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Talk 5: **Prof. Christina Wasson**

Department of Anthropology,
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Title: Anthropology of Technology: The Participatory
Design of a Community-Based Archive.

Abstract:

This presentation will describe an online archive that is being developed by and for the Dimasa and Bodo communities. The archive uses Mukurtu, a free and open source platform designed for Indigenous cultural and linguistic heritage. I will show how my contribution to the archive is situated in the anthropology of technology and participatory design. I will also describe a model created by my students that offers a potential vision for how individuals and organizations might interact with the archive. Drawing on the perspective of participatory design, my students asked: how might a technology – in this case an archive – become embedded in the life of a community?

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