



ALKHATOU MISS BELL 1868-1926

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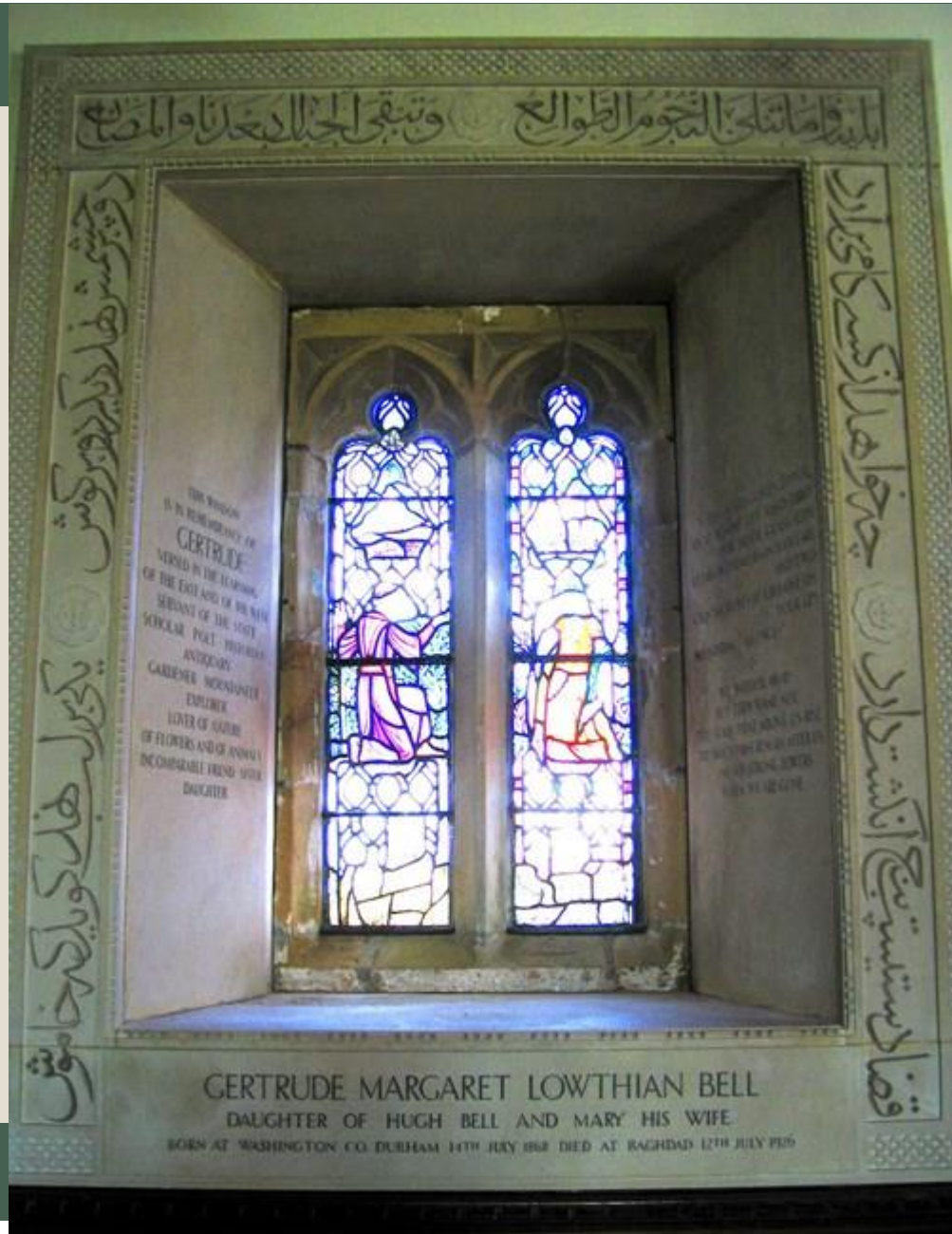
Quiz

- Take a deep look at this beautiful Stain Glass
- What do you see?
- Do you know who made this Stain Glass?
- Do you have an idea about location?
- To whom was dedicated?



Answer

- Magdalen College - Oxford, Kadima Shrine Baghdad, Gertrudspitze - Swiss Alps, Arabian Princess
- Artist - Douglas Strachan
- Location - Church of St Lawrence in East Rounton – North Yorkshire
- Dedicated to - Gertrude Bell



Gertrude Margaret
Lowthian Bell

Born

14 July 1868
Washington New Hall,
[County Durham](#),
England

Died

12 July 1926 (aged 57)
[Baghdad](#), [Mandatory Iraq](#)

Nationality

[British](#)

Education

[Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford](#)

Occupation

Traveller, political
officer

Era

Victorian, Edwardian –
1900s

Known for

Writer, traveller,
political officer,
archaeologist,
explorer, cartographer
in [Greater Syria](#),
Mesopotamia, Asia
Minor, and Arabia

Parent(s)

[Sir Hugh Bell](#)

Who's Miss Bell "Al-khatoun"?

- Born to a wealthy family
- Grandfather was the ironmaster Sir Isaac Lowthian Bell, an industrialist and a Liberal Member of Parliament
- Gertrude Bell received her early education from Queen's College in London and then later at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University, at the age of 17
- Traveler – Iran (1892), Syria, Iraq, Palestine, Arabia
- Explorer
- Alpine Mountaineer
- Writer (Translate Hafez poet)
- Political Officer (Oriental office)
- Political influencer in daily Iraqi life
- Archeologist
- Established the "Iraqi museum" and Iraqi state
- Led a committee to design "Iraqi kingdom Coat of Arms"





End of a Journey

- Died – July 12, 1962
- Overdoes of sleeping pills
- GPS Coordinate Lat=33deg 19' 51.27" N. and Log=44deg 25' 04.56" E
- Left 50,000 pounds in to Iraqi Antiquity Museum
- Forgotten bronze bust of Miss Bell waits to be dusted off and put on display.



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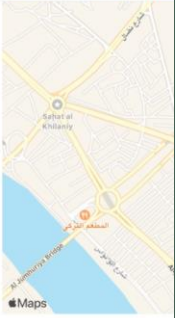
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USEFUL LINKS

1. Letters from Baghdad - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b095vnm7>
2. Newcastle University's Robinson library – Online Letters, photos
3. Gertrude Bell letters Volume 1 & 2 – if you're interested send me email to ralsaffar62@gmail.com
4. <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/19726067/gertrude-bell/photo>

