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**Welcome**

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**Reception**

First Floor Atrium

Watermark: close up of Alexander and Bucephalus from the mosaic of the battle of Issus from the Museo Nazionale, Naples, Italy.

*Peter Green*

Peter Green was born in London in 1924 and educated at Charterhouse School, served in Burma during WWII, and completed his education at Trinity College Cambridge, where he earned his BA (Class I in both parts of the Classical Tripos, Craven Scholar and Student) in 1950, and his MA and Ph.D. in 1954. While working on his Ph.D. he served as a college director of studies in classics.

He spent the decade from 1953 to 1963 as a London literary journalist for *The Daily Telegraph* and consulting editor to two leading publishers. From 1963 till 1971 he lived and worked in Greece as an independent scholar, translator, and novelist, first on Lesbos and then in Athens, where he also returned to university teaching.

From 1971 until 1997 he was a professor of classics in the University of Texas at Austin, from 1983 as Dougherty Centennial Professor (now Emeritus). He is currently an adjunct professor and editor of *Syllecta Classica* at the University of Iowa, where his wife is also a professor.

He has published over thirty books, mostly on ancient history including a major study of Alexander, but also including the standard life of Kenneth Grahame, author of *The Wind in the Willows*.

He is the 2004 King Charles II Distinguished Professor of Classics and Ancient History at East Carolina University.