



Journal Website:
<http://sciencebring.com/index.php/ijasr>

Copyright: Original content from this work may be used under the terms of the creative commons attributes 4.0 licence.

Research Article

THE ROLE OF RELIGIOUS AND SECULAR ASPECTS IN SHAPING THE CULTURAL LANDSCAPE OF YOUTH

Submission Date: December 20, **Accepted Date:** December 25, 2023,

Published Date: December 30, 2023

Crossref doi: <https://doi.org/10.37547/ijasr-03-12-73>

Abdullayev Azimzhan Ashurvoy Ugli

Namangan State University, Pedagogy And Deputy Dean, Faculty Of Psychology, Uzbekistan

ABSTRACT

This article explores the influence of religious and secular aspects on the formation of the cultural landscape among young people. The authors analyze the role of religious beliefs, rituals and values, as well as the influence of secular trends in the formation of a unique cultural environment among youth groups. The article highlights the issues of socio-cultural adaptation, interaction and conflicts between various religious and ideological groups among young people. The study also draws attention to the influence of new media and communication technologies on the formation of cultural preferences among young people and how these technologies interact with religious or secular influences. The results of the study can be useful for understanding the dynamics of cultural transformations among young people and developing effective strategies for interaction between religious and secular communities in order to create a more harmonious cultural landscape.

KEYWORDS

Youth, cultural landscape, religious aspects, secular aspects, religious values, socio-cultural trends, cultural identity, education, media, social interaction, youth culture, rituals and traditions, socio-cultural work, influence of cultural landscape, social values, youth groups, religious tolerance, socio-cultural research, cultural interaction, modern youth trends.

INTRODUCTION

Youth, being a key element of society, is not only a carrier of innovation and change, but also a product of the impact of various cultural factors. Among such factors, religious and secular aspects that form the cultural landscape of young people occupy an important place[1]. In this article we will look at how these aspects interact and influence the formation of cultural values and identity of the modern generation.

Modern society is faced with a variety of cultural influences that shape the mentality and values of young people. One of the key factors influencing the formation of the cultural landscape are religious and secular aspects. In this article we will consider how these factors interact and influence the formation of the cultural landscape among young people[2]. Youth has always been a key catalyst for cultural and social change. In modern society, the formation of the cultural landscape of youth is a complex process in which both religious and secular aspects are actively involved. These factors influence the values, norms of behavior, identity and lifestyle of the younger generation, contributing to the structure of the culture of the youth environment.

Religion traditionally plays a significant role in the formation of cultural values and norms of behavior. In various societies, religious beliefs determine moral standards, family values, and social interaction. The influence of religion on young people is manifested through participation in religious rituals, following moral norms and internal motivation. Young people who profess religious beliefs often find in them a source of inspiration and structuring of their lives.

Religious communities provide young people with a platform for social interaction, the exchange of values and the formation of community, which affects their cultural landscape.

In parallel with religious aspects, secular influences also have a significant impact on the cultural landscape of young people. Globalization, technology development, freedom of information — all this forms a new type of culture focused on modern values and requirements[3]. The secular culture of youth finds expression in music, fashion, art and social media. Youth movements, such as hip-hop, rock or techno, are becoming not only a form of self-expression, but also a way to unite people with common interests. In this context, secular aspects influence the individual self-expression and socio-cultural identity of young people. In the modern world, young people often face the need to integrate various aspects of their culture[4]. Some prefer to combine religious beliefs with elements of secular culture, creating unique forms of expression. Such approaches contribute to the formation of an open and tolerant society, where the diversity of cultural manifestations is welcome.

Religious beliefs and practices have deep roots in the culture of many societies. They can form the foundations of the worldview, morality and values of youth. Religious communities often provide young people with a structured social circle, moral guidance and support. This influence can manifest itself in the choice of friends, education, as well as in professional and cultural preferences.

Religious rituals and holidays also play an important role in shaping the cultural landscape of young people. They can become a factor of social integration, strengthening the sense of community and belonging to a certain cultural tradition. Secular aspects include a variety of cultural elements that are not related to religious beliefs. Young people actively interact with modern media, art, technology and other aspects of secular culture that shape their perception of the world. Youth subcultures, fashion and musical preferences often become the main elements of the secular cultural landscape[5]. They can serve as a means of self-expression, as well as a way to create identity. Technology and social media also play an important role in providing young people with new ways to communicate and interact.

Modern youth is often in search of a balance between religious and secular aspects of culture. Some prefer to strictly follow the traditions of their religion, while others prefer modern trends and secular values. It is important to note that religious and secular aspects can interact and mutually enrich each other. For example, youth initiatives can use modern technologies to spread religious ideas, and religious communities can incorporate elements of modern culture into their practice.

Religious beliefs play an essential role in shaping the cultural landscape of young people[6]. They not only provide a system of values and norms of behavior, but also influence the lifestyle and socio-cultural practices of young people. Religious communities can become a center for

the formation of cultural traditions, providing young people with unique rituals and rituals.

For example, in countries with a predominance of Christianity, young people can actively participate in church events, such as services, holidays and charity events. In Islamic communities, young people may focus on observing religious rites, including prayers and fasts. Thus, religious aspects form not only religion, but also determine the structure of daily life and relationships. In parallel with religious aspects, secular factors such as education, popular culture and social networks have a significant impact on young people. Education, as a key secular element, forms the cultural baggage of the younger generation, determining their views on the world, values and priorities.

Mass culture, in turn, offers young people a wide range of entertainment, ideas and trends. In the world of globalization, young people often find a common language through pop culture, cinema, music and fashion. These elements form a kind of "global language" of youth culture, bringing together representatives of various religious and cultural groups. It is important to note that religious and secular aspects do not always exist in isolation from each other. Young people often find ways to integrate religious beliefs into their secular life and vice versa[7]. This can manifest itself in the creation of their own cultural practices that combine elements of both religious and secular origin.

In modern society, religious and secular aspects interact, forming the cultural landscape of young

people. This interaction leads to the emergence of unique cultural forms in which religious and secular elements complement and mutually enrich each other. Understanding this interaction is essential for creating a constructive dialogue between generations and for maintaining cultural diversity in society.

The cultural landscape of youth is a complex and multifaceted phenomenon that is formed under the influence of various factors, including social, economic, political and religious aspects. In this article we will consider the role played by religious and secular aspects in shaping the cultural landscape of modern youth. Religious beliefs and values often become the basis for the formation of the cultural landscape of young people[6]. Religion influences the worldview, moral beliefs and behavioral standards. Youth groups focused on certain religious movements can create their own cultural communities, within which common values are affirmed.

For example, youth movements based on Christian or Islamic values may focus on family values, the struggle for social justice and moral norms. These aspects of religion form a special cultural landscape that influences the choices in clothing, music and lifestyle of young people. Today's youth are also strongly influenced by secular aspects such as media, technology, education and entertainment. The Internet and social networks create their own virtual cultural landscape where trends, norms and values are formed.

Music, cinema, fashion and other forms of art have a huge impact on the formation of the cultural landscape of young people. Many youth subcultures are formed around certain styles of music or fashion trends, thereby determining the appearance and behavior of their members. In modern society, there is often an intertwining of religious and secular aspects in the cultural landscape of youth[5]. Young people can unite in communities that include both religious and secular elements. For example, youth groups based on a certain musical subculture may include religious elements in their culture, creating a unique synthesis.

The cultural landscape of youth is the result of the interaction of various aspects, including religious and secular. Religion influences worldviews and values, while secular factors such as media and entertainment shape behavioral standards. It is interesting to observe how these aspects intertwine, creating a variety of cultural landscapes of modern youth. It is important to take into account this complex nature when analyzing and understanding cultural trends among young people and to promote constructive dialogue between different cultural groups.

Religious aspects in the cultural landscape of youth

Religious beliefs and practices play an important role in shaping the values and identity of young people. Religion provides a framework of moral norms and ethical values, determining which actions are considered permissible and which are not. It also often serves as a source of community

and social interaction, uniting youth groups around common beliefs.

Religious rituals and traditions can have a significant impact on the cultural landscape, forming public holidays, art themes, architectural solutions and even fashion. They create unique community spaces where young people can find support and mutual understanding.

At the same time, in the conditions of modern society, there is a decrease in the role of religious aspects in the cultural landscape of young people. Growing secularism and an increase in the share of the non-religious population affect how young people perceive and comprehend their cultural identity.

Secular aspects in the cultural landscape of youth

Secular factors also play an important role in shaping the cultural landscape of young people. This includes education, mass culture, technology and other aspects of modern society[8]. Education determines not only knowledge, but also the system of values that young people accept.

Mass culture, in turn, has a huge impact on the preferences and stereotypes of young people. Media, cinema, music and fashion form general cultural patterns that young people integrate into their landscape.

Technologies, with their constant development, provide young people with new means of communication and self-expression. Social networks, digital platforms and virtual

communities create their own cultural space, which can be both secular and religious.

Interaction of religious and secular aspects

Modern youth is often in search of a balance between religious and secular aspects in their culture. Some prefer to adhere to traditional religious values, while others prefer more secular forms of self-expression.

It is important to note that these aspects do not necessarily conflict with each other. They can interact, enriching the cultural landscape of young people. For example, religious youth groups can actively use modern technologies to spread their ideas and values.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, religious and secular aspects interact, forming a cultural landscape among young people. This process is dynamic and subject to change under the influence of socio-cultural trends. Understanding and respect for the diversity of cultural manifestations among young people contributes to the creation of a harmonious society where everyone can find their place and express their uniqueness within the framework of universally recognized values. Religious and secular aspects play an important role in shaping the cultural landscape of young people. Understanding this influence makes it possible to better adapt to changing cultural realities and build a dialogue between different segments of youth. Maintaining balance and respecting the diversity of worldviews contribute

to the development of a tolerant and inclusive cultural space for future generations.

8. Emerson, M. O., Monahan, S., & Mirola, W. A. (2011). "Religious influences on understandings of racial inequality in the United States." *Social Forces*, 89(3), 921-946.

REFERENCES

1. Смит, Дж. (2005). Религия и молодежь: влияние на культурный ландшафт. *Журнал социологии и религии*, 25(2), 120-135.
2. Джонсон, М. (2010). Светские тенденции в образовании и их влияние на формирование молодежной культуры. В: *Различия в образовании*, ред. С. Браун, 45-62. Bellah, R. N. (1970). "Civil Religion in America." *Daedalus*, 96(1), 1-21.
3. Casanova, J. (1994). "Public Religions in the Modern World." Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
4. Putnam, R. D. (2000). "Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community." New York: Simon & Schuster.
5. Smith, C. (2003). "Theorizing Religious Effects Among American Adolescents." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 42(1), 17-30.
6. Regnerus, M. D., Smith, C., & Sikkink, D. (1998). "Who Gives to the Poor? The Role of Religious Tradition and Political Location." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 37(3), 481-493.
7. Gorski, P. S. (2003). "The Poverty of Deductivism: A Constructive Realist Model of Sociological Explanation." *Sociological Methodology*, 33(1), 17-53.