

SEASSI 2004 Student Conference
July 24, 2004
Memorial Union – Conference Rooms #1 and #2.

8:30 – 10:00AM

Conference Room #1

Panel 1: Perspectives on the Changing Environment of Southeast Asia
(Discussant: Emeritus Prof. Daniel F. Doeppers, UW-Madison, Department of Geography).

1. The Loss of Traditional Environment Knowledge in Laos. *Kris Callis*, Department of Botany (Ethnobotany), North Carolina State University.
2. Forests and Plantations: Agro-forestry and Decentralized Forest Management in Island Southeast Asia. *Sarah Hitchner*, Department of Ecological Anthropology, University of Georgia.
3. The Political Ecology of Cease-fires in Kachin State, Burma. *Kevin Woods*, Department of Environment Science, Yale University.

Conference Room #2

Panel 2: Language, Gender, and Sexuality in Mainland Southeast Asia
(Discussant: Prof. Marlys Macken, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Linguistics).

1. Coordinating and subordinating compounds in North Vietnam. *James Kirby*, Department of Linguistics & Cognitive Science, University of California, San Diego.
2. Lives of Vietnamese Women Graduate Students in the U.S. *Kristy Kelly*, Department of Education Policy Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
3. Doing It Differently? Queering Gender and Sexuality. *Daniel Hidalgo*, Department of Sociology, Tulane University.

10:00 – 10:15AM Break

10:15 – 11:30AM

Conference Room #1

Panel 3: Interpretations of Philippine and Filipino American Literature
(Discussant: Prof. Victor Bascara, University Wisconsin, Madison, Department of English).

1. Liberty's a Drag: One Image of Empire. *Harrod Suarez*, Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota.

2. In Search of a (Home)Land: Locating the Filipino Queer Experience in *Dogeaters*. *Jan Bernabe*, Department of American Culture, University of Michigan.

3. "The only brunette bob this part of the world": Reclaiming Filipino/a Identity in Juan C. Laya's *His Native Soil* (1941). *Denise Cruz*, Department of English, University of California, Los Angeles.

4. F. Sionil Jose's *The God Stealer*. *Karl Federspiel*, Department of English, University of California, Fresno.

Conference Room #2

Panel 4: Economic Conditions and Political Change in Southeast Asia: Past and Present (Discussant: Erick Danzer, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Political Science).

1. Peasants, Princes, and the Plague in French Colonial Cambodia. *Sokhieng Au*, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley.

2. The Book "*The Lizard Cage*." *Karen Connelly*, Author and Creative Writing Instructor, Humber College.

3. Economic Crises and Dictatorship in Indonesia and Malaysia. *Thomas Pepinsky*, Department of Political Science, Yale University.

4. The Politics of Property Rights in Post-Suharto Indonesia. *Erick Danzer*, Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

11:45 –1:15PM Lunch in the Reception Room

Keynote Address "Film in SEA" by Prof. Karl Heider, University of South Carolina, Department of Anthropology.

1:30 – 4:30PM Conference Room #1

Panel 5: Looking into Southeast Asia.

1. Visualizing Research Methods in Southeast Asia. *Eric Haanstad*, Department of Anthropology University of Wisconsin, Madison.

2. The Power of the False in the Cinema of P. Ramlee: A Reading of *Ibu Mertuaku*. *Richard Baxstrom*, Department of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University.

3:00 –3:15PM Break

3. Fox Movietone News in 1929 Bangkok and Yogya. *Karl Heider*, Department of Anthropology, University of South Carolina.

4. Remembering Rashomon: Montage Musings on the Fate of Film Truth and the Filmmaker Subject. *Jim Hoesterey*, Department of Anthropology, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Discussant on Visuality in SE Asia (**Discussant: Prof. Kenneth George, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Anthropology**).

Conference Room #2

1:30 – 3:00PM

Panel 6: Education and Quality of Life: The Hmong in America (Facilitator: Prof. Kao-Ly Yang, Discussant: Mai Zong Vue, Refugee Program Specialist, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development).

1. Hmong Parents and Children's Perception of School Experience. *Chai Thao*, Human Development and Family Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
2. Comparison of Lifestyles of Hmong, Somalis, and Mexicans in Minnesota. *Lily Moua*, Depts. of Sociology/Anthropology and Management Studies, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

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Panel 7: Buddhism and Society in Burma and Thailand (Discussant: Prof. Charles Hallisey, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Languages and Cultures of Asia).

1. The Monk Ledi Sayadaw and the Spread of Buddhism. *Erik Braun*, Department of Religious Studies, Harvard University.
2. The Buddha that Loves Its Country. *Bryce Beemer*, History of Southeast Asia, Cornell University.
3. What makes a Buddhist? Personal Construction of Buddhism in Thailand. *Julia Cassaniti*, Committee on Human Development, University of Chicago.

4:30-5:00PM Break

Humanities – Room 1641

5:30-6:15PM Screen film "B.A.T.A.M"

6:15-6:30PM Question/Answer with anthropologist/filmmaker Johan Lindquist