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“Giorgio Buccellati and Marilyn Kelly-Buccellati awarded with the Balzan Prize”



The archaeologists Giorgio Buccellati and Marilyn Kelly[-Buccellati] received the “2021 Balzan Prize for Art and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East:” their research has brought to light the ancient city of Urkesh in Syria, forgotten for more than 3000 years. Why are we talking about it here? Because the “Associazione per la Valorizzazione dell’Archeologia e della Storia Antica” [“Association for Furthering Value Archaeology and Ancient History”] (AVASA), founded by them in 2016, is based in Baceno, in the Pioda hamlet, and the two scholars have been at home in Ossola for years. Specifically from the State middle-school in Domodossola, in 2017, they started a great educational project that put the very young Italian students in direct communication with their peers from a Syrian school, in Qamishli.