

**SEASSI 2010 Student Conference  
July 24th, 9:00am-5:00pm, Pyle Center**

**Religion & Identity Among Southeast Asians: 9:00am-10:15am Room 313**

**Chair: Jeffery Boone- MA Graduate-SEA Studies, UW-Madison**

“Exploring Cultural Translation: The "Puppet Preacher" in Balinese Hinduism”

-Meghan Hynson, MA student-Ethnomusicology, UCLA

“The Ethics of Buddhist Organizing and Activism in Theory and Practice: Communication for Social and Organizational Change in Southeast Asia”

-Craig M. Pinkerton, PhD student-Communication Studies, Ohio U

“Translating Buddhism: Monks as Mediators at a Chicago Thai Temple”

-Michael Chladek, PhD student-Comparative Human Development, U. Chicago

“What is the Relationship between Religion, Culture and Identity? An Investigation of the Philippine-American Ecumenical Church, USA United Church of Christ (PAECUSA-UCC) in Detroit, Michigan”

- April Manalang, PhD student-American Culture Studies, Bowling Green State University

**Highland and Rural-State Relations in Mainland Southeast Asia: 9:00am-10:15am Room 325/326**

**Chairs: Katherine Gillogly- Assistant Professor Anthropology, UW-Parkside**

## **Clare Boulanger- Professor Anthropology, Mesa State College**

“Living on the Margins: Examining the Long-Term Effects of State-Building and the Construction of National Identity on the Hill Tribes of Thailand through the Lens of Historical Institutionalism”

-Corey L. Bechtel, PhD student- Political Science Purdue University

“The Situation of Religious Freedom in Vietnam: the Montagnard Case”

-Wendy Alejandra Medina de Loera, MA Student-SEA Studies El Colegio de Mexico, A.C.

“Lao Lum, Lao Theung, Lao Sung: a Brief Discussion of Some Common Ethnonyms in Laos”

-Chip Zuckerman, PhD student – Anthropology, U. Michigan

“Babies, Diapers and Informal Sector Work: A Case Study of Emergent Consumerism Among Rural Vietnamese Women in Hà Nội and Seoul”

-Linda Nguyen MA student-Urban and Regional Planning, UC-Irvine

## **Art, Literature and Film in Vietnam: 10:30am-11:45am Room 313**

**Chair : Ellen Rafferty- Director Center for Southeast Asian Studies, UW-Madison**

“Neither Deity nor Mass Murderer: The Ho Chi Minh in Duong Thu Huong’s *Dinh Cao Choi Loi (Au Zénith)*”

-Lan Phung, MA student SEA Studies, UW-Madison

“Hyperreal Imaginaries: Lê Huy Tiếp's Hyperrealist Paintings in the "Subsidy Period" (thời bao cấp), 1975-1986”

-Tim Shea, MA student SEA Studies, UW-Madison

“A Fragrant French Feeling? Anh Hung Tran's Postcolonial Sensuality in ‘The Scent of Green Papaya’”

-Tim August, PhD Student- Comparative Literature, U. Minnesota

## **Papers on Southeast Asian Pasts and Presents: 10:30am-11:45am Room 325/326**

**Chair: Michael Cullinane- Associate Director Center for Southeast Asian Studies, UW-Madison**

“Viva Cuba Libre, Viva las Islas Filipinas: An Analysis of the Rise of Elite Nationalism in Nineteenth-Century Colonial Cuba and Philippines”

-Maureen Cristin S. Justiniano, PhD student-History, UW-Madison

“Restoring Democracy in the Philippines: Assessing the Regime of Corazon Aquino”

- Karen Ames, MA student SEA Studies, UW-Madison

“New Media and the West Papua Movement: Political Message Construction in a Controlled Media Environment”

-Heather Akin, MA student Life Sciences Communication, UW-Madison

“The China-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement: Economic Success or Stagnation for Indonesia?”

-Danielle Fumagalli, B.A. Student- Political Science and SEA Studies, UC-Berkeley

## **12:00pm-1:30pm, Room 325/326**

**Keynote Lecture: *Reflections on Field work with the Hmong in Asia and the United States***

**-Patricia Symonds- Associate Professor of Anthropology, Brown University (box lunch provided)**

**Topics in Philippine Studies: 1:45pm-3:00pm Room 313**

**Chair: Sheila Zamar-Instructor Filipino & Philippine Literature, UH-Manoa**

“Diversity, Social Movements and the U.S. Military”

-Bryan Ziadie, PhD student-Comparative Literature, UC-Riverside

“Filipina/o American Cultural Critique: Que(e)r(y)ing the Proper Objects of Asian American Studies”

-Thomas Sarmiento, PhD Student-American Studies, U. Minnesota

“Savage Asian Bottoms in the Rice Queendom”

- Sony Bolton, PhD student-American Culture, U. Michigan-Ann Arbor

**Aspects of Hmong Culture: 1:45pm-3:00pm Room 325/326**

**Chair: Kao Ly Yang, PhD- French & Hmong lecturer, California State University of Fresno**

**Discussant: Professor Patricia Symonds- Associate Professor of Anthropology, Brown University**

“Creating Foundation for the Hmong Language and Culture”

-Seashia Vang, B.A. student- Journalism and Art (printmaking), U. Iowa

“Perspectives of Hmong College Students in California and Wisconsin on Hmong Culture”

-Soua Xiong, B.A. student- Chinese Language and Asian Studies, UC-Berkeley

“Perception of Technology Usability and Utility Among the Older Hmong Population in the U.S.”

-Mao Vang, MA Student-Communication Technology, Ohio State U

“Comparison of Hmong and Korean Pop Culture”

-Rosa Lee, B.A. student-Human Development and Asian-American Studies, UC-Davis

“Changing Aspects of Hmong Dress: A Case Study of the Impact of Ready-Made Dresses in Yunnan, China”

-Chie Miyawaki, PhD student-Anthropology, Graduate University for Advanced Studies, Osaka, Japan

**Studies of Language and Linguistics in Southeast Asia: 3:15pm-4:30pm Room 313**

**Chair: Sheila Zamar- Instructor Filipino Language and Philippine Literature, UH-Manoa**

“Filipino and Singaporean Sociolinguistic Issues in Dogeaters and Foreign Bodies “

-Jessica Gross, PhD student-Comparative Literature, UW-Madison

“Language, Identity and Nation-Building: The Case Study of Patani Malay in Southern Thailand”

- Di Wang, MA student-SEA Studies, UW-Madison

“Tone Patterns in the Mro Chin Language”

- Christina Horney, MA student-Linguistics, U. North Dakota

“Language Contact and Typology of Modality in Chabacano, Tagalog, and Hiligaynon”

-Marivic Lesho, PhD student-Linguistics, Ohio State U

**Perspectives on the History of Modern Southeast Asia** 3:15pm-4:30pm, room 325/326

**Chair: Daniel Doeppers- Professor Emeritus Geography UW-Madison**

“Rethinking Southeast Asian Cities, or: ‘Is Chiang Mai a Colonial City?’”

-Taylor Easum, PhD student-History, UW-Madison

“Reforming Vietnam's ‘Dreaded’ Sûreté Police: The Michigan State University Group and the limits of modernization theory, 1955-1962”

- Melissa Anderson PhD student-History UW-Madison

“The Discourse on Democracy within a Communist Framework: The Increasingly Dangerous History of Hoang Minh Chinh?”

- William Noseworthy, MA Student-SEA Studies UW-Madison

“Beyond Betrayal: Re-contextualizing ‘Reformers’ in Early 20th Century Vietnam”

-Cindy Nguyen, B.A. -History and SEA Studies, UCLA