Tamar Herzig will speak about

**Women, Mysticism, and Reform Movements in Renaissance Italy**

Abstract:
This lecture will tackle the phenomenon of saintly women mystics in Renaissance Italy, who were widely revered for their identification with the suffering of Jesus to such an extent that they reportedly became one with Him, virtually turning into reincarnated Christs. Prof. Herzig will show how the supporters of Dominican holy women affiliated with reformist currents from the fourteenth to the sixteenth century hailed them as "female Christs," and chart the ways in which these women mystics challenged deeply-entrenched gendered presumptions concerning the triune Christian God.

The lecture will take place on

**Wednesday, January 23rd, 2019 at 6 pm c.t., Cas. 1.801 (Renate von Metzler Hall), Campus Westend**