

Position Statement

The Shroud of Turin is the most analyzed artifact in history yet remains the world's greatest unsolved mystery.

SHROUD ENCOUNTER is a high speed visual journey through science and history peeling back each layer of mystery like a **CSI Investigation**. Both sides of the authenticity debate are discussed.

Regarding Religious Affiliation

Russ Breault is both Founder and President of The Shroud of Turin Education Project, Inc. (STEP). The mission of the project is: *To advance the knowledge of the Shroud to a new generation.* STEP claims no religious affiliation.

With regard to speaking at secular institutions, the emphasis is not to promote a religious view but rather to explore an intriguing mystery. No claim of authenticity can be made. Like a jury in a trial, the audience must come to their own conclusions as both sides of the debate are covered.

With regard to speaking at religious institutions, the approach is ecumenical and well received by Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox audiences.

It is vital to the mission of STEP that an objective non-sectarian approach be vigilantly maintained. Therefore, as President, Russ Breault will make no personal statement regarding religious affiliation. The long list of references representing Catholic, Protestant, and secular sponsors demonstrate his objective and comprehensive approach to the subject. (see "References" at www.ShroudEncounter.com)