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Abstract:

The respected art historian Stanley O'Connor Clark noted that, in Southeast Asia, art is inherently linked to everyday life and experience, which were, in the 20th century, played out in the village. In fact, 'the village', where people live in close constellation with each other, local deities, animals and the landscape, is, in Vietnam, regarded as the heart of life. Much Vietnamese modern art epitomises this connection, and rural identity continues to be an important topic in contemporary Vietnamese art.

Thus, in contrast to the West, where modernity is often regarded as an urban phenomenon, this talk will explore how Vietnamese artistic modernism draws on village life. It will investigate how vernacular traditions have informed modern and contemporary art in Vietnam, and also how these artworks have, in turn, shaped Vietnamese identity.

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