

“Religion and History on the China-Tibetan Plateau: 1928-2008”

A Documentary Film and Discussion with

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McLaren Hall, 252 5:30-6:45 p.m.

Sometimes called “the roof of Asia,” the Tibetan plateau is today of strategic importance to China for its strategic mineral and hydroelectric resources. The film will present a social, religious, and cultural history of the region from 1928 to the present day. Beginning with historical archives from the explorations of J.E. Rock, conducted in the 1920s, physical comparisons between past and present locations will be highlighted. A discussion will follow excerpts from the film.



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