

Magic & Medicine of the Ancients – Eileen Goulding MA



The practices of magic and medicine throughout the ancient world were intertwined and often difficult to distinguish. This lecture examines both to demonstrate the similarities and differences, with details of spells, prescriptions and potions to kill or cure. The magicians were powerful, the doctors knowledgeable and the surgeons were skilled but could they help and heal the unfortunates they treated? This lecture identifies what worked – and what didn't!



An Egyptologist, author and lecturer, Eileen specialises in the pharaohs and people of Ancient Egypt, their history, language, art, religion and funerary practices and has a keen interest in the Myths & Legends of the Ancient World. She is a guest speaker on cruise ships and lectures to Egyptology Societies throughout the UK. Her first book *What Did the Poor Take with Them?* published in 2013, is an academic treatise on Ancient Egyptian grave goods, while her second book *Understanding Ancient Egypt* published in 2014, is a more accessible introduction to the subject.