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左思《詠史》研究新視角 New Perspectives of Studies on Zuo Si's "Poems on History"

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Abstract:

西晉左思的《詠史》八首作為詠史詩的代表作被歷代學者所關注。目前學界對於左思《詠史》的研究主要集中在兩個方面:一是將其放置在詠史詩類的發展脈絡中,指出其借詠史以詠懷,打破了以班固《詠史》為代表的史傳型詠史;二是將《詠史》置於六朝詩歌的發展中,指出其質樸、豪邁的風格和語言與陸機、潘岳主導的繁複、綺麗詩風迥異。左思風力更是影響了後代很多作家,包括陶淵明、鮑照、李白等人。左思的《詠史》除了載史、抒情以外,還有什麼功用與目的?左思"記憶"歷史人物的方法和手段有哪些?左思在"接受"歷史人物的過程中側重哪些特點,又有哪些改變,他所塑造的歷史人物如何影響後代文人的創作?本講座從文化記憶與接受美學的角度,深入歷史典籍、中古文學文本、社會政治環境與哲學的發展,來聚焦歷史在詩歌中的呈現,給《詠史》的解讀帶來新的視角和方法。

Zuo Si's (ca. 250–305) "Poems on History" ("Yongshi") have often been regarded as a milestone in the development of the *yongshi* subgenre of Chinese poetry. Scholars have noted Zuo's poems break from the *yongshi* norms, which usually mimic historical narration and conclude with a moral assessment; instead, they articulate his personal emotions and ambitions to criticize his contemporary political hierarchy. Scholars have also recognized Zuo's poems as representing an alternative to the ornamental style of poetry popular in his time. To deepen the extant research, this talk will re-interpret these poems using the perspectives of cultural memory and reception studies to answer some key questions: Aside from praising historical figures and articulating his emotions, what other purposes does Zuo Si aim to achieve? What approaches does he adopt to deal with historical figures? Why does he choose to retain certain details and omit others, and consequently how do these adaptations influence later writings? This talk reveals the complexity of Zuo's appropriation of earlier cultural sources, and broadens our understanding both of the significance of his "Yongshi" and how history is disseminated through poetry.

Bio:

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