

**SOUTH SUBURBAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY**  
PRESENTS A *FREE* ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

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**ENGAGING HISTORY:  
THE ATHENIAN AGORA MUSEUM  
IN THE STOA OF ATTALOS**

When the excavators of the Athenian Agora were unable to find a location for an on-site museum to hold the material they were uncovering, a radical solution was proposed: reconstruct one of the ancient buildings on its foundations. Today, the Stoa of Attalos not only provides ample space for storage, research, and the display of objects, but also allows the visitor to experience the function and form of this common type of ancient public building. The highlights of the museum collection are the unique objects illustrating civic life and the



*The Stoa of Attalos*



institutions of the Athenian democracy. The history of the city from the Neolithic to Byzantine periods is told through burial gifts, domestic decoration, and marble portraits.

Laura Gawlinski's publications and teaching focus on Greek religion and sacred space, classical archaeology, and Greek inscriptions. She began working in Greece at the excavations of the Athenian Agora as a student in 1995 and is now a senior field supervisor. She wrote the most recent edition of the guidebook to its museum, published in 2014.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017, AT 7:30 PM**

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