

Dear Members

We have two events planned in the next month. Both have exciting speakers and should be great events. Please find details on the two events below.

February 11, 2012

*A Workshop on Tuduc carpets
and Fakes*

Speaker: Stefan Ionescu

Peter Pap Oriental Rugs

470 Jackson St. San Francisco

Beginning at 11:30 AM

Limited to 25 Participants.

Please contact Renee Rausin at Peter Pap's asap as we will be taking reservations on a first-come-first served basis. Tel 415-956-3300.

Tuduc's forgeries have fooled museum curators, auction experts, great collectors or carpet scholars of the calibre of James F. Ballard, M.S. Dimand, Kurt Erdmann, Joseph V. McMullan, Ulrich Schürmann. Tuduc rugs are featured in private or museum collections in Europe and America, including the Museum for Islamic Art of Berlin, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Stefano Ionescu will talk on Tuduc forgeries in European and American collections, presenting significant facts about Tuduc and his rugs. Then, during the hands on session participants will discuss Tuducs and some questionable rugs which will be compared with authentic examples. The workshop will end with an interactive session with photos of different rugs: Are they fakes? Are they just copies? How to unmask a fake? When should a fake be attributed to Tuduc?



February 15, 2012

Pazyryk Carpets

Speaker: Dr. Elena Tsareva

The Annual Joint SFBARS-Armenian Rug Society Presentation at

Rugs and Carpets Inc.

931 N. Amphlett blvd. San Mateo, CA

Off Hwy. 10 South, past SF Airport exits.

Social event with light snacks and drinks

to begin 6:30PM/ *Lecture starts at 7:30.*

For questions call Joe Bezjian at ARS on

650 343-8585 or Ben Banayan

415-230-9552.

The famous Pazyryk Carpet, now housed in the State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, is the first known pile weaving, found in a Siberian *kurgan* (tomb mound), and dated to the middle of the 4th century BC. Many other textiles, mostly felts, were unearthed in the same and nearby gravesites, and, along with the Pazyryk Carpet, show charming and sophisticated graphic representations of both fantasy and realistic animals. This talk by Dr. Elena Tsareva will cover the specific details of the Pazyryk Carpet, and the lesser-known tapestries and felts from the nearby PK-2 and PK-5 excavations, as well as other South Siberian Saka tribal *kurgans*. The presence of these artifacts in the region covers the period between the 9th – 2nd century BC, and continues on the west Central Asian territories in the form of the Bactrian carpet weaving tradition, up to the end of the Hellenistic period. Dr. Tsareva's talk will also show comparative concurrent material, and including a range of metalwork, stone carvings, mosaics, pottery, murals, etc., which suggests a broad picture of the development and practice of the artistic imaginary of the splendid epoch of Early Nomads of Central Asia.

There will be a show and tell after the presentation.

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*A Workshop on Tuduc carpets
and Fakes*

Speaker: Stefan Ionescu

Stefano Ionescu is a native Romanian living in Rome. An independent scholar, he has been studying Transylvanian rugs for more than a decade. His publications include *Antique Ottoman Rugs in Transylvania*, winner of the Prize of the Romanian Academy in History of Art and the *Handbook of Fakes by Tuduc* (which will be available at the workshop) as well as numerous scholarly articles and curated exhibitions. At ICOC 2011 Stefano Ionescu was awarded the Joseph V. McMullan Award.

This event is organised in connection with the Mini-Symposium *Museum Fakes, Forgeries and the Quest for Authenticity* at the De Young Museum.

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Pazyryk Carpets

Speaker: Dr. Elena Tsareva

Dr. Elena Tsareva is a world-acknowledged specialist in the field of archaeological and ethnographic textiles, and an expert on the topic of carpet weaving of the peoples of Northern Eurasia. A graduate of the Oriental Faculty of the Leningrad State University, she now works in the Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography (Kunstkamera) of the Russian Academy of Sciences. Since 1984 she has been a contributing editor of *HALI* magazine, and author of more than one hundred publications. Her latest book, *"Turkmen Carpets. The Hoffmeister Collection,"* was named by the *NY Times* as one of the five best books 'on antiques' published during 2011. The Near Eastern Art Research Center recently announced that Dr. Tsareva will be the 2012 recipient of the Joseph V. McMullan Award for Stewardship and Scholarship in Islamic Rugs and Textiles.

ADDITIONAL UPCOMING EVENTS

February 9th, 2012

Museum Fakes, Forgeries and the Quest for Authenticity

A Mini-Symposium at the deYoung Museum, Koret Auditorium
time: 10-12:30 PM. Open to the Public.

The symposium will address the subject of fakes and forgeries in the art world and in museum collections in a panel of six expert speakers, including Stefan Ionescu from Rome Italy who is also sponsored by SFBARS. He will talk about the Tuduc Carpets, famous forgeries of classical Turkish carpets.

February 10-12, 2012

The SF Tribal and Textile Arts Show—Festival Hall, Fort Mason.

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