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**The Art of Medieval Russia and the Byzantine world
in the second half of the 14th and the first half of the 15th century:
interaction and formation of local features**

10-11 November 2026

The agenda of the Conference encompasses a wide range of issues related to the history of art in the Byzantine sphere during the second half of the 14th century and the first half of the 15th century—a period marked by political and cultural turbulence within the Orthodox world during the last century of the Empire's existence. In Russia it was the time of Moscow's rise and the struggle for liberation from the Mongol yoke. The conference aims to explore various works of art and artistic phenomena which can illustrate both general and local trends in the development of visual and applied arts as well as architecture of this era.

Proposed themes for consideration are as follows:

- Identifying peculiarities of the evolution of style and imagery in specific art forms of the second half of the 14th – first half of the 15th centuries, and the degree of its consistency across various regions of the Eastern Christian world;
- Determining the scale and nature of the influence of European and Byzantine art on the artistic life of Medieval Rus during the period under consideration;
- Peculiarities of historical and cultural processes and spiritual guidelines that stimulated the stylistic "shifts" which occurred during this period across the vast territory of the Byzantine world;
- Identifying the role of local traditions in the development of various types of art;
- Critical examination of the established attributions of monuments of medieval Rus and Byzantine works of art that relate to the key stage in the formation of Russian national culture.

The Conference will be held on 10–11 November 2026, in the State Institute for Art Studies (Kozitsky Lane 5, Moscow), in person and online.

Languages of presentation: Russian, English

The presentation time is **20 minutes**.

A collection of articles will be published based on the Conference reports.

Applications for participation in the Conference are accepted **until September 10, 2026**.

Applications are expected to the following information in Russian and in English:

- full name;
- academic degree and title;
- place of work (study), position;
- e-mail;
- phone number;
- topic of the presentation;
- participation format (offline or online)

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