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MALEDICTION STORIES IN LATE MALMUK EGYPT



A public lecture by

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Thursday, September 28

3:30 pm

Washington Hall 315

The rich hagiographic narratives of late medieval Egypt revisit the age-old tension between saints and scholars. Malediction and the power to curse becomes the secret weapon with which the saint proactively fights for knowledge only he can impart.