

Appendix: A Selection of News Articles on the Destruction of Cultural Heritage in the Middle East

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To spur further reading and reflection, we have compiled a list of online resources and news articles about the destruction of cultural heritage in the Middle East from 2001 to 2016 in reverse chronological order:

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The Destruction of Cultural Heritage: From Napoléon to ISIS

- An up-to-date perspective on the state of cultural heritage in Syria and northern Iraq from the ASOR Cultural Heritage Initiatives website:
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<http://www.straitstimes.com/world/europe/swiss-seize-artefacts-looted-from-syrias-palmyra-stashed-at-free-ports>
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<http://www.libyaobserver.ly/culture/swiss-prosecutor-office-confiscates-artifacts-stolen-libya>
- ISIS transferred original monuments abroad, destroyed fake ones in Mosul video:
<https://www.rt.com/news/240801-isis-destroy-statues-fake/>
- How NGOs are helping preserve Syria's heritage:
<http://www.al-monitor.com/pulse/originals/2016/11/syria-heritage-destruction-sites-protection.html>
- Iraq's ancient Nimrud recaptured but heavily damaged: <http://www.al-monitor.com/pulse/afp/2016/11/iraq-conflict-nimrud-mosul.html>
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<http://theartnewspaper.com/news/modern-day-monuments-men-wanted-by-the-british-army/>
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<https://globalvoices.org/2016/11/17/the-uphill-battle-of-protecting-syrian-antiquities-amidst-war/>
- Why saving endangered cultural heritage is important for the UAE:
<http://www.thenational.ae/opinion/comment/why-saving-endangered-cultural-heritage-is-important-for-the-uae>
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<http://www.npr.org/sections/parallels/2016/10/10/497350345/monuments-and-artifacts-destroyed-by-isis-rising-from-destruction-in-rome>
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[east/isis-artist-teenager-sculpts-artefacts-destroyed-militants-iraq-syria-a7423391.html](http://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle-east/isis-artist-teenager-sculpts-artefacts-destroyed-militants-iraq-syria-a7423391.html)

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<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/jonathanjonesblog/2016/nov/14/nimrud-isis-art-destruction>
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<http://www.independent.co.uk/voices/isis-profits-from-destruction-of-antiquities-by-selling-relics-to-dealers-and-then-blowing-up-the-10483421.html>
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