Groundbreakers:
Women in Archaeology



Nine Lives

Animation – 10:30 mins (approx)
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Explore the lives of nine groundbreaking British women archaeologists across the late 19th and 20th centuries.

Nine Lives draws on the rich archaeological archives of the British International Research Institutes and the Petrie Museum of Egyptian and Sudanese Egyptology to chart a global history that spans geographies and generations.

- Discover Amelia Edwards, the 'Queen of Egyptology'
- Agatha Christie's role in digging up the Iraqi 'Mona Lisa'
- Welsh archaeologist Olwen Brogan's work in Libya

And the many hidden figures who appear in the archives.

Based on **Women Transcending Boundaries: over a century of scholarship, fieldwork and friendship across the British International Research Institutes,** an online research project created by the BIRI Digital Coordination and Strategy Project (2022–2026) and supported by the British Academy.

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