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Event Religion

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“Event Religion” is a conceptual approach to understanding and examining contemporary (non)religious phenomena. Nowadays, where the traditional and institutional religious forms are fading, the personal and non-institutional approach are increasing. As human relationships with the transcendent weaken within some institutionalized religious settings, individuals seek and find new connections at occasional events.

A festival is considered an event that can be easily reached while giving intense experiences and helping to take a break from everyday life. The research focuses on the questions of what characteristics of a festival can be explained as religious, and what role the community, inward experience, time and space, and symbols play in the event religion experience. Inquiring three Hungarian festivals: Everness (lifestyle-mindfulness festival), Fekete Zaj (metal-rock festival), and Lélek (catholic festival), gives us an insight into this process.

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