Public Lecture & Roundtable Discussion

The Chinese Blue Maps: Heaven and Earth in the Early Nineteenth Century



Speaker & Roundtable Participant

Prof. Elke Papelitzky

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In the early nineteenth century, artisans and scholars from Suzhou created a pair of maps of the night sky and of the Qing empire printed in blue. Professor Papelitzky will tell us about how these maps embed the Qing empire into the world beyond and connect it to the heavens.



Roundtable Facilitator

Prof. John Wong

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Roundtable Participant

Prof. Paola Calanca

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4:30-5:30pm

Room 4.36, 4/F,
Run Run Shaw Tower,
The University of Hong Kong

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