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She will give an hour-long presentation and then be available from 4-5 pm for Q&A and discussion of her presentation or other work.

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