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BOOK LAUNCH: SPATIOTEMPORAL POLITICS IN CONTEMPORARY IRAN. DYNAMICS OF MEMORY, AGENCY, AND RITUAL AMONG THE GRADUATES OF ISLAMIC SCHOOLS

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In contemporary Iran, commemorative rituals both foster social bonds and serve as contested spaces where state and society negotiate power. This dissertation examines the tensions between official representations of the past and individual memories through the lens of competing worldviews.

Focusing on a generation raised in deeply religious environments after the 1979 Revolution, it explores how the Iranian state promotes its Shi'i Weltanschauung and how young people interpret, experience, and remember these narratives. Drawing on grounded theory and qualitative interviews, the study highlights divergences between official discourse and personal memories, showing how generational narratives can challenge, reshape, or reinforce the state's hegemonic Shi'a vision.

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