

The English Department's Close Reading Series Presents:

Dr. Felicia Jean Steele's talk on

Aemilia Lanyer's *Salve Deus Rex Judaeorum*

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

12:30-1:50pm

Education Room 113



"Aemilia Lanyer, often speculated to be Shakespeare's "Dark Lady," was one of the first Early Modern women to publish a volume of poetry under her own name for public consumption. *Salve Deus Rex Judaeorum* is a religious poem that narrates the Passion, but the dedicatory verses to Queen Anne and her court construct a complicated picture of women as readers and artistic patrons. Rarely anthologized, these verses are as beautiful and provocative as the more familiar pieces of the volume."