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# Jan Assmann

Professor Emeritus of Egyptology at the University of Heidelberg



## *Ancient Egypt and the Cultural Memory of Europe*

**Tuesday October 12<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 5:30 PM**

McGill University, William & Henry Birks Building, Birks Heritage Chapel  
3520 University Street, Montreal H3A 2A7

## *From Poly- to Monotheism: Evolution or Revolution ?*

**Wednesday October 13<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 5:30 PM**

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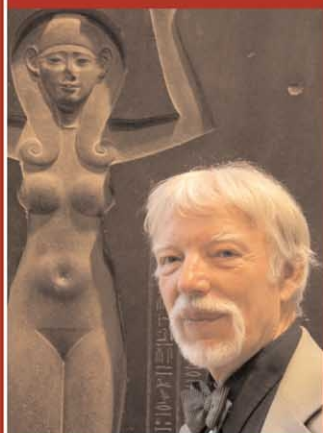
*The lectures on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> are the Annual Birks Lecture Series at McGill University.*



## *L'héritage de l'Égypte ancienne dans l'histoire intellectuelle et religieuse de l'Occident*

**Thursday October 14<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 7:30 PM**

Université du Québec à Montréal,  
Pavillon Athanase David, Salle de la reconnaissance (D-R200)  
1430 Saint-Denis Street, Montreal H2X 3J8



Jan Assmann was professor of Egyptology at the University of Heidelberg from 1976 to 2003 and is currently Honorary Professor of Religious and Cultural Studies in Constance. J. Assmann has been a visiting professor in Paris (Collège de France, EHESS, EPHE, the Louvre), Yale and Jerusalem at more than one occasion. He was awarded the Max-Planck Prize in 1996 and the Federal Cross of Merit First Class in 2005, among many honours. His varied fields of research range from Ancient Egyptian Literature and Religion in the context of Comparative Literature and Religious Studies to Cultural Studies and the History of Religion, especially the rise of monotheism in the Ancient World and early modern concepts of Egyptian culture ("Egyptomania"). J. Assmann has published extensively and his latest books include *Death and Salvation in Ancient Egypt* (Ithaca 2005), *Religion and Cultural Memory* (Stanford 2007), *Of God and Gods. Egypt, Israel and the Rise of Monotheism* (Madison 2008) and *The Price of Monotheism* (Stanford 2009).



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