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“Animals made us human”
Ecological and social perspectives on domestication

Tuesday March 3, 5:30-6:30 pm
Glenn Black Laboratory auditorium
423 N. Fess St.
(followed by a reception)

Professor Marshall is an archaeologist and authority on animal domestication and ancient pastoralism in Africa. A fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, she is currently working on the domestication of donkeys in Africa and cats in China. Her research investigates the beginnings of agriculture in Africa and the development of mobile pastoral responses to climatic uncertainty, as well as the long-term effects of cattle pastoralism on African savannas. Her research and that of her graduate students contributes to understanding human-animal relations, complex interactions among ancient agricultural, pastoral and hunter-gatherer societies in Africa, the history and resilience of livestock and herding ways of life, and the sustainability of the use of African grasslands.

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