

## Hans Kilian Lecture

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### Adam in Kashmir Paradise, Disobedience, and the Forbidden Fruit

The allusion to Kashmir as "Paradise on Earth" within Indian statist discourses recalls a long history of the portrayal of Kashmir's beautiful landscape and a simultaneous invisibilizing of its people and their struggles within precolonial and colonial art and literature.

Nazia Amin will discuss how a particular Kashmiri narrative subverts such a depoliticized idea of Kashmir as Paradise by presenting the Quranic myth of Adam's disobedience of God as a political allegory of the Kashmiri resistance. She offers a critical reading of this allegory by drawing upon two divergent thinkers, Muhammad Iqbal and Sigmund Freud.

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