

Arctic Speaker Series

Donald B. MacMillan in The Changing Arctic

Speaker:Genevieve
LeMoine

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2020 Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm Mountain Time Location:
LiveStream on YouTube



Unidentified photographer,

Donald MacMillan and Sledge Dog, 1908-1909.

Scan from hand-tinted glass lantern slide. Gift of Donald and Miriam MacMillan.

Donald B. MacMillan was a key figure in American Arctic exploration and research in the first half of the twentieth century, widely recognized for his participation in Robert E. Peary's North Pole Expedition of 1908-09, his leadership of the four year Crocker Land Expedition, and his overwintering expeditions to Labrador, Baffin Island, and northern Greenland with his schooner Bowdoin. Over nearly five decades he witnessed the transformation of Arctic science and Indigenous communities, bridging the end of the era of geographic exploration exemplified by Peary and the growth of modern scientific research in the north during and after WWII. His archive of still and motion picture images from those years holds a

valuable record of the changes he observed, particularly for the Indigenous communities he visited and revisited.

Biography: Genevieve LeMoine is Curator and Registrar at the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum & Arctic Studies Center at Bowdoin College. She has conducted archaeological research on a variety of prehistoric and historic sites in the Canadian Arctic and Greenland, since receiving her PhD from the Department of Archaeology at the University of Calgary in 1991.

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