



Domus et Imperium: Roman Imperial Family as a Political Concept

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The Italian family with its complex dynamics has always been an important aspect of the Italian way of life from antiquity to the present. Within this context, my research focuses on the representation of the Roman imperial family as a political tool. In this presentation, I will form a narrative across locations and scales. I will first discuss the definition of the imperial family as a political concept in Rome. Then, I will move onto Pompeii and scrutinize the representation of the family in the Roman domus through busts belonging to the proud members, funerary masks exhibited in the cabinets and portraits on shields hung on the walls. Finally, I will use what we have learned from Rome and Pompeii, to form an argument on the representation of Roman imperial family at the public spaces and houses in Ephesus.

The lecture will take place on Zoom. For Zoom registration:

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