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Books, Beasts, and the History of the World

a Lecture by

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This lecture is taken from Holsinger’s book in progress, “Archive of the Animal: Science, Sacrifice, and the Parchment Inheritance.” He will discuss his work on the parchment heritage from a number of critical angles: theological, poetic, zooarchaeological, and ethical.

Bruce Holsinger is an award-winning literary scholar and historical novelist who teaches at the University of Virginia. His academic books have garnered major awards from the Modern Language Association, the American Musicological Society, and the Medieval Academy of America. His scholarly work has been recognized with fellowships from the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the American Council of Learned Societies. His debut novel, A Burnable Book (HarperCollins), won the Fisher Prize and was named one of the best crime novels of 2014 by the American Library Association. His most recent novel, The Invention of Fire, imagines the beginnings of gun violence in the Western world.