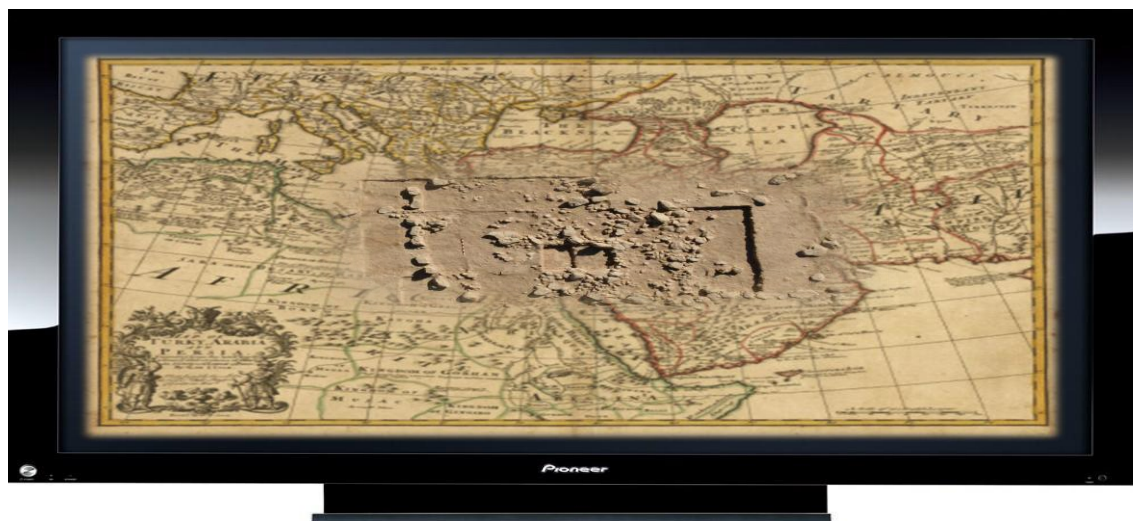


# **The Duke Symposium on Archaeology, Politics, and the Media:**



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The Duke Symposium will explore the often-strained relations between archaeologists and the media and the concomitant impact on local communities in the United States and the Middle East. Specifically, the conference will investigate the methods and values of media representation and those of archaeological investigation, as well as the effects of archaeological excavation and media coverage on the scholarly world, local inhabitants, and American faith communities. Ultimately, the symposium intends to outline better methods of communication between archaeologists, media representatives, and non-specialist audiences.

Participants include experts in all areas of Near Eastern archaeology, cultural property, and the media. The conference will feature major addresses by Ethan Bronner (NYT bureau chief, Jerusalem) and Patty Gerstenblith (Distinguished Research Professor, DePaul University College of Law).

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