



2023 November 10, 16:30-18:00

## Workshop:

## **Rethinking Contemporary Shinto**



"Remote Ritual: Shinto Practice and Technology in a Pandemic World"

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"Vanishing Shinto Temporalities in Underpopulated Areas"

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This event will be in person only (no registration necessary)