

15th Annual ASIANetwork Conference

April 20-22, 2007

Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel, Lisle, Illinois

Invitation from the ASIANetwork Board Vice-Chair Donald Clark

The ASIANetwork Board is very pleased to invite you to attend the 15th Annual ASIANetwork Conference which will be held at the Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel in Lisle, Illinois, just west of Chicago, from Friday April 20 through lunch on Sunday, April 22, 2007. In addition to the full range of panels by ASIANetwork colleagues, the program will feature keynote and plenary session speakers who will take up topics related to several regions of Asia and who will address current issues dealing with both the interpretation and teaching of Asian history and culture at the undergraduate level.

Once again this year the conference will begin on Friday with a day tour of Asia-related sites in the Chicago area, led by Professor **Norm Moline** of Augustana College. Members who have not had the pleasure of Norm's long and personal experience with Chicago and its history will want to arrive early at Hickory Ridge, in time to leave on the bus that departs at 8:00 Friday morning. The bus will return to Hickory Ridge no later than 5:00 p.m. The cost of the tour that includes lunch is a bargain at \$35. Space is limited, so sign up early. (See page 6 for details).

The conference begins officially with dinner on Friday evening, followed by an address by **Bardwell Smith**, the John W. Nason Professor Emeritus of Asian Studies at Carleton College. Professor Smith is known for his work on Buddhist studies in south and southeast Asia, but he is also a gifted speaker on religious and social consciousness in many other contexts, including America after the tragic events of September 11th. Members will not want to miss his talk entitled "Beyond Stereotyping: The Enemy has a Face."

Dorothy Ko of Columbia University is our Saturday morning plenary speaker. Professor Ko, born in Hong Kong, is a cultural historian of early modern China, with special interests in the history of Chinese women. Her recent book *Cinderella's Sisters: A Revisionist History of Footbinding* (California, 2005), is already a classic not only on footbinding itself but on the relationship between the body, language, and historical reality.

On Saturday evening after dinner our second keynote speaker will be **Wendy Doniger** of the University of Chicago. Professor Doniger is already well known to many ASIANetwork members, as a past president of the Association for Asian Studies, for her translations of Sanskrit texts including the *Rig Veda*, *Laws of Manu*, and *Kamasutra*, and for her more recent interpretive works such as the recent book *The Woman Who Pretended To Be Who She Was*. Her talk, which is about her own experiences as an Asianist, is entitled "How my Life Imitated My Art, or, How A Sanskritist Masqueraded as a Historian of Religions."

The Program Committee and the Board of ASIANetwork are grateful to the membership for their fine response to the call for papers and for the excellent papers and panels they have placed on the program. We have an outstanding mix of scholarly panels, roundtables, teaching sessions, and poster presentations in addition to the cultural presentation that ASIANetwork Executive Director **Teddy Amoloza** has arranged for us on Saturday evening, which features high school graduates from Mindanao in Southern Philippines. We are looking forward to welcoming you to Hickory Ridge this year and to many enjoyable and productive conversations through the weekend.

2007 ASIANetwork Conference Program

Friday, April 20

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Pre-conference tour of Asia-related sites in the Chicago Area
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ASIANetwork Board Meeting, Board Room, Hickory Ridge
4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Conference registration: Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel Lobby
6:30 p.m. 7:50 p.m. Dinner
- 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Welcome by Phyllis Larson, ASIANetwork Board Chair
Keynote address: Bardwell Smith, Carleton College
Beyond Stereotyping: The Enemy has a Face
Introduction by: Phyllis Larson, St. Olaf College, ASIANetwork Board Chair
- 9:35 p.m. – 10:15 p.m. Orientation Session for 2007 Student-Faculty Fellows Faculty Recipients
Convener: Van Symons, Augustana College

Saturday, April 21

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Buffet Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **Plenary Speaker: Dorothy Ko, Barnard College**
Perspectives on Footbinding
Introduction by: Donald N. Clark, Trinity University, ASIANetwork Board Vice-Chair
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Refreshments

1. *Shikoku Pilgrimage: Following the Daishi's Footsteps as Scholars and Pilgrims*

Chair: Jennifer Oldstone-Moore, Wittenberg University

Panelists:

- Jennifer Oldstone-Moore, Wittenberg University: "Experiential Learning and Religious Orthopraxy: Researcher as *Henro* at the 88 Sacred Places of Shikoku"
Kimie James [Vance], Wittenberg University: "Commercialization and the Shikoku Pilgrimage"
Zachariah Simon, Wittenberg University: "The Modern *Henro* on the Kobo Daishi Pilgrimage"

2. *Crossing Boundaries: Teaching Film as Text in Asian History, Literature, Music, and Politics Courses*

Chair: Joan Ericson, Colorado College

Panelists:

- Nilanjana Bhattacharjya, Colorado College: "But it has some good songs. . . (Introducing Students to the Aesthetics of the Popular Hindi Film Through Music)"
Joan Ericson, Colorado College: "Crossing Disciplines: Is this Politics or Literature?"
Hong Jiang, Colorado College: "Focus on Chinese Films"
Donald N. Clark, Trinity University: "Korean Cinema: Using Film as a Historical Text"

3. *Incorporating Teaching about Traditional Chinese Medicine in First Year Seminar and Global Health Courses*

Chair: Teddy O. Amoloza, Illinois Wesleyan University

Panelists:

- Susan Orpett Long, John Carroll University: "Teaching Traditional Chinese Medicine in First Year Seminar"
Sarita Bhalotra, Brandeis University: "Babies and Bathwater: The Challenge of Incorporating Useful Practices from Traditional Systems of Medicine"
Christopher Hall, Berry College: "Incorporation of a Study Abroad Program in Traditional Chinese Medicine as Part of a Pre-Medical Curriculum"
Kristy Maher, Furman University: "Teaching Traditional Chinese Medicine as Part of a Global Health First Year Seminar"

4. ***Asian American Experience Roundtable***

Chair: T. James Kodera, Wellesley College

Participants:

Gita Rajan, Fairfield University: "The South Asian Experience in America: A Reappraisal"

Zhigang Liu, Simmons College: "Chinese Americans and the Search for Identity"

P. Richard Bohr, College of St. Benedict/ St. John's University: "The Uneasy Relationship Between Asian Studies and Asian American Studies"

T. James Kodera, Wellesley College: "Why Asian American Studies Matter: Challenges and Promises in the Undergraduate Curriculum"

12:00-1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:30-3:00 p.m. Concurrent panel sessions

5. ***Teaching and Learning in Vietnam and the USA***

Chair: Paul Nietupski, John Carroll University

Participants:

Truong Thi Kim Chuyen, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City (visiting at Milliken University)

Lam Thi My Dzung, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Hanoi (visiting at Marlboro College)

Nguyen Thi Tuyet Oanh, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City (visiting at Edgewood College)

Nguyen Van Suu, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City (visiting at Whitman College)

Tran Le Hoa Trinh, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City (visiting at the University of Findlay)

6. ***Ordinary People: The Search for Ordinary Lives in Constructing Asia Past and Present***

Chair: Suzanne Wilson Barnett, University of Puget Sound

Panelists:

Dorothy V. Borei, Guilford College: "Colonialism as Rape: Pramoedya's *This Earth of Mankind*"

Nick Kontogeorgopoulos, University of Puget Sound: "One Step Forward, Two Steps Back: Representations of Chinese Factory Workers in 'Mardi Gras: Made in China'"

Suzanne Wilson Barnett, University of Puget Sound: "The Past as Experienced: 'Ordinary Japanese' and the War"

Discussant: Samuel H. Yamashita, Pomona College

7. ***Roundtable: Using the Silk Road—Crossing Disciplines and the Globe to Reach Colleagues and Students***

Chair: Joan O'Mara, Washington and Lee University

Participants:

Rebecca Wendelken, Methodist College:

Jackie Moore, Austin College

Richard Guzman, North Central College

Hirsh Diamant, Evergreen State College

8. ***Multimedia Approaches to Teaching Asian Studies***

Chair, Paul Manfredi, Pacific Lutheran University

Panelists:

Paul Manfredi, Pacific Lutheran University: "Chinese Culture Live: Online Sources for Teaching Chinese Poetry, Art and Music"

Todd S. Munson, Randolph-Macon College: "Teaching Film as History: Bernardo Bertolucci's 'The Last Emperor'"

Charles Hanna, Indiana University/DePauw University: "Introducing Modern Japan Through Diverse Media in the Undergraduate Class"

Discussant: Steven Hanna, Harvard University

3:00-3:15 p.m. Refreshments

3:15-4:45 p.m. Concurrent panel sessions

9. *Using an Emic Model to Enhance Learning in a Study Tour Course to Asia*

Chair: Roger Purdy

Panelists:

Susan Long, John Carroll University: "Keeping it Academic: The Integration of Interdisciplinary Coursework and the Study Tour Experience"

Roger Purdy, John Carroll University: "Program and Student Engagement"

Keiko Nakano, John Carroll University: "Perspectives on Japan"

Yemi S. Akande, John Carroll University: "Study Tour Evaluation"

10. *Hamline's Faculty Development in International Learning Project Poster Session*

Chair: Diane Clayton, Hamline University

Participants include: Suda Ishida, Hamline University

11. *Teaching about War in a Time of War*

Chair: Shu-chin Wu, Agnes Scott College

Panelists:

Derek N. Buckaloo, Coe College: "Comparing Wars: The 'Horse and Water' Problem"

David A Nordmann, Coe College: "Teaching About Occupation in a Time of Occupation"

Shu-chin Wu, Agnes Scott College: "'Contemplating' the Vietnam War: Past and Present"

12. *ASIANetwork Freeman Student-Faculty Research Projects Poster Session*

Convener: Van Symons, Augustana College

Presenters: 2006 ASIANetwork student and faculty fellows

5:00-5:45 p.m. **Philippine Cultural Presentation**

6:30-7:50 p.m. Dinner

8:00-9:30 p.m. **Keynote address: Wendy Doniger, University of Chicago**

How My Life Imitated My Art, or,

How a Sanskritist Masqueraded as a Historian of Religions

Introduction by: Erin McCarthy, St. Lawrence University, ASIANetwork Board Vice-Chair-elect

Sunday, April 22

7:00-7:50 a.m. Buffet Breakfast

8:00-10:00 a.m. Business Meeting & discussion of directions for the ASIANetwork

10:00-10:15 a.m. Refreshments

10:15-11:45 a.m. Concurrent Panel Sessions

13. *Koreans in Modern Japan: Their Struggles and Aspirations*

Chair: Richard Bohr, College of St. Benedict/ St. John's University

Panelists:

Young Kim, University of Evansville

Haeng-ja Chung, Hamilton College

Yoshiko Nagaoka, University of Evansville

T. James Kodera, Wellesley College

14. *Teaching and Researching Asia at Spelman College*

Chair: Bernice J. deGannes Scott, Spelman College

Panelists:

Bernice deGannes Scott, Spelman College: "The East Asian Economic Model in the Orthodox Economics Classroom"

James Gillam, Spelman College: "The Cambodian Invasion, June 1970"

Xuexin Liu, Spelman College: "Japanese Cultural Studies as Part of Language Learning at Spelman College"

Anne Hornsby, Spelman College: "Role of the Postal Savings System in Japan's Economy"

15. *The Mao Zedong Controversy*

Chair: Larry D. Harwood, Viterbo University

Panelists:

Jinxing Chen, Edgewood College: "Recollections, Reconstruction, and Reality: Challenges in Teaching about Mao and Mao's Era"

Stephen B. Herschler, Oglethorpe University: "Mao's Dao and the Core Curriculum: How Contradiction both Clarifies and Rectifies Marx's Notion of Progress and Change"

Steve Udry, Carthage College: "The Party's Treatment of Mao"

12:00-1:00 Concluding luncheon

Conference Registration

Registration deadline: March 23, 2007

Registration fee: \$60 for ASIANetwork members; \$70 for non-members. Conference registration received after March 30, 2007 will be \$70 for members and \$80 for non-members. A check or money order **payable to ASIANetwork** (the ASIANetwork office is not equipped to handle credit card charges) should be mailed to:

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Accommodations and Meals

Conference site: Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel, Lisle, IL (west of Chicago)

Reservation number: 1-800-334-0344

Reservation deadline: March 23, 2007 for conference rates. The meeting package rates (which covers the cost of a room, meals and refreshment breaks from Friday evening through Sunday lunch, and the use of the fitness center and recreational facilities) is \$171.18 per night for a single room and \$275.36 per night for a double room. These rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes. Individuals should identify themselves as participating in the ASIANetwork Conference when they make reservations.

The cost of day registration at the conference is \$69, which also covers the cost of lunch, refreshments and the use of facilities at the conference center.

Pre-Conference Tour

The cost of the Friday, April 20 tour of Asia-related sites in the Chicago area, including lunch, is approximately \$35. Those who want to participate in the tour are encouraged to make their reservations early. The exact cost will be specified in the final program that will be published on the web.

Travel Information

Travel to the Hickory Ridge Marriott Conference Hotel takes approximately 45 minutes to an hour from either Chicago airport—O'Hare or Midway. Limousine service can be reserved by calling My Chauffeur at 1-800-244-6200. Reservations must be made in advance. The cost of one-way travel to the conference center is approximately \$43 for one person, \$48 for two persons, \$54 for three persons, and \$76 for four persons excluding any tip you may give. For two or more people sharing a ride, only one reservation should be made to avail of this rate.

If you have questions about the conference, please address them to Donald Clark, ASIANetwork Board Vice-Chair and conference organizer at dclark@trinity.edu, phone (210) 999-7629 or Teddy Amoloza, Executive Director, at tamoloza@iwu.edu, phone (309) 556-3405.