

## **The William Fagg Anthropology Lecture 2007**

**Date** : November 16, 2007

### **Presenting the Dead**

*Prof. Stephan Feuchtwang, London School of Economics*

Thursday 22 November, 18.30

BP Lecture Theatre, British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG

£5, concessions £3

In the First Emperor exhibition we see things that were not made for anyone's eyes but those of a dead emperor's eternal spirit, the result of his quest for immortality. For us these mortuary and ancestral rites are both sources for historical research and awesome treasures for display.

Displaying them indicates a number of profound changes in the power relations entailed in making things visible. Professor Feuchtwang discusses these issues and also looks more broadly at death rituals in China - rituals of the ordinary dead as well as the imperial dead - and how they have changed throughout history.

Booking tickets:

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The Box Office is open from 10.00 to 16.45 every day.