

The Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies
and the Crusade Studies Forum present:

THE TUNIS CRUSADE OF 1270

A MEDITERRANEAN HISTORY



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Boileau Hall
Reception to Follow



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