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October 25 is the McClure Lecture on campus and online hosted by PTS! The full schedule is available here: <https://www.pts.edu/McClure-2324> We hope you will join the lectures, presentations and dinner that are sure to inspire you!

This year's keynoter Jonathan Tran is associate dean for faculty in Baylor's Honors College, where he serves as associate professor of great texts. He is author of the award-winning *Asian Americans and the Spirit of Racial Capitalism* (Oxford University Press, 2022) and serves as series co-editor of the Oxford University Press/American Academy of Religion series "Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion." In addition, our 7:30 PM presentation will feature Mai Khôi. She is a Vietnamese artist and activist who rose to stardom in 2010 after winning the Vietnam Television song and album of the year awards. Several years later she became increasingly uncomfortable having to submit her work to government censors and, thinking she could reform the system from within, nominated herself to run in the National Assembly elections on a pro-democracy platform. Her campaign sparked a nationwide debate about political participation and freedom of expression. Today, she leads efforts to promote freedom of artistic expression in Vietnam for which she was awarded the Vaclav Havel International Prize for Creative Dissent. Her activism has, however, come at a high price. She has had her concerts raided, been evicted from her house, and has been detained and interrogated by the police. Since 2020, she has been an artist-in-residence at City of Asylum here in Pittsburgh and was a 2020-2021 Artist Protection Fund Fellow at the University of Pittsburgh.

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