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Das Institut für Assyriologie und Hethitologie und die Graduate School Distant Worlds laden herzlich ein zum Vortrag von

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zum Thema

## Vicious Vision: Anger, Envy, and the Evil Eye in Mesopotamia



The evil eye, a malevolent gaze that harms its object, has been a subject of fascination to Assyriologists since the early days of the field. The evil eye, however, represents only a small percentage of the many types of spiteful, malicious, and even dangerous visual acts that are represented in Mesopotamian literature.

Grounded in a survey of instances of vision verbs in the Mesopotamian literary corpus, this lecture will give an overview of the dark side of vision in Mesopotamia, addressing the striking differences in the ways that gods and human beings express malice through the faculty of vision and examining the role of malevolent gaze as a source of human misfortune.

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