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Galileo's Middle Finger

Why Social Progress Depends On Academic Freedom

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Regents Hall MPR

4:00 – 5:30 P.M.

Refreshments will be served

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Alice Dreger is a historian of medicine and science, a sex researcher, a mainstream writer, and an (im)patient advocate. An award-winning scholar and writer, Dreger's most recent book is *Galileo's Middle Finger: Heretics, Activists, and the Search for Justice in Science*, which argues that the pursuit of evidence is the most important ethical imperative of our time. Funded by a Guggenheim Fellowship and published by Penguin Press in 2015, the book has been praised in reviews, including in *The New Yorker*, *Nature*, and *Salon*. It was named an "Editor's Choice" by *The New York Times Book Review*, where Dreger was labeled "a sharp, disruptive scholar." *The Chronicle of Higher Education* has called her a "star scholar" and describes her writing as "reliably funny and passionate and vulnerable."



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