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~~~~~SPECIAL EVENT~~~~~

## Meet the Speaker Series



Dr. Anne Schiller will speak on

### SAVING SAN LORENZO

Work, Identity, and Social Change in a  
Florentine Neighborhood

Date: Monday, April 13, 2015

Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Place: Arlington Central Library

Florence, Italy is near the top of most lists of the most desirable cities in the world to visit. In addition to taking in museums and churches, many travelers make a point to go shopping in Florence's San Lorenzo Market. For most foreign visitors, San Lorenzo epitomizes an "Italian market." For many Florentines, the identity of this marketplace is more ambiguous. Whereas in former times the majority of San Lorenzo vendors were Italians, immigration has transformed the market workforce and Italians are now the minority. This presentation, based on anthropological field research, addresses how globalization and the transnational movement of people have affected identity and heritage in this market.

**About the Presenter:** Dr. Anne Schiller is Professor of Anthropology at George Mason University. Her latest book, *Merchants in the City of Art: Work, Identity, and Change in a Florentine Neighborhood*, is forthcoming in Spring, 2016.

**Registration:** No registration required. This event is free and all are welcome.

**Directions:** The Arlington Central Library is located at 1015 N. Quincy Street between Washington Boulevard and Fairfax Drive. Parking is free at the Library or take Metro to Virginia Square on the Orange line.

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