

An evening with...

Dr. Liam Brockey

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and Consultant on the film *Silence*

with an introduction by Dr. John Cappucci, University of Windsor



THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017

AT 6:00 P.M.

**Toldo Health Education Centre,
Room 100**

Free Event. Everyone welcome.

Discussion and Refreshments to follow.

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“Books of Martyrs: Dying for the Faith in Japan, 1597-1650”

This presentation will analyze the cult of martyrs during the early modern period, with special focus on the martyrs of Japan in the first half of the seventeenth century. Considering first the longevity of the cult within Western Christianity, Professor Brockey will discuss its resurgence in the context of post-Reformation missionary work. Focusing on the brutal persecutions in Japan after 1597, he will examine the ways in which martyrs were commemorated in Europe, whether in print or in paint, and how devotion to martyrs inspired contemporaries to travel to Japan for the purpose of obtaining martyrdom.

The talk will also include a discussion of the film, *Silence*, on which Professor Brockey served as a historical consultant.