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KEYNOTE PUBLIC PRESENTATION

'WOMEN AND CHILDREN FIRST: THE EARLIEST EVIDENCE FOR ANCIENT GREEK BODY AMULETS'

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This power-point lecture will explore the evidence of vase-paintings, votive statues and grave deposits that shows how in the classical and Hellenistic periods Greek women and children wore amulets to protect their bodies. The absence of similar amulets on images of naked adult males suggests that they did not wear amulets, although literary evidence is clear that men – even the famous Pericles -- did wear amulets when

they were ill. This talk will also show how the wearing of childhood amulets by boys (especially on Cyprus and in Athens) seems intertwined with assertions of citizenship and other forms of status. **This is a free event.**

DATE:
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6.00 pm

VENUE: Sir
Llew Edwards
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