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The *Nestinarstvo* is a ritual fire-dance in Bulgaria which has been the focus of research attention on the part of ethnographers, folklorists and historians for a long time. The mass media sustain a keen interest in the custom and recently it has attracted the active interest of the tourist industry.

The custom is a vivid example of the dependence of rituals on their bearers: the extinction of the community spells the death of the ritual in its pure traditional form. It has to be acknowledged, though, that elements of the ritual's DNA are very often taken out of context and prove to be remarkably capable of independent existence as a major tourist attraction. It is the contemporary world's aspirations - though not made explicit - to the sacred that make such transformations possible.

The *Nestinarstvo* fire-dancing rite is a system of customs and rituals in which fire-dancing is the climactic point. However, to study the genesis of the phenomenon and its development in the context of the local culture of the Strandzha region in south-east Bulgaria one needs to go beyond this climactic point.

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