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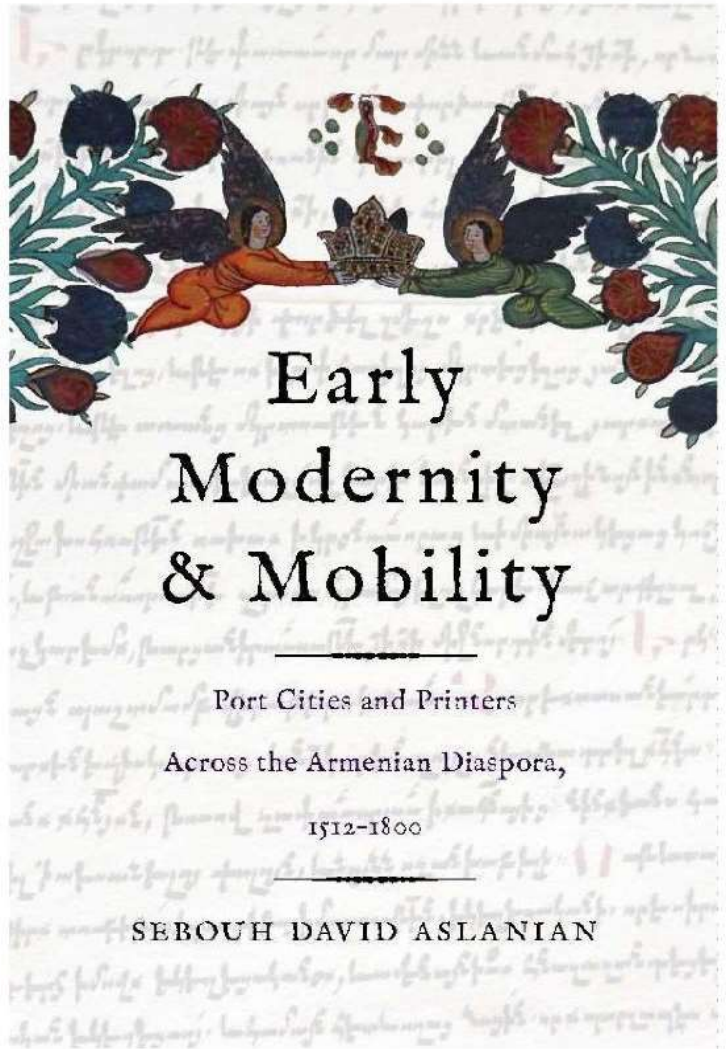
A History of the Armenian Print Tradition in the Early Modern Period

Wednesday, 8 Nov. 2023
12pm-1:30pm

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Linking far-flung locations in Amsterdam, Livorno, Marseille, Saint Petersburg, and Astrakhan to New Julfa, Madras, and Calcutta, Armenian presses published a thousand editions with more than half a million printed volumes in Armenian script. Drawing on extensive archival research, Sebouh Aslanian explores why certain books were published at certain times, how books were sold across the diaspora, who read them, and how the printed word helped fashion a new collective identity for early modern Armenians.



Sebouh David Aslanian is professor and Richard Hovannisian Endowed Chair in Modern Armenian History at UCLA.

This talk is based on his recently-published book *Early Modernity and Mobility: Port Cities and Printers across the Armenian Diaspora, 1512-1800* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2023).

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