which shows 24 chromosones I will then be led along the road to Damascus. Otherwise he is bluffing.

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