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# POSSESSION & PILGRIMAGE

*in Northern India and the Himalayas*



*problem solving*

*spiritual healing*

*spirits*

*deities*

*healing sites*

*religious realization*

*Wachovia Auditorium*  
*Thursday, March 27, 2008*  
*3:15 - 5:00 pm*

Possession has long been one of the most common forms of religious expression in India. This lecture will present a few theoretical views of possession and discuss examples of possession by deities and spirits in India as a form of spiritual healing, of self-empowerment, and of religious realization. It will then discuss how this is accomplished in pilgrimage to Hindu temples in north India and the Himalayas.

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