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TOLEDOT YESHU
("The Life of Jesus")
AMONG THE JEWS
OF MEDIEVAL
ISLAMIC LANDS

A LECTURE WITH
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Monday, September 23, 4:00pm

**Harvard Semitic Museum, Room 201
6 Divinity Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138**

This talk will explore the astonishing popularity of Toledot Yeshu—a parody of the life of Jesus, first attested in Late Antiquity in Aramaic—among the Arabic-speaking Jews of the medieval Islamic world. Presenting Toledot Yeshu as a product of medieval Judeo-Arabic literature and as a Jewish narrative shared and exchanged between the Near East, the Mediterranean and Europe, it will illuminate sustained Jewish interest in the work for more than a millennium and a half in the Near East, as well as the significance of this enduring appeal for understanding Jewish-Christian-Muslim relations in the Islamic milieu.

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