

# Mosaic depicting human skeleton and inscription



## Subject

Mosaic depicting a human skeleton pointing at the words 'ΓΝΩΘΙ ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ' ('know yourself'): exhortation to know the limits of human nature and to enjoy life's joys. It decorated the floor of a tomb on the Via Appia.

Accession number 1025  
2nd century A.D.

## Provenance

Near Santa Maria Nova

## Placement

[Museo Nazionale Romano](#)

## Credits

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