MODERNISM IN GEORGIA: REDRAWING THE BOUNDARIES
Saturday, 10 April 2010, 10:00am – 7:00pm
1512 International Affairs Building, Columbia University

10:00 - 10:15 Opening Remarks
Catharine Nepomnyashchyy (Barnard College)

10:15 - 10:45 Introduction: “Tiflis of the 1910-1920s, Culture and Art”
Mzia Chikhradze (Visiting Scholar, Harriman Institute)

PANEL 1: Tbilisi Avant-garde Art/Cultural Milieu
Chair: Catharine Nepomnyashchyy (Barnard College)

10:45 - 11:15 “Modernisms, Georgian Modernities”
Harsha Ram (University of California-Berkeley)

11:15 - 11:45 “ILIAZD, from Tiflis to Paris: Bridging Two Sides of Modernism”
Francoise Le-Gris (University of Quebec-Montreal)

11:45 - 12:05 Coffee break

12:05 - 12:30 “Art Nouveau - European Style in Georgia’s Architecture”
Nestan Tatarashvili (Art Nouveau Preservation Group in Georgia)

12:30 - 1:00 “Georgia’s ‘Lost’ Role in the History of ‘Russian’ Ballet”
Catharine Nepomnyashchyy (Barnard College)

1:00 - 1:30 “Galaktion’s One-Hundred and Seventeenth Birthday Feast”
Pamela Renner (Arts Journalist; Empire State College)

1:30 - 3:30 Break

PANEL 2: Georgian Modernism and the Ways of Development
Chair: Lauren Ninoshvili (Columbia University)

3:30 - 4:00 “Tbilisi Artistic Cafes (1917-21)”
Tea Tabatadze (Chubinashvili National Research Center)

4:00 - 4:30 “The ‘Avant-Garde’ of Georgian Theater”
Ketevan Shavgulidze (Tbilisi State University)

4:30 – 5:00 “Georgian Avant-Garde Movie of the Stormy Twenties - from Anarchy to Totalitarianism”
Olga Zghenti (Rustaveli State University of Theatre and Cinema of Georgia)

4:55 - 5:15 Coffee break

5:15 - 5:45 “The Poetry of the Trans-Rational in Menshevik-era Tbilisi”
Lauren Ninoshvili (Columbia University)

Mzia Chikhradze (Visiting Scholar, Harriman Institute)

6:15 - 6:30 Closing Remarks
Catharine Nepomnyashchyy (Barnard College)
Mzia Chikhradze (Visiting Scholar, Harriman Institute)

7:00 - 8:00 Georgian Modernism/Tbilisi Avant-Garde Art Exhibit Opening and Reception
Harriman Atrium, 12th floor International Affairs Building, Columbia University