Professors Hildegard Keller and Rosemarie McGerr and Jim Canary, Head of Conservation, will inaugurate the new series with an informal presentation and discussion about their upcoming spring 2016 Lilly Library exhibition,

**THE PERFORMATIVE BOOK**
AGENT OF CREATIVITY FROM MEDIEVAL EUROPE TO THE AMERICAS

What is a performative book? What notions of performativity can be discovered this coming spring? The exhibition celebrates the medieval book, the transition to print that fostered the explorations of the Americas, and modern works that rediscover medieval texts as sources of artistic inspiration.

Rosemarie McGerr and Hildegard Keller will discuss their ideas for the exhibition, their concept and their plans for events that they hope will appeal to students, faculty, and the wider community. With three decades of experience, Jim Canary, Head of Conservation, is the best person to tell us about what is going on behind the scenes until we see the Lilly Library’s gems on display.

26 October • 4 pm • Slocum Puzzle Room • Lilly Library
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