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## **Conscripting Bodies, Constructing Authority: The** Museum of the Bible on the National Mall

Thursday, February 13 4:00PM - 5:30PM Royce 306

The Museum of the Bible on D.C.'s national mall was founded and funded by the billionaire owners of Hobby Lobby. From the start, the museum has been controversial in the national press and in the field of biblical studies. Through a close examination of the museum's exhibits and its collection of archaeological and historical objects. biblical scholar Jill Hicks-Keeton will discuss whose Bible is represented, whose bodies are conscripted into its narrative, and why it matters.

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