

The Annual Vivekananda Visiting Professor Lecture

The Modern Spirit of Asia: Comparing Indian and Chinese Spiritual Nationalism

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