Helmer Aslaksen\* (aslaksen@math.nus.edu.sg), Dept of Mathematics, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 117543, Singapore. Modular Perspective in The Music Lesson by Vermeer. Preliminary report.

Many people have used the image of the back wall in the mirror in the painting The Music Lesson by Johannes Vermeer (1632-1675) to try to estimate the size of Vermeer's studio. In this talk we will focus on a series of interesting papers by the architect Tomás García-Salgado, using a technique he refers to as modular perspective. Unfortunately, the explanations may be hard to understand for mathematicians, and we will discuss his methods and results in a way that will hopefully be easier to understand for mathematics students. (Received September 14, 2009)