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Blood on the Altar: Architectural, Artifactual and Zooarchaeological Evidence for (Israelite?) Animal Sacrifice at Tel Dan

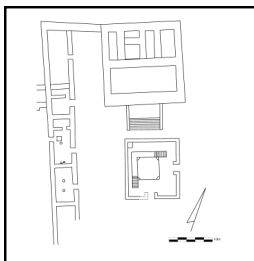
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7:30pm

Michael C. Carlos Museum, Reception Hall
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An analysis of architectural features, certain artifacts, and an exceptionally large concentration of animal bone remains uncovered over the last few decades from the so-called “sacred precinct” at Tel Dan, in northern Israel, will be presented suggesting that animal sacrifice and sacred meals were carried out at this installation during the days of the Israelite kings (late 10th cent. - mid 8th cent. BCE). The site is associated with one of the infamous golden calves of Jeroboam I after the death of Solomon in biblical tradition and this synthesis, thus, has implications for the history of ancient Israel and for the formation of priestly literature concerning sacrificial rites.

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