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WELCOME TO THE FIRST EDITION OF THE SEAP E-BULLETIN!

In an effort to bring you news from the Southeast Asia Program on a more regular and timely basis we have initiated an electronic version of the bulletin for your reading and viewing pleasure. We plan to “publish” the e-bulletin in the winter and spring as a supplement to the print edition of the bulletin that will come out each fall.

The e-bulletin will provide an overview of the Brown Bag lunch speaker series as well as providing details of the numerous conferences, symposia, and workshops held at the Kahin Center. We hope to provide photos and more in-depth coverage of these events as we get into the swing of it. Since I cannot be everywhere with camera in hand, please feel free to share your photos and comments about SEAP events with us.

The SEAP calendar on our website (<http://einaudi.cornell.edu/southeastasia/>) and the listserv are the best ways to keep abreast of upcoming events. I would however like to highlight the free end of semester concert by the Cornell Gamelan Ensemble, Tuesday, December 4th, 8 p.m. in B20 Lincoln Hall. Bethany Collier and I Nyoman Suadin, directors, with special guests I Made Kartawan and Ni Ketut Suryatini. Also featuring the Students of Music 245, Music for Balinese and Javanese gamelan. We hope to see you there.



Photo 1



Photo 2

The next time you are at the Kahin Center, be sure to take a look at the new mini-exhibit. Currently Burmese artifacts are on display in the foyer and hall in a delightful arrangement by the co-presidents of the Cornell Burmese Student Association, Ohmar Myint and Samii Wu (see photo 1). Karen middle school students who performed at the end of the Burma, Border Zones, and the Karen People Workshop eagerly pointed out items of interest in the display to their teacher Patricia Forton (see photo 2). In the main lecture hall to the right of the podium there are also a few special bags on display, on loan from the Anthropology Collection. Two of the bags from the Philippines date back to the turn of the last century, while the Akha bag was a gift from Ruth Sharp, the wife of SEAP founder Lauriston Sharp. The next mini-exhibit will explore Buddhism in mainland Southeast Asia. Get in touch if you have an idea for a display.

In future editions of the e-bulletin I would like to eventually include a number of new regular features such as reviews of popular culture from Southeast Asia such as films, music, and fiction. This should be even easier now that Netflix has a way to search for films from the region (or at least Thai ones). I know many of you regularly delve into popular culture to enliven your teach-

ing and to keep your pulse on the places you study, so please share what you have been watching, listening to, and reading for fun from the region. Another regular feature I would like to include would be reports from the field, blog-style with photos and informal notes by students, faculty, and perhaps even SEAP alumni. I would love to hear your ideas and suggestions. Please e-mail me your contributions and ideas.

Last but not least I'd like to put out a request for contributions to our growing collection of material culture for teaching about Southeast Asia (a.k.a. our explorer boxes). We have just acquired a set of fabulous steamer trunks with wheels and we could use any and all interesting stickers from the region to decorate them. (We can also scan items you have and print them onto adhesive paper.) I can give you a specific wish list if you are able to bring back a few items. (For example we could use flags from every country except Cambodia.) Keep your eyes open for drawings by kids depicting everyday life in their country—even photos of these pictures are a hit with kids here.

Thanks,

Thamora Fishel

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Take time to chat

WITH OUR CURRENT VISITING FELLOWS



Andrew McWilliam is an anthropologist from the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies at the Australian National University, who is visiting Cornell from October to December 2007. He is currently working on several writing projects that draw upon extended fieldwork in East Timor. One study explores the relationship between customary land tenures and legal regulation in the context of newly gained independence. A second research project is developing an ethnography of post-conflict social recovery among Fataluku ethno-linguistic communities in far eastern Timor.

Nina Hien (anthropology PhD '07) is working on a book about the visual economy of the Vietnamese image world. Her dissertation, *Reanimating Vietnam: Photography, Image Making and Iconicity in Ho Chi Minh City*, examined the relationship between visual technology and the construction of Vietnamese identities by the state and individuals in contemporary Ho Chi Minh City. Expanding on this work she is currently exploring the visual foundations that have historically influenced image-making practices in the country/colony through European and Vietnamese/Indochinese encounters.



STILL SHOTS FROM JANE FERGUSON'S BROWN BAG LECTURE

“86 LITTLE ROCK STARS AND RITUAL EXCESS:
AN ETHNOGRAPHY OF SHAN MERIT-MAKING
IN A CONTESTED ZONE AT THE THAI-BURMA BORDER”

The Puay Sang Long is a ceremony for the initiation of young boys into novice monkhood, and is considered an example of unique Shan Buddhist cultural practice. In a Shan community of former Shan United Revolutionary Army soldiers and stateless migrants, this ritual begins to take on new significance, as their circumstances have been politically framed by their persecution by the Burmese, and their lack of acceptance into mainstream Thai political economies as well. This presentation, using an ethnographic approach to ritual coupled with a sensory interpretation of the soundscapes which it produces, argues that while the explicit intent of the Shan ritual is to build "kuso" or merit for a future rebirth of higher status, the changing political circumstances force the ritual to signify in other directions as well.





- Sept 7 Thak Chaloemtiarana, Associate Professor, Asian Studies/Director, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University
Through Racing Goggles: Modernity, The West, and Ambiguous Siamese Alterities
- Sept 14 Erik Braun, PhD Candidate, Committee on the Study of Religion, Harvard University
How to Build an Abhidhammic Atomic Bomb: What the Controversy Over Ledi Sayadaw's Commentary Reveals About the Abhidhamma in Burma
- Sept 21 Greg Green, Curator, Echols Collection on Southeast Asia, Cornell University
Information Access in the Lao P.D.R.
- Sept 28 Mary Callahan, Associate Professor, International Studies/Director, International Studies Program, University of Washington
'All Necessary Instructions': State-Society Relations in Burma's Ethnic Minority States
- Oct 5 Shawn McHale, Associate Professor, Department of History and International Affairs/Director, Sigur Center for Asian Studies, George Washington University
Making Sense of Cannibalism and Race Transformation: the Mekong Delta During the First Indochina War, 1945-50
- Oct 12 Abby Cohn, Associate Professor, Linguistics, Cornell University
Indonesian Abbreviations - singkatan: Their use and structure



BrownBag Southeast Asia Program Lecture Series

For more information, check out the SEAP website: <http://www.einaudi.com> ell.edu/southeastasia

FALL 2006

12:00pm-1:30pm
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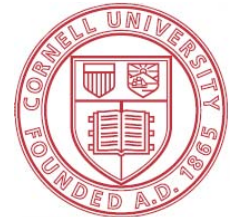
Light Lunch and
Beverages Provided

- Oct 19 Benedict Anderson, Professor Emeritus, Government, Cornell University
Comedies of Reception: The Strange Story of 'Strange Beast'
- Oct 26 Michael Adas, Abraham E. Voorhees Professor of History, Rutgers University
Prescient Dissent: Mark Twain's Critique of America's 'Civilizing' Project in the Philippines
- Nov 2 Marina Welker, Instructor, Anthropology, Cornell University
Corporate Security Begins in the Community: Mining and Environmental Advocacy Networks in Indonesia
- Nov 9 Andrew Willford, Associate Professor, Anthropology, Cornell University
Recognition and History in Malaysia's Plantations
- Nov 16 Daniel Kaufman, PhD Candidate, Linguistics, Cornell University
Migration, Expansion and Contact in Pre-historical Sulawesi: the Linguistic Evidence
- Nov 30 Lisa Todzia, PhD Candidate, Anthropology, Cornell University
UBU: Malaysian youth and the Desire for Knowledge





- Feb 1 Magnus Fiskejö, Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, Cornell University
The King's New Hats: Anthropological reflections on King Narai's 17th Century French Connections
- Feb 8 Tomas Larsson, PhD Candidate, Department of Government, Cornell University
Capital to the tiller? A prehistory of the commodification of land in Thailand
- Feb 16 (FRI) Abidin Kusno, Associate Professor, Canada Research Chair in Asian Urbanism and Culture, University of British Columbia
"Back to the City": A Note on Urban Architecture in the New Indonesia
- Mar 1 Doreen Lee, PhD Candidate, Department of Anthropology, Cornell University
Temporary housing for the New (Order) Family: Building Posko, Sekretariat, and Basekemp



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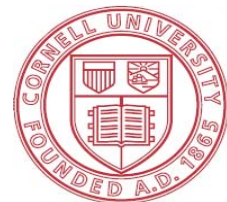
Light Lunch and
Beverages Provided

- Mar 8 Ken Hall, Professor, History, Ball State University
Sojourning Communities, Ports-of-Trade, and Upstream-Downstream Networking in Maritime Southeast Asia, 1000-1500
- Mar 15 Ward Keeler, Associate Professor, Anthropology, University of Texas - Austin
What's Burmese about Burmese Rap? A critique of scholarship on rap
- Mar 27 Mini-Symposium - Issues in Contemporary Thai Politics
Paul Handley, Freelance Journalist
Kevin Hewison, Professor, Asian Studies, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Duncan McCargo, Professor, Southeast Asian Politics, University of Leeds (UK)
- Apr 5 Heidi Fung, Associate Research Fellow, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica
Vietnamese Mothers, Taiwanese Kids: How Migrant Women Socialize Their Young Children into Sino-Vietnamese Marriage Families
- Apr 19 Steven Collins, Professor, South Asia Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago
Civilization and the Single Woman





- Sept 6 Thak Chaloemtiarana, Director, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University
Nang Neramid: Siam's second authentic Thai novel - a soft-porn Egyptian adventure
- Sept 13 Porphant Ouyyanont, Professor, School of Economics, Sukhothai Thammatirat Open University
The Crown Property Bureau in Thailand and the Crisis of 1997
- Sept 20 Khanis Suvianita, Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Psychology, University of Surabaya
Indonesian Woman in Transnational Era
- Sept 27 Jane Ferguson, PhD Candidate, Department of Anthropology, Cornell University
86 Little Rock Stars and Ritual Excess: An ethnography of Shan merit-making in a contested zone at the Thai-Burma border
- Oct 11 Christopher Bjork, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, Vassar College
Indonesian Education: Central Government Goals Meet Local Realities
- Oct 18 Andrew McWilliam, SEAP Visiting Fellow, Department of Anthropology, Australian National University
Customary Land Tenures and Legal Regulation in Post-Independence East Timor



BrownBag Southeast Asia Program Lecture Series

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 This talk is partially funded by the U.S. Department of Education as part of SEAP's designation as a National Resource Center.

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- Oct 25 Christopher Goscha, Professor, Department of History, University of Montreal
Revisiting Vietnam or Indochina
- Nov 1 Anne Blackburn, Associate Professor, Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University
O' Siam!: A 19th-century Lankan Monastic Romance
- Nov 8 Sanjay Krishnan, Professor, Department of English, University of California - Irvine
Memories of Underdevelopment
- Nov 15 Nina Hien, SEAP Visiting Fellow, Department of Anthropology, Cornell University
Photo Recoveries: Cover-ups, Final Touches & Eternal Returns in Ho Chi Minh City
- Nov 29 Soumya James-Madhusudhan, PhD Candidate, History of Art, Cornell University
Searching for the goddess in ancient Khmer art: re-examining temple art and inscriptions
- Dec 6 John Knodel, Professor Emeritus, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan
Rural Parents with Urban Children: Assessing the impact of migration on older-age parents in Thailand



Upcoming Brown Bag Speakers

JANUARY

- 31 Alicia Turner (Visiting Instructor, Department of Religion, Kalamazoo College)

FEBRUARY

- 7 Edwin Zehner (Visiting Fellow, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University)
- 14 Tamara Loos (Associate Professor, Department of History, Cornell University)
- 21 Lydia Breckon (Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth)
- 28 Wan-ling Wee (A.D. White Fellow, Society for the Humanities, Cornell University)

MARCH

- 6 Kaja McGowan (Associate Professor, Department of Art History, Cornell University)
- 13 Nang Raw (Burmese independent scholar)
- 27 Lorraine Paterson (Assistant Professor, Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University)

APRIL

- 3–6 **Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting – Atlanta, GA**
- 10 Vicente Rafael (Professor, Department of History, University of Washington)
- 17 Mary Steedly (Professor, Department of Anthropology, Harvard University)
- 24 Donald Swearer (Distinguished Visiting Professor, Department of Buddhist Studies, Harvard Divinity School)



March 16 (Friday)

4:00 - 4:30 pm Registration
 4:30 - 6:00 pm Keynote Speech: Patricia Spyer
 6:00 pm Reception

Keynote Speaker

Patricia Spyer, Professor of the Anthropology of Contemporary Indonesia at Leiden University, The Netherlands, is the author of "The Memory of Trade: Modernity's Entanglements on an Eastern Indonesian Island" (Duke, 2000) and editor of "Border Fetishisms: Material Objects in Unstable Spaces" (Routledge, 1998). Her current research focuses on the role of mass and small media in the dynamics of the violence and reconciliation processes in the Moluccas, Indonesia.

March 17 (Saturday)

9:30 - 11:00 am
Panel 1: The New Export-driven Development in Southeast Asia: People, Capital, and Power
 Moderator: Edmund Oh

The Impact of Foreign Direct Investment on Labor Migration in the Philippines
 Scott Sanders (Cornell University)

Women Migrant Workers in Development Process: An Indonesian Context
 Diah Irawaty (The Heller School Brandeis University)

Thailand's Assertion of Sub-Regional Leadership in Mainland Southeast Asia through Development Assistance
 Kesarin Phanarangsarn (University of Pennsylvania)

11:15 - 12:45 pm
Panel 2: Violence and Dislocation in Fiction, Photos and Film
 Moderator: Patricia Spyer

Disinherited Generations: Encountering Familial and National Histories of Violence in Post-New Order Indonesia
 Andrew Conroe (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

"I Can Still Hear Them Weeping": 20th Century Fiction as a Source for Indonesian Conceptualizations of the 1965-66 Mass Killings
 Dahlia Setiyawan (University of California, Los Angeles)

Streets + Children = Money
 Chris Brown (University of Washington)

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2:30 - 4:00 pm
Panel 3: Architectural Agents: Space and Politics in Indonesia
 Moderator: Lawrence Chua

Converging Space in the "City of 1000 Forts": Ternate, North Maluku
 Sarah Grant (University of California, Riverside)

Between the Prides: Street Traders "Participation" in Indonesian Urban Architecture Discourse
 Dadil Hidayat (University of Wisconsin, Madison)

March 18 (Sunday)

9:30 - 11:00 am
Panel 4: New Trends in Nationalism
 Moderator: Richard Ruth

Periphery Nationalism: The Case of Northeastern Thailand
 Jacob Ricks (Northern Illinois University)

A Girl Without Talent is Therefore Virtuous: Educating Chinese Girls in British Malaya and Singapore, 1850s-1960s
 Karen Teoh (Harvard University)

Can the Subaltern Play?: Basketball, Cultural Imperialism, and National Identity in the Philippines
 Lou Antolihao (National University of Singapore)

11:15 - 12:45 pm
Panel 5: Converging Paths: Southeast Asian Languages in Contact
 Moderator: Joe Pittayaporn

Where Fieldwork Fails: trouble with Moken anaphora
 Peter Jenks (Harvard University)

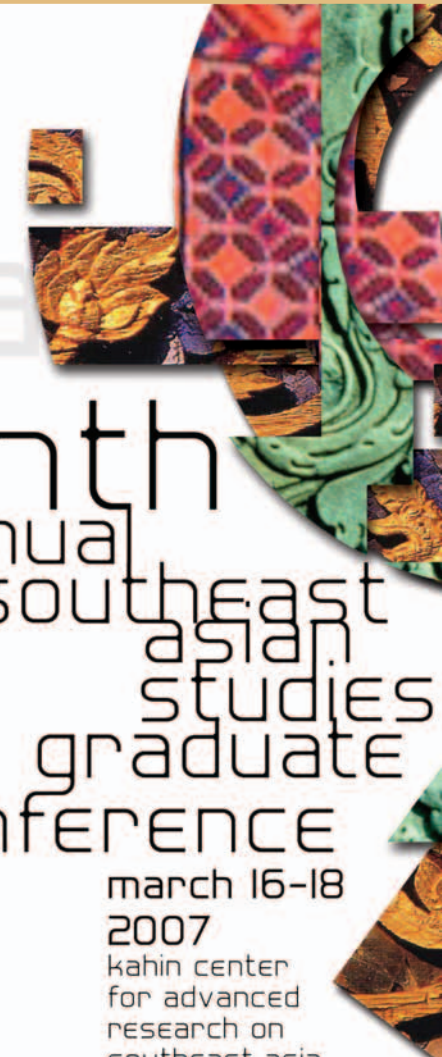
Etymological Doublets in Sino-Vietnamese
 Katherine Thornton (University of Washington)

Tai Loanwords in Mal: A Minority Language of Thailand
 Kate Chommanad (Chulalongkorn University)

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**THE THAI MONARCHY AND POLITICS:
WHAT WE KNOW AND WHAT WE DON'T**

Paul Handley
Journalist, Author of "The King Never Smiles"

Officially the Thai monarchy is "above politics", but the throne is far more politically involved than most people believe. As a player in the political realm, King Bhumibol Adulyadej stays hidden in plain view behind a circle of absolutely loyal courtiers, his privy council, who quietly advance his interests while maintaining "plausible deniability" about his interventions. This arrangement becomes extremely important as the king nears the end of his reign and the move to his successor, a process which is fraught with questions, begins.

CONSTITUTIONS, REGIMES AND POWER

Kevin Hewison
Professor, Asian Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Almost all assessments of the quality of democracy include constitutions – more specifically, constitutionalism – in their range of indicators. Constitutions are not simply basic law. Rather, constitutions are both a site of social and political conflict and a means to structure, manage and limit political participation. This paper emphasizes the contested nature of constitutions and uses Thailand as a case study of how participation is promoted, tolerated and suppressed. The current struggle in Thailand is to move participation away from collective forms (or the threat of these) to a more individualized and state-controlled form of control.

SECURITY FAILURES AND THE SOUTHERN THAI CONFLICT

Duncan McCargo
Professor of Southeast Asian Politics, University of Leeds

Almost 2000 people have been killed in political violence in the Thailand's Malay Muslim border region since January 2004. This presentation will discuss shortcomings in the Thai state's handling of political violence in the southern border provinces of Pattani, Yala and Narathiwat. Why have virtually none of the perpetrators of violence been convicted in court? Why have the military and police seemed unable to frame robust and convincing responses to militant violence? Why is the conflict edging closer towards all-out civil war? Why has the Surayud government so far proved unable to articulate an alternative strategy? What are the prospects for resolving the conflict?

Cornell University
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From the King and the Constitution(s) to the Pattani State

March 27, 2007 (Tuesday)
12:00 n.n. to 2:30 p.m.

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IMAGINING MUSLIMS IMAGINING OTHERS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER, 14th

4:30-6:00pm: A set of brief public lectures composed of reflection statements of 20 minutes duration each outlining the trajectory that led the speaker to become engaged with these subjects. Following the presentations there will be 30 minutes for question and answer which will also serve as to prepare for the workshop on Saturday.

PANEL CHAIR: Davydd Greenwood, Anthropology, Cornell University

PANELISTS:

- Engseng Ho (Anthropology, Harvard)
- Michael Peletz (Anthropology, Emory)
- Bassam Tibi (International Relations, University of Göttingen)

6:00-6:30pm: Reception

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 15th

8:30-9:00: Continental breakfast

9:00-10:30am: PANEL DISCUSSION 1: Purification and reform. Chair: Andrew Willford, (Anthropology and Southeast Asia Program, Cornell)

Engseng Ho will lead off with a 20 minute presentation of the key points from his discussion paper on this topic. Following this, the participants will join in for a general discussion.

PANELISTS:

- Anne Blackburn, (Asian Studies, Cornell)
- Thomas Gibson, (Chair, Anthropology, Rochester)

10:30am: Break

10:45-12:30pm: PANEL DISCUSSION 2: Civil Society. Chair: Davydd Greenwood (Anthropology and Institute for European Studies, Cornell).

Bassam Tibi will lead off with a 20 minute presentation of the key points from his discussion paper on this topic. Following this, the participants will join in for a general discussion.

"Imagining Muslims/Imagining Others:
South Asia, Southeast Asia, and Eu-
An International Colloquium/Panel Discussion
on RELIGIOUS PLURALISM
at Cornell University



September 14th-15th, 2007
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Cornell University

PANELISTS:

- Shelley Feldman (Development Sociology, Cornell)
- Emil Homerin, (Chair, Religion, Rochester)
- Tazim Kassam, (Chair, Dept. Religion, Syracuse)

1:30-3:00pm: PANEL DISCUSSION 3: "Othering:" Social Processes and Cultural Expressions. Chair: Daniel Gold (Asian Studies and South Asia Program, Cornell). Michael Peletz will lead off with a 20 minute presentation of the key points from his discussion paper on this topic. Following this, the participants will join in for a general discussion.

PANELISTS:

- Iftikhar Dadi, (Art History, Cornell)
- Ann Grodzins Gold, (Religion and Anthropology, Syracuse)
- Tamara Loos (History, Cornell)
- Shawkat Toorawa (Near Eastern Studies, Cornell)

3:00-4:00pm: Development of a research/action agenda for the future. Davydd Greenwood will moderate this agenda-building process.

Workshop Reporter: Juliana Finucane

WORKSHOP ORGANIZERS:

- Ann Grodzins Gold (Professor of Religion and Anthropology, Syracuse)
- Daniel Gold (Professor, South Asian Religions, Cornell)
- Davydd Greenwood (Goldwin Smith Professor of Anthropology; Director, Institute for European Studies, Cornell)
- Andrew Willford (Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Asian Studies, Cornell)

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FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES (FLAS) FELLOWSHIPS

This academic year grant, administered by SEAP under a Title VI Program of the U.S. Department of Education, provides funding to graduate students pursuing language and area studies in Burmese, Khmer (Cambodian), Indonesian/Malay, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese. The Southeast Asia Program wishes to acknowledge the Cornell Graduate School for the supplementary support it provides these deserving students.

2005-2006

Steven Carroll, History, Thai
Lawrence Chua, Architecture, Art, and Planning, Thai
Amanda Flaim, Development Sociology, Thai
Andrew Johnson, Anthropology, Thai
Martin Loicano, History, Vietnamese
Jonathan McIntyre, Anthropology, Vietnamese
Ivan Small, Anthropology, Vietnamese

2006-2007

Lawrence Chua, Architecture, Art, and Planning, Thai
Amanda Flaim, Development Sociology, Thai
Samson Lim, History, Thai
Kathleen Lynch, Asian Studies, Khmer
Thomas Patton, Asian Studies, Burmese
John Duong Phan, Asian Studies, Vietnamese
Noppamas Suttinun, Asian Studies, Thai

2007-2008

Lawrence Chua, Architecture, Art, and Planning, Thai
Amanda Flaim, Development Sociology, Thai
Samson Lim, History, Indonesian
Thomas Patton, Asian Religions, Burmese
Joseph Stevens, Asian Studies, Tagalog
Prushaya Suthiwan, Landscape Architecture, Thai
Jonathan Young, Asian Religions, Thai

THE MILTON L. BARNETT SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

This award supports Malaysian studies at Cornell by funding students, either Malaysians enrolled in Southeast Asian Studies or other students whose focus is Malaysia.

Spring 2004

Sze Wei Ang, Comparative Literature
Jennifer Foley, Art History
Bounlonh Soukamneuth, City and Regional Planning

2004-2005

Sze Wei Ang, Comparative Literature
William Tan, Architecture, Art, and Planning

Summer 2006

Sze Wei Ang, Comparative Literature

2006-2007

Lawrence Chua, Architecture, Art, and Planning
Edmund (Joo Vin) Oh, Development Sociology

SEAP AND MARIO EINAUDI CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES TRAVEL AWARDS

Einaudi Travel Grants are short-term research stipends that are awarded in collaboration with SEAP to prepare graduate students by sending them to the region of the world associated with their studies. This experience is critical to the future endeavors as they pursue more extensive funding for dissertation research.

Summer 2006

Sze Wei Ang, Comparative Literature, Malaysia
 Claudine (Tsu Lyn) Ang, History, Vietnam
 Florio Orocio Arguillas, Development Sociology, Ireland
 Edson Cabalfin, Architecture, Art, and Planning, Philippines
 Lawrence Chua, Architecture, Art, and Planning, Malaysia
 Rachel Dunn, Biological and Environmental Engineering, Thailand
 Tyrell Haberkorn, Sociocultural Anthropology, Thailand
 Mary (Sukjong) Hong, City and Regional Planning, Vietnam
 Yew-Foong Hui, Anthropology, Indonesia
 Uyen K. Huynh, CIPA, Vietnam
 D. Christian Lammerts, Asian Studies, Paris & London
 Samson Lim, History, Thailand
 Oiyen Liu, History, Indonesia
 Doreen Lee, Anthropology, Indonesia
 Saiful Majdi, City and Regional Planning, Indonesia/Malaysia
 Thomas Patton, Asian Religions, Burma
 Scott Sanders, CIPA, Philippines
 Ivan Small, Anthropology, Vietnam
 Asuka Tateyabashi, Asian Studies, Indonesia/Malaysia

Summer 2007

Claudine (Tsu Lyn) Ang, History, Vietnam/Cambodia
 Hong Bui, Anthropology, France/Vietnam
 Leo Chan, Asian Studies, Vietnam
 Amanda Flaim, Development Sociology, Thailand
 Jareevichaya, Hatachote, Natural Resources, Thailand
 Christian Lentz, Development Sociology, Thailand
 Samson Lim, History, Thailand
 Oiyen Liu, History, The Netherlands
 Heather MacLachlan, Music, Burma
 Thomas Patton, Asian Religions, Burma
 Rachel Dunn, Biological and Environmental Engineering, Thailand

SUMMER WRITE-UP AWARDS

SEAP provides summer write-up funding to those students who are in the final writing phase of their dissertations or theses.

Summer 2004

Steven Carroll, History, Thailand/Cambodia
 Erik Harms, Anthropology, Vietnam
 D. Christian Lammerts, Asian Studies, Burma
 Amanda Rath, History of Art, Indonesia
 Worrasit Tantinipankul, City and Regional Planning, Thailand

Summer 2005

Marie Arguillas, Development Sociology, Philippines
 Marc Brunelle, Linguistics, Thailand
 Mercedes Chavez, City and Regional Planning, Indonesia
 Alexandra Denes, Anthropology, Thailand
 Tran Duong, Anthropology, Vietnam
 Chie Ikeya, History, Burma
 Hendro Sangkoyo, City and Regional Planning, Indonesia
 Kevin Strompf, Government, Indonesia
 Richard Ruth, History, Thailand
 Nicolas Arsenio, Music, Indonesia

Summer 2006

Tyrell Haberkorn, Anthropology, Thailand
 Anastasia Riehl, Linguistics, Indonesia
 Richard Ruth, History, Thailand
 Bounlonh Soukamneuth, City and Regional Planning, Laos

Summer 2007

Jane Ferguson, Anthropology, Thailand/Burma
 Pittayawat (Joe) Pittayaporn, Linguistics, Thailand

GAMELAN ÇUDAMANI

touches the lives of local school children



The Cornell Chronicle covered the free demonstration and performance of Balinese gamelan ensemble Çudamani on October 23, 2007 for over 400 area school children.

<http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/Nov07/Bali.Gamelan.da.html>

Gamelan Çudamani Outreach Performance

Tuesday, October 23, 2007
Bailey Hall, Cornell University



Benda Prize awarded to...

ERIC TAGLIACCOZZO



The Association of Asian Studies awarded the 2007 Harry J. Benda Prize in Southeast Asian Studies to Professor Eric Tagliacozzo (History). This award, honoring a pioneer in the field of Southeast Asian Studies, was presented to Eric for his work *Secret Trades, Porous Border: Smuggling and States Along a Southeast Asian Frontier, 1865 – 1915*, Yale University Press, 2005. To quote the award citation, the book “constructs a rich and original inter-imperial history, drawing on intricate research in a variety of archives. It sketches a dynamic world, weaving the details into a clear and coherent story. His work confirms the importance of borders for the state-making project, but vividly demonstrates that what actually happens in the process is far more complex than narratives of the ‘territorial’ colonial state... The conceptual sophistication and innovation of this book, along with the penetrating reading of archival sources alongside a broad range of other source materials, make an outstanding contribution that promises to change the way we think about state-making in Southeast Asia.” Congratulations to Eric!

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**New Mandala features interviews with
SEAP Director, Thak Chaloemtiarana,
former Visiting Fellow, David Chandler, and
SEAP alumnus, Robert Taylor**

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BEYOND ISLAM 101: ENHANCING YOUR CURRICULUM

On September 14 and 15, 2007 middle and high school teachers joined members of the Cornell Educational Resources for International Studies (CERIS) outreach group, including SEAP, and scholars of Islam for an intermediate discussion of how to teach about Islam in the Social Studies classroom. Teachers put together a binder of resources (including a CD of visual resources), met with potential speakers including students from Indonesia and Malaysia who are willing to visit classrooms, and shared their strategies for teaching about Islam effectively. This workshop was held in conjunction with the academic conference “Imagining Muslims/ Imagining Others: South Asia, Southeast Asia, and Europe.”

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BURMA, BORDER ZONES, AND THE KAREN PEOPLE WORKSHOP

In response to strong interest from local teachers and other community members working with the growing population of Karen and other refugees from Burma who have relocated to upstate New York, SEAP Outreach organized a workshop for October 19 and 20, 2007. The workshop was such a great success that at certain points the Kahin Center was standing-room only.

The first day of the workshop was designed especially for teachers, with sessions that provided basic background information on Burma, an overview of life in the camps, and an introduction to the linguistic and ESL issues that teachers may encounter. Time was allocated for discussing lesson plans and brainstorming ways to incorporate this material in various classroom settings. Saturday featured panels and speakers who went into greater depth and discussed their research into topics focused on the contemporary situation in the border zones. Speakers shared their experiences working with the Karen and other groups in Burma, in Thailand, and with refugees as they begin to adjust to life in the U.S.

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