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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Northern Arizona University Special Collections Librarian Richard Quartaroli will deliver an address at Illinois Wesleyan University titled “John Wesley Powell's Surveys of the Greater Grand Canyon Region: Prelude to a Practical Environmentalist,” about famed North American explorer and former Illinois Wesleyan faculty member John Wesley Powell.

Sponsored by the Ames Library, the Illinois Wesleyan Department of History, and the Department of Environmental Studies, the event will take place on Monday, Jan. 28 at 4 p.m. in Beckman Auditorium of the Ames Library (1 Ames Plaza, Bloomington).

The event is free and open to the public.

Quartaroli, who is currently working on a book about John Wesley Powell’s cartography, will present a program on John Wesley Powell's surveys of the Colorado River region and his views on water management in the arid West. Powell is known for his "Report on the Arid Lands," in which he proposed a more pragmatic approach to land use and water management in the dry lands of the American West. Powell, who taught science at IWU after the Civil War, began his explorations in the western United States in 1867, including the first river trip on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon in 1869.

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