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Re: Q: Collections of Chinese Cultural Revolution

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"I am currently researching material relating to the Cultural Revolution (1966-1976) [...]"

Re:Q: Dr. Stephan v. d. Schulenburg Curator East Asian and Islamic Art Department, Frankfurt:

Dear Amy,

until October 29th, 2006, there is an exhibition at our museum entitled "The Souvenir. Memory in Objects from the Relic to the Memento". In this show there is a section entitled "Souvenirs de l'Est" with a chapter on Mao. This includes a number of porcelain plates, textile prints, etc. as well as Mao memorial souvenirs from the 1990ies to the present day, including the latest propaganda DVDs on Mao's life and a few more or less satirical comments of contemporary Chinese artists on Mao and the revolution kitsch. A larger part of the Cultural Revolution Period exhibits was given to us as a loan by Barbara Mittler/Professor of Sinology, Heidelberg University (she works on the trauma of the cultural revolution in modern China). You may also contact Dr. Adele Schlombs/Director of the Museum of East Asian Art Cologne who has some interesting material from Cultural Revolution China. For our Frankfurt exhibition there is a catalogue (30 euro), with some remarks I wrote on the Mao issue, but all in German.

All the best Stephan

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