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An International Conference on *Shang and Early Chinese Civilization* (1600-800 BCE)

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This conference brings together 24 renowned scholars from mainland China, Taiwan, Europe, and North America who specializes in various fields related to Xia, Shang and Zhou civilizations (~2000 to 500 BCE). Topics to be addressed include new research results on oracle bone and bronze inscriptions, recent advancements in Shang and Zhou archeology, synthesis of archeological data with textual materials, and the theory of culture formation of Shang and Zhou. Conference speakers will approach these themes from a wide range of disciplines and vantage points, including archeology, paleography, etymology, history, astronomy, and cultural studies.



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