Jerusalem, The Movie
Professor Jodi Magness
You'll Dig It!

We recently had the opportunity to view the film, Jerusalem, screened at the Imax Theater located at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History in Atlanta . The experience was captivating, breathtaking and meaningful. This extraordinary film presented the multi-cultural and cherished sites of the city of Jerusalem, its history and its people. The film captures the intersection of science, history and religion in Jerusalem: a city sacred to half the people on earth; fought over more than any other place in history; conquered and destroyed, rebuilt and reinvented repeatedly for over 5,000 years. This is a family friendly film, a dazzling visual journey for older children and adults.

Dr. Jodi Magness is one of the film's scientific stars. She holds a senior endowed chair in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: and is the Kenan Distinguished Professor for Teaching Excellence in Early Judaism (since 2002). She graduated from Hebrew University and holds a doctorate in archeology from the University of Pennsylvania. We had an opportunity to chat with Dr. Magness and learn more about archeologists and her current dig in Israel.

How long have you been interested in archeology?
The answer...since she was 12. Her 7th grade teacher taught world history and the history of Ancient Greece. And that was where her passion was born. Archeology takes patience and passion. Digs are a lengthy process.

Late Roman Cooking pot (4th century CE) from Yotvata, a fort in the southern Arava

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