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organises

an International Conference on

Reflections on the Rāmāyaṇa

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The Rāmāyaṇa has captured the imagination of people across the sub-continent and journeyed to distant shores from ancient times, taking on local forms in text as well as art and performance. This conference explores these narratives as they have evolved in local cultures, leading to variations in plots, characterisation that reflect the different emphases and concerns of the receiving cultures.



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