No one knows exactly how the Ancient Egyptians built the Pyramids over 4,500 years ago. The Great Pyramid of Giza is the oldest of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World and the only one to remain largely intact. At 480 feet in height, it was built following a few centuries of failures and was the tallest structure in the world for almost 4,000 years. However, it is believed that they were built before iron tools or wheels were available for quarrying or dressing stone. With a very large and disciplined workforce that lived on-site, moving blocks of stone weighing several tons without the modern cranes, the Ancient Egyptians were masters of construction management. In this talk, Hassan Latif will provide a unique perspective on the pyramids from their development to present day.

**Bio**

**Hassan Latif** is a Cairo native with a passion for Egyptology and 30 years of experience guiding visitors, lecturing, and tutoring. He also is a private tutor in the ancient Egyptian language and its hieroglyph writing system. From excavation of Pre-Dynastic dig sites to curation at the Egyptian Museum, few have more first-hand experience in Egyptology than Latif. He specializes in leading tour groups from American universities, including recent groups traveling with the OSU Alumni Association.

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