Five Features of Korean Three Kingdoms Period Architecture and How They Relate to China

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Nancy Steinhardt, Professor of East Asian Art at the University of Pennsylvania, will give a talk exploring six structures or structural types that dominated Korean architecture in the fifth and sixth centuries: brick layering in Paekche tombs, octagonal buildings in Koguryo and Silla, the inter-relationship of temples and tombs, twin structures in Koguryo and Silla, and octagonal ceilings in Koguryo tombs. Relying on the most recent archaeological evidence, the talk investigates the geographic extent of each form in one of the Korean kingdoms, across kingdoms, and in China and Japan. The conclusion will address the legacy of Three Kingdoms-period architecture in Northeast Asia in the eleventh century.

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