



Royal Divine Coronation Iconography in the Medieval Euro-Mediterranean Area

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In the last decades, art historians have stressed the benefits of analysing medieval images and their figurative contents within their specific context and, in particular, they have underlined the importance of their visual impact to the viewers to determinate their functions and specific meanings. In other words, in the analysis of a Medieval image it has become fundamental to verify where it was collocated and who it was aimed at (and therefore its visibility) and for which practical reasons it was made. This Special Issue of *Arts* would like to deal with this methodology by stimulating the analysis of meaning and function of royal divine coronation scenes in religious and liturgical context in the European and Mediterranean kingdoms in the period from the 12th to the 15th centuries. In other words, area of investigation includes, but it is not limited to, royal divine coronation (or blessing) scene in mosaics, frescos, or paintings placed in cathedrals or monastic churches and illuminations of liturgical texts in European, Eastern European, Balkan, Mediterranean, Caucasian, and Middle Eastern kingdoms and empires.

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