

*The Cincinnati Asian Art Society Presents*  
***Making the Desert Bloom:***  
*The Art, Architecture and Archaeology of the Nabataeans*



Left: *Khirbet et-Tannur Inner Temple Installation, Cincinnati Art Museum*

Right: Dr. Wenner at Khazneh, Petra, Jordan



*Sunday March. 15, 2026*

*At 2:00 PM at The Cincinnati Art Museum*

Join Dr. Sarah Wenner to explore the lasting impact of the Nabataeans (3<sup>rd</sup> century BC – 363 AD) on the art and architecture of today's Jordan and surrounding regions. Through the exploration of two important Nabataean sites—Petra, the Nabataean capital city, and Khirbet et-Tannur, a Roman-period Nabataean temple—we will consider how the Nabataeans used material culture to assert their independence and transform the landscape around them, making the desert bloom.

Dr. Sarah Wenner, is the jointly appointed Provenance Researcher and Object Historian at the Cincinnati Art Museum and Assistant Professor of Archaeology at the American Center of Research in Amman, Jordan. She is an archaeologist of the Roman period, an expert in the ceramic traditions of Southern Jordan and has worked at numerous sites in the region—including Petra, Wadi Rumm, and Khirbet et-Tannur.

2:00 PM **In-Person** Lecture in **The Fath Auditorium** 3:00 PM Reception  
Cincinnati Art Museum 953 Eden Park Drive Cincinnati, OH 45202

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