

David Ilan - Curriculum vita

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Academic record

- 1999 Completion of Ph.d studies at Tel Aviv University. Dissertation topic: *Northeastern Israel in the Iron Age I: Cultural, Socioeconomic and Political Perspectives* (supervisor: Prof. Israel Finkelstein).
- 1992 Completion of Getty Conservation Institute and Israel Antiquities Authority Course: Conservation of Excavated Sites and Materials.
- 1990 Completion of M.A. degree at Hebrew University (with honors), thesis subject: *Middle Bronze Age Mortuary Practices at Tel Dan: Material Culture, Society and Ideology* (supervisor: Prof. Trude Dothan).
- (1981-83 Military service)
- 1980 B.A. Archaeology and Geography, Hebrew University.
- 1975-76 California State University, Northridge - major: English.
- 1974-75 Young Judaea Year Course in Israel (Hadassah Youth Center) - including study in Jerusalem, Ulpan, and volunteer work on kibbutz, Moshav and in a development town.
- 1974 Graduation from high school (West Torrance High, California)

Academic instruction and positions held

- 2006-2007 Zemsky Guest Professor in Judaic Studies, Johns Hopkins University

- 2003- Director, Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion
- 1998-2003 Lecturer at Tel Aviv University, Department of Archaeology.
- 1991-99 Lecturer for St. John's College of Minnesota, St. Paul's Seminary of Minnesota and St. Michael's College of Toronto (different programs): courses taught: "The Archaeology of Jerusalem"; "Chapters in the Archaeology of Israel".
- 1985, 1990 Lecturer at the Hebrew University Rothberg School for Overseas Students, courses taught: "The Archaeology of Jerusalem"; "Chapters in the Archaeology of Israel".
- 1984-89 *Archaeological Seminars*, Jerusalem: guiding field trips and giving lectures on the archaeology of Jerusalem to youth groups
- 1984-85 Lecturer at the Jerusalem Institute - Hadassah Youth Center, courses taught: "The Course of Jewish History from the Patriarchs to the Middle Ages"; "The Archaeology of Jerusalem".
- 1983-91 *Elderhostel*, lecturing and guiding the courses: "The Archaeology of Israel" and "The Archaeology of Jerusalem".
- 1977 Trail guide and research assistant at the Ein Gedi Field School on the Dead Sea.
- 1975-76 Teacher of Hebrew and Sunday school at Valley Beth Shalom Synagogue (Los Angeles).

Fieldwork

- 2005- Tel Dan – director.
- 1988-1999 Tel Dan (Neolithic - Roman), field supervisor with Prof. A. Biran, Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Hebrew Union College, Jerusalem.
- 1994-96 Megiddo, field supervisor with Prof. I. Finkelstein and Prof. D. Ussishkin.
- 1990 Shiqmim (Chalcolithic), field supervisor with Prof. Thomas E. Levy (UCSD).
- 1988 En Hanatziv (Early Bronze Age tomb), with M. Sebbane and R. Amiran (Israel Museum).
- 1988 Sha`at Cave (Early Bronze Age domestic assemblage), director.
- 1985 Damascus Gate (Herodian - Ottoman periods), co-director with M. Magen.
- 1981-83 Military service

- 1980 Nahal Lavan Survey (general prehistory), student volunteer under Dr. N. Goring-Morris (Hebrew University).
- 1979 Tel Qasis (Late Bronze - Iron Age), field supervisor under Prof. A. Ben-Tor (Hebrew University).
- 1979 Tel Malhata (Chalcolithic - Early Bronze Age), field supervisor under Prof. Ruth Amiran (Israel Museum).
- 1979 Wadi Jiba`a (Neolithic), student volunteer under Prof. O. Bar-Yosef (Hebrew University).
- 1979 En-Gev (Upper Paleolithic - Epipaleolithic), student volunteer under Mr. Gil Matin (Centre de recherche francais de Jerusalem).
- 1978 Tel Yoqneam (Iron Age - Crusader), student internship under Prof. A. Ben-Tor (Hebrew University).
- 1978 Wadi Tbeik (Sinai, Neolithic) field assistant under Prof. O. Bar-Yosef (Hebrew University).
- 1977 Kadesh Barnea (Upper Paleolithic - Neolithic), student volunteer with Prof. O. Bar-Yosef (Hebrew University).

Research Positions

- 1988-99 G.E. Wright Scholar, Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Jerusalem.
- 1987 Assistant to Mr. A. Eitan (Director of the Israel Dept. of Antiquities) - preparing Aqrabaniyeh site (Early Bronze tomb group) for publication.
- 1983-6 Assistant to Prof. Ruth Amiran (Israel Museum) - in charge of the Tel Nagila project publication, (Early Bronze - Iron Age).
- 1979 Research assistant to Dr. N. Goring-Morris (Hebrew University) - Phasael site (Epipaleolithic).
- 1978 Research assistant to Dr. C. Dauphin (Ecole Biblique, presently at Oxford) - Shlomi (Byzantine Church and Monastery)

Curatorial Projects

- 1994-present Curator of Safra Square - Jerusalem Municipality permanent archaeological exhibit. Catalogue: *Jerusalem Through the Ages: Selected finds from archaeological sites in and around Jerusalem from prehistory through the Ottoman period.*

Consultancy

2004-present Consultant to Y.G. Archaeology – contract archaeology firm. Publication and website management.

Grants and Fellowships

- 2004-6 White Levy Grant for Archaeological Publication – Tel Aroer
- 1995-7 Tel Aviv University Rotenstreich Scholarship for Honors Candidates.
- 1995-6 Doctoral dissertation fellowship from the National Foundation of Jewish Culture, New York.
- 1995-6 Graduate research award from the Kress Foundation.
- 1992 Travel grant from the British Council to participate in the conference, "The Archaeology of Death in the Ancient Near East", in Manchester.
- 1987-2002 G.E. Wright Fellow at the Hebrew Union College - preparing the Middle Bronze Age and Iron Age material from Tel Dan for publication.
- 1985-6 Grant from Ahvat Yosef Foundation for Tel Nagila publication.

Membership in Professional Organizations

- Israel Exploration Society
- American Association of Anthropologists
- American Schools of Oriental Research
- Council for British Research in the Levant

Editorial and Committee Positions

- 2003-present member, Israel Exploration Society advisory board
- 1999-present Co-organizer (together with E. Marcus (Haifa University) and A. Maier (Bar Ilan University), Middle Bronze Age Study Group
- 1998-2002 Editorial board member of the series *Levantine Archaeology*, Sheffield University Press

Publications

A. Books and Monographs

1. A. Biran, D. Ilan and R. Greenberg. *Dan I: History of Excavation, the Neolithic Settlement, the Early Bronze Age Levels and the Middle Bronze Age Tombs*, Annual of the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Jerusalem: Hebrew Union College. 1996

Invited (in preparation)

1. D. Ilan. *Dan IV: The Early Iron Age Levels*. Annual of the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Jerusalem: Hebrew Union College.
2. D. Ilan, A. Biran and G. Cook. *Dan V: The Middle Bronze Levels*. Annual of the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology, Jerusalem: Hebrew Union College.

B. Refereed Articles

1. J. Uziel, D. Ben-Shlomo, D. Ilan, I. Shai and A.M. Maeir. Middle Bronze Age II Pottery Production in the Western Shephelah: Comparing Methods from Tel Nagila, Tell es-Safi/Gath, and Tel Burna. *Leiden Journal of Pottery Studies* 25 (2009): 141-162.
2. Farhi, Y., Gadot, Y., Ilan, D., Pincus, J., Taxel, I., Tsfania, L. and Bachar, S. The Givat Sher-Modi'in Community Based Excavation: Preliminary Report on the 2004-2006 Seasons. *Bulletin of the Anglo-Israel Archaeology Society* 27 (2009): 89-148.
3. Shai, I., D. Ilan, and R. Kletter. An Aegean Fire-Stand from Tel Nagila. *Palestine Exploration Quarterly* 141,3 (2009): 160-166.
4. Y. Gadot, D. Ilan, E. Yannai and Y. Tepper. The Middle and Late Bronze Age Burial Caves near Tel 'Ara. *Qadmoniot* 42 (No. 137, 2009): 25-30. (Hebrew).
5. D. Ilan. Mortuary Practices in Early Bronze Age Canaan. *Near Eastern Archaeology* 65 (2003): 92-104.
6. D. Ilan, P. Vandiver and M. Spaer. An Early Glass Bead from Tel Dan. *Israel Exploration Journal* 43 (1996a): 230-234.
7. D. Ilan. The Middle Bronze Age Painted Pottery from Tel Dan. *Levant* 28 (1996b): 159-174.
8. M. Sebbane, O. Ilan, D. Ilan and U. Avner. On Dating the Early Bronze Age Settlement of the Negev and Sinai. *Tel Aviv* 20 (1993): 41-54.
9. D. Ilan. A Middle Bronze Age Cultic Cache from Tel Dan, *Eretz-Israel* 23 (1992a): 9-20. (Hebrew).
10. D. Ilan. A Middle Bronze Age Offering from Tel Dan and the Politics of Cultic Gifting. *Tel Aviv* 19 (1992b): 247-266.
11. D. Ilan. Stepped-rim Juglets from Tel Dan and the MBI-II (MBIIA-B) Transition, *Israel Exploration Journal* 41 (1991): 230-238.

Submitted for publication

1. E. Mazar and D. Ilan. A Middle Bronze Age Tomb at Atlit. *Atiqot*.

C. Chapters in Books

1. D. Ilan and Y. Gadot. Undermining the Edifice of Ethnocentric Historical Narrative in Israel with Community-Based Archaeology, Pp. 103-122 in *Controlling the Past, Owning the Future: The Political Uses of Archaeology in the Middle East*. (eds. R. Boytner, L. Swartz Dodd and B. J. Parker). University of Arizona Press. 2010.

2. D. Ilan. Biblical Archaeology as Social Action – Two Case Studies, Pp. 69-80 in: *Future Directions of Biblical Archaeology* (ed. T.E. Levy). London: Equinox. 2010.
3. D. Ilan. The Socioeconomic Implications of Grain Storage in Early Iron Age Canaan: The Case of Tel Dan, Pp. 87-104 in *The Children of Israel: Archaeological Studies in Honor of Israel Finkelstein*. (eds. A. Fantalkin and A. Yasur-Landau). Leiden: Brill. 2008.
4. Y.M. Rowan and D. Ilan. The Meaning of Ritual Diversity in the Chalcolithic of the Southern Levant. Pp. 249-256 in *Cult in Context: Reconsidering Ritual in Archaeology* (eds. D.A. Barrowclough and C. Malone). Oxford: Oxbow Press. 2007.
5. Y. Gadot, D. Ilan and A. Yasur-Landau. The Middle and Late Bronze Age Pottery from Areas F and N, in: *Megiddo IV* (eds. I. Finkelstein and D. Ussishkin). Tel Aviv University. 2006
6. H.J. Bruins, J. van der Plicht, D. Ilan, and E. Werker. Iron Age ¹⁴C Dates from Tel Dan: A High Chronology, Pp. 323-336 in *The Bible and Radiocarbon Dating: Archaeology, Text and Science* (ed. T.E. Levy and T. Higham). Oxford, England. 2005.
7. D. Ilan. The Middle Bronze Age, Pp. 331-342 in: *Near Eastern Archaeology: A Reader* (ed. S. Richard). Eisenbraun's. 2003.
8. D. Ilan. The Riddle of Structure 5239 at Megiddo Stratum IX, Pp. 307-316 in: *Studies in the Archaeology of Israel and Neighboring Lands in Memory of Douglas L. Esse* (ed. S. Wolff), Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization No. 59. Chicago. 2001.
9. D. Ilan, N. Franklin and R.S. Hallote. Chapter 4 - Area F: Stratigraphy and Architecture, Pp. 75-103 in: *Megiddo III* (eds. I. Finkelstein and D. Ussishkin). Tel Aviv University. 2000.
10. D. Ilan, R.S. Hallote and E.H. Cline. The Middle and Late Bronze Age Pottery from Area F, Pp. 186-222 in: *Megiddo III* (eds. I. Finkelstein and D. Ussishkin). Tel Aviv University. 2000.
11. D. Ilan. The Dawn of Internationalism: Middle Bronze Age (2000-1550 BC), Pp. 297-319 in: *The Archaeology of Society in the Holy Land* (ed. T. E. Levy), London: Leicester University Press. 1995a.
12. D. Ilan. Mortuary Practices at Tel Dan in the Middle Bronze Age: A Reflection of Canaanite Society and Ideology, Pp. 117-139 in: *The Archaeology of Death in the Ancient Near East* (eds. S. Campbell and A. Green), Oxford: Oxbow Press. 1995b.

In press

1. Y. Rowan and D. Ilan. The Subterranean Landscape of the Southern Levant During the Chalcolithic Period, in: *Journeys into the Dark Zone: A Cross Cultural Perspective on Caves as Sacred Spaces* (ed. H. Moyes). Boulder, Colorado: University of Colorado Press.

2. D. Ilan. Household Gleanings from Iron Age I Tel Dan, in: *Household Archaeology in the Bronze and Iron Age Levant*. (eds. A. Yasur-Landau, J. Ebeling and L. Mazow), Leiden: Brill.
3. D. Ilan. Early Bronze Age I Tomb 910 at Megiddo: a Reexamination, in: *Eretz Israel 30* (Ben Tor volume), (ed. S. Zuckerman). Jerusalem: Israel Exploration Society.
4. Y. Rowan and D. Ilan. Poor Man, Rich Man, Shaman, Priest? Religious Practitioners During the Chalcolithic in the Southern Levant, in: *Beyond Belief: the Archaeology of Religion and Ritual* (Archeological Papers of the American Anthropological Association). (ed. Y. Rowan). Arlington, Virginia.

Submitted for publication

1. D. Ilan and E. Marcus. Middle Bronze Age IIA, in: *The Ancient Pottery of Israel and its Neighbors* (ed. S. Gitin). Israel Exploration Society and the Israel Antiquities Authority.
2. D. Ilan, Chapter 6: The Early Bronze Age Tombs of Megiddo - a Reappraisal, in: *The University of Chicago Excavations on the Eastern Slope of Megiddo* (E. Braun). University of Chicago, Oriental Institute Publications.

D. Papers presented at Scientific Meetings and Published as Proceedings

1. D. Ilan. Village Archaeology: Tel Dan in the Iron Age I, Pp. 51-66 in: *Material Culture, Society and Ideology - New Directions in the Archaeology of Israel*. (eds. A. Meier and A. Faust). Bar Ilan University, Land of Israel Studies. 1999. (Hebrew).

E. Other Publications

1. Review of Burke, A. 2008. *Walled Up To Heaven: The Evolution of Middle Bronze Age Fortification Strategies in the Levant*. Forthcoming in *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*.
2. Review of Oren, E. 1997. The Hyksos: New Historical and Archaeological Perspectives. *Archaeology Odyssey*. 1999: 60-61.
3. D. Ilan. "Tel Dan", "Aroer", "Dolmens", "Burial Goods", "Tumuli" in: *The Encyclopedia of Near Eastern Archaeology* (ed. E. Meyers), Oxford University Press. 1996.
4. (with U. Dahari and G. Avni), The Rampant Rape of Israel's Archaeological Sites, *Biblical Archaeology Review* 15/2 (1990): 38-43.
5. Occasional contributions for the *Jerusalem Report* and *Jerusalem Post*, *Biblical Archaeology Review*. 1989-

Recent papers delivered at academic meetings

April 2010 (with Y. Thareani) "The Hula Valley from the Early Bronze Age to the Ottoman Period: A longue durée examination of changing interactions between people and the natural environment". *Eighth Meeting of the International Conference of Archaeology in the Ancient Near East*. London.

- September 2009 (with Y. Rowan) “Reconstituting the Dead: Ossuaries in the Chalcolithic of the Southern Levant.” Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists. Riva del Garda, Italy.
- November 2008 “Household Gleanings from Iron Age I Tel Dan.” *Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research*, Boston.
- May 2008 (with Giora Solar and Gila Cook) “The Triple-arched Mudbrick Gate of Middle Bronze Age Tel Dan: New Excavations, New Insights and the Dilemmas of Restoration”. *6th International Congress of Archaeology in the Ancient Near East*, Rome.
- April 2008 (with Y. Gadot) Community Archaeology in Israel—Researching the Past for a Better Future. 34th Archaeological Congress, Jerusalem.
- November 2007 (with Y. Rowan) “The Judean Desert and a Chalcolithic Necropolis”. *Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research*, San Diego.
- November 2006 (with Y. Rowan), “Mortuary Practice, Ritual Ideology and Prestige Goods during the Chalcolithic of the Southern Levant”, *Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research*, Washington, D.C.
- April 2006 (coauthor: Yorke Rowan, University of Notre Dame) “Poor Man, Rich Man, Shamam, Priest: Ritual, Social Hierarchies and Material Culture during the Chalcolithic Period in the Southern Levant”, *Annual Meeting of the Society of American Archaeology*, San Juan.
- November 2005 “The Dawn of Imperialism: Egyptians at Megiddo in the 4th Millennium BCE”, *Annual Meeting of the American Schools of Oriental Research*, Philadelphia.