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THE COMMEMORATION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY *A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE*

*Please join the Tufts community in honoring and recognizing the victims of the
Armenian Genocide.*

**Thursday, April 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.
Goddard Chapel, Tufts University**

FEATURING THE LECTURE

MEDIEVAL TRADITIONS OF COMMEMORATION

by Dr. Helen C. Evans

Mary and Michael Jaharis Curator for Byzantine Art, Metropolitan Museum of Art

In the wake of the successful exhibit *Armenia!* Dr. Helen C. Evans, Mary and Michael Jaharis Curator for Byzantine Art at The Metropolitan Museum of Art will speak at Tufts on the Armenian belief in the power of memory using works recently on display in the *Armenia!* exhibition at The Met. Medieval monuments offer exceptional testimony to a long tradition of commemoration through colophons in manuscripts and inscriptions on church facades, reliquary containers, textiles, and doors. Commemorative art has preserved memory, cultural tradition, and identity for the Armenians through wars, invasions, and displacement.

Dr. Helen C. Evans was the curator of the acclaimed exhibition *Armenia!* at the Met. Previously she co-curated the Morgan Library and Museum's 1994 exhibition, *Treasures in Heaven: Armenian Illuminated Manuscripts*. At the Metropolitan Museum, she curated *The Glory of Byzantium (843-1261)* in 1997, *Byzantium: Faith and Power (1261-1557)* in 2004, and *Byzantium and Islam: Age of Transition (7th-9th century)* in 2012. His Holiness Karekin II, Catholicos of All Armenians, presented her with the Order of Saint Sahak-Saint Mesrop at the opening of the exhibition *Armenia!* and the Prelacy of the Great House of Cilicia has presented her with the Mesrop Mashtots and Queen Zabel awards and most recently with the "Spirit of Armenia" for *Armenia!*

**Reception immediately following the commemoration in the Coolidge
Room, Ballou Hall. Parking is available in the Dowling Garage at 419
Boston Avenue and in designated on-street areas.**