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Heba Abd el Gawad is a research fellow at the Institute of Archaeology, University College of London. She specializes in the history of Egyptian archaeology and Egyptian perceptions and representations of ancient Egypt and has co-developed with Prof. Alice Stevenson the AHRC funded project: 'Egypt's Dispersed Heritage: Views from Egypt'. She has led various curatorial roles in Egypt and the UK and has been selected as one of the most influential 21 Egyptian women in 2021 for her community work in the heritage sector. She acknowledges her privilege and training in the colonial discipline of Egyptology and recognizes the rights of the wider Egyptian community in the knowledge production of their past and heritage.

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Oliver Antczak is an anthropologist interested in the heritage and identity relationship, particularly focusing on Indigenous identity in the Southeastern Caribbean. For his B.A. (Leiden University College, 2016) he worked on Margarita, Venezuela. For his MPhil in Heritage Studies (University of Cambridge, 2018) he continued similar work on Bonaire. Since 2019, his PhD at the University of Cambridge (Cambridge Heritage Research Centre) brings the two islands into conversation with Trinidad, researching the impacts of different colonialisms on Indigenous identity and heritage.

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