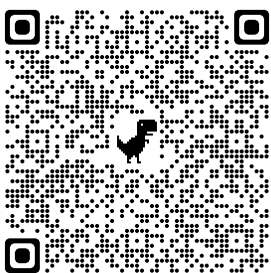# 2023 John Gee Memorial Lecture

*Before* Algorithmic Armageddon: The Immediate Risks of AI in War



In this lecture, Professor Toni Erskine will argue that we are overlooking grave risks that accompany our increasing reliance on AI in war.

A neglected danger that AI-enabled weapons and decision-support systems pose is that they change how *we* (as citizens, soldiers, and states) deliberate, how *we* act, and how *we* view ourselves as responsible agents. This could have profound ethical, political, and even geo-political implications –well before AI evolves to a point where some fear that it could initiate algorithmic Armageddon.

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**Details**
Tues 28 November 2023
6-7 pm, Lecture Theatre 1, Hedley Bull Building, ANU

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