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Postcolonial theory and medieval art: heretical approaches to an orthodox discipline

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One of the topics discussed at the 2008 IMC roundtable on postcolonial theory and medieval art was the continued dominance of orthodox constructions of disciplinarity, periodization and methodology in the study of medieval art. Medieval art, especially early medieval art, remains a passive other in terms of its chronological boundaries, its subject matter, and its continued reliance on iconographic and stylistic study. This session seeks papers that use postcolonial theory to intervene in our construction of the medieval past and our understanding of medieval images. We welcome papers that focus on particular case studies, as well as papers that interrogate aspects of the discipline.

If you are interested in giving a paper please send me your title and a brief abstract (no more than a paragraph), by 20 September.

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