



# Tracing Maimonides in Material Culture:

## His Impact and Reception Over Eight Centuries

A SPECIAL LECTURE BY DAVID SCLAR

Among the intellectual luminaries dotting the millennia of Jewish history, none shines brighter than **Moses Maimonides** (1138–1204). This lecture will explore aspects of his impact and influence through a study of materiality, specifically the production and dissemination of textual objects. It will combine intellectual, reception, and book historical research to offer a perspective on reading, writing, study, and developments therein from the medieval period until contemporary times.



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