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APAC Holds 1st Internship Panel



Even though it is still fairly early in the academic year, it is never too early to get a head start in finding out about summer internships.

For those first-years who are interested in acquiring internships in East Asia or related to East Asian affairs, APAC hosted its first internship panel on Government and International Organizations. Panelists consisted of second-year SIPA students who have held summer internships in various parts of East/Southeast Asia.

Discussions included how these second years were able to get their internships and advice on ways first year students may approach the internship search process. The panelists'

internships included work at the political section of the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, the International Crisis Group in Seoul, and with various UN agencies throughout Asia. APAC will hold more internship and career panels throughout the year, so keep an eye out for fliers of future events!



Up and Coming Events...

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WEAI Faculty Lunch

- Meet and have lunch with our first faculty guest
- Prof. Gray Tuttle, Tibetan Studies Department
- *Tuesday, October 11, 12-1 pm, Faculty House 4th Floor*
(See Prof. Tuttle's profile inside! Pg. 5)
To RSVP: e-mail Amy at asa6

- **Japan Film Series (The Cinema of Hayao Miyazaki) #2: *Nausicaa of the Valley of Wind***
Pizza will be served.
Wednesday, October 19, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, IAB 918

Nihon Benkyo Kai /Japan Exchange Forum (NBK/JEF)

- **Lecture: “One Hundred Way of Looking at a Frog: Haiku as Cultural Prism”**
Hiroaki Sato, translator, columnist and essayist for The Japan Times
Monday, October 3, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, IAB 918
- **Language Table #2**
Social activity TBA to follow!
Friday, October 21, 4:00 - 6:00 pm, IAB 918

Zhongwen Luntan /China Forum

- **Movie Night (film TBA)**
Wednesday, October 12, 6:00 – 8:00, IAB 918
- **Language Table #2**
Friday, October 14, 5:00 - 7:00 pm, IAB 918

Questions? Suggestions? Write your PAs!

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Lisa's Friendly Column

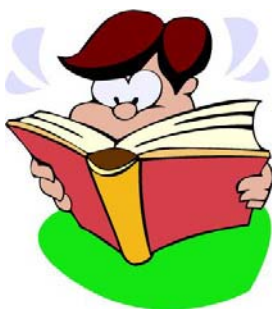


Just a month ago SIPA was coming to life after a summer of hibernation. The campus was full of new faces, new friendships and the reaffirming of old ones. Now, as we usher in October, there is a growing sense of familiarity. Schedules are in place, and we all bustle to and fro with a new sense of purpose.

As APAC Program Assistants, we have been so pleased that you have found the time to join us in our activities. Our welcome meeting, internship panel, and movie night were great successes thanks to your involvement!

This is just the beginning. Expect our newsletters, social activities, and career events to continue with regularity throughout the year. We so appreciate your input and participation. Please keep your thoughts coming! We look forward to continuing our dialogues both inside and out of Room 918!

Best,
Lisa, Amy and Kevin



From the Director of the Weatherhead Institute:

Welcome back! At the beginning of this new academic year, I want to share with you some of the exciting news about the Weatherhead East Asian Institute. We have many public events scheduled for the coming year including a half-day workshop on China's rise and its regional impact, and a full-day conference on China's energy and environment. Our visitors programs are quite active this year with more than two dozen scholars



and professional fellows from the region. But more importantly, WEAI has a first-class faculty that offers a wide-range of courses on East Asia. Several new members have joined the East Asian studies faculty. In addition, senior visiting professor Hadi Soesastro from Indonesia teaches a course on contemporary political economy in Southeast Asia.

We always look for ways to interact with you and have you participate in our programs. As the director of the Institute, I shall be happy to welcome you on the 9th floor of IAB.

Are you...

- *Interested or curious about Asia?*
- *Looking to get involved?*

Then come to our Volunteer Meeting
Wednesday, Oct. 5th at noon
to learn how you can contribute!

WEAI Brownbag Lunch Lectures

The Brownbag Lectures at the Weatherhead East Asian Institute feature scholars, policy makers, journalists and activists who are engaged in research on East and Southeast Asia. These talks, which are open to everyone, take place virtually everyday — Monday through Thursday — from 12:00 – 1:30 pm in 918 IAB unless otherwise noted.

Monday, October 3rd

"The Political Dynamics of War Memory in Japan"

Franziska Seraphim, Assistant Professor,
History Department, Boston College

Wednesday, October 12th

"Building Ladders Out of Chains: China's Technological Development under Globalization"

Doug Fuller, Stanford Project on Regions of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (SPRIE)
Asia Pacific Research Center, Stanford University

Tuesday, October 18th

"Structural Change in the Financial Sector after the 1997-98 Financial Crisis in Korea"

Joon Kyun-Kim, Vice President for
Macroeconomic and Financial Policy, Korea Development Institute

Monday, October 24th

"'History Issues' and Japan-Korea Relations: An Update"

Soon-Won Park, Department of History,
Howard University

Events at Columbia

Thursday, October 6th

WEAI Special Lecture: Korean Influences in Japanese Culture: "Revisiting the 'Horseriders' and Other Issues in Early Japanese History"

Gary Ledyard, Columbia University
Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM
Location: 403 Kent Hall

Part 1 of a 3 Part Lecture Series

Presented in partnership with The Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture and the Center for Korean Research

Thursday, October 27th

WEAI Special Lecture: Korean Influences in Japanese Culture: "The Japanese 'Discovery' of Korea(ns): Becoming Visible, 1590-1700"

Ronald Toby, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

6:00 PM-7:00 PM

403 Kent Hall

Part 2 of a 3 Part Lecture Series

Presented in partnership with The Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture and the Center for Korean Research

Events around Town

Performance: Ko Murobushi & Edge Co. in Handsome Blue Sky (Bibo no Aozora)

Date: Thursday, October 6 – Saturday, October 8, 7:30 pm

Location: Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street

Admission: \$35/\$30 Japan Society members

Contact: <http://www.japansociety.org>

One of the best known and acclaimed butoh artists in the world returns to the Japan Society. Ko Murobushi performs his latest work *Handsome Blue Sky (Bibo no Aozora)*, with three male dancers from his Edge Co. Taking its title from one of Tatsumi Hijikata's essays, the piece is an homage to this founder of butoh. Known as the leading inheritor of Hijikata's original vision of butoh, Ko performed extensively throughout Europe and South America during the 1980s; this program marks his long-awaited U.S. debut with his company's work. (from www.japansociety.org)

The Kai-Yin Lo Distinguished Program Series Lecture: "A New Vision: Edwin Chan with Henry Cobb"

Date: Thursday, October 6, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: Asia Society, 725 Park Avenue

Admission: \$10 members; \$15 nonmembers; \$7 students/faculty w/ID

Contact: 212-517-ASIA

Noted architect and designer Chan, Partner in Design at Gehry Partners, LLP, discusses his work and how architecture can impact cultural, economic and social development, both locally and globally. Born in Hong Kong, his numerous projects range from a new museum complex in Hong Kong, the Nationale Nederlanden Office Building in Prague, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao and the Condé Nast Cafeteria in New York to designing the Art of Motorcycle traveling exhibition for the Guggenheim Museum and set designs for the Los Angeles Opera. Reception follows. This series provides a platform for discussing the role of arts and culture in society. (from www.asiasociety.org)

Film: “Out of This World” (Kono yo no soto e – Club Shinchugun)

Date: Sunday, October 9, 2:00 pm

Location: Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street

Admission: \$10; Japan Society members, seniors & students \$6

Contact: <http://www.japansociety.org>

Against a postwar backdrop of chaos and hope, five young Japanese musicians play jazz at American military clubs, grudgingly befriending their former enemies. Trying to please raucous G.I.s or backing up strippers, they make American music their own. Featuring a glorious sound track of jazz standards and an all-star Japanese cast joined by Peter Mullan, a Cannes Best Actor winner. Director Junji Sakamoto introduces his film at the Japan Society. (from www.japansociety.org)

Performance: Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 8:00 pm

Location: Avery Fisher Hall, 10 Lincoln Center Plaza

Admission: \$35-68

Contact: <http://www.lincolncenter.org>

The leading professional Chinese instrumental ensemble of the world, the 85-strong **Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra** returns to New York's Avery Fisher Hall with large-scale masterpieces by Chinese composers Tan Dun, Zhao Jiping, and Peng Xiuwen.

The Chinese Orchestra a modern adaptation that extends the Chinese traditional instrumental ensemble from an average of 10 instrumentalists to 80 players, is modeled after the Western orchestra, with a similar layout and instrument sections, including some lower string instruments that were specially adapted from their Western counterparts and modernized and fortified Chinese wind instruments. On the other hand, it has developed a repertoire that is distinctly varied: from harmonized folk song arrangements of the 1950s and 1960s, epoch-making revolutionary works of the Cultural Revolution, to avant-garde and modern works by the current generation of Chinese composers. (from www.theatermania.com)

Performance: “China’s Land of Clouds– Music and Dance of Yunnan”

Date: Friday, October 14, 8:00 – 10:00 pm

Location: Symphony Space, 2537 Broadway

Admission: \$27 members; \$32 nonmembers; \$15 students w/ID

Contact: 212-545-7536

With this moving performance, New Yorkers have a rare opportunity to see indigenous traditions from the spectacular land of Yunnan, which borders Tibet, Burma, Laos and Vietnam. Featured are fifteen dancers and musicians representing the Yi, Naxi, Wa and Dai ethnic minorities in southwest China. Touring the US for the first time, these master artists, dressed in richly embroidered costumes, play a fascinating array of stringed instruments, flutes and drums, and perform stunning ritual dances. (from www.asiasociety.org)

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WEAI Faculty in Profile:

Dr. Gray Tuttle inaugurated as Chair of Modern Tibetan Studies



On September 26, in front of a packed audience of students, professors and other interested guests, Professor Gray Tuttle was officially inaugurated as the new Leila Hadley Luce Professor of Modern Tibetan studies here at Columbia University. The event, held at Lerner Hall, was followed by a forum on *Future Directions in Modern Tibetan Studies* led by Professor Robert Barnett (Columbia) along with other scholars from various universities.

Professor Tuttle received his Ph.D. in Inner Asian Studies at Harvard in 2002. His studies include the history of twentieth century Sino-Tibetan relations as well as Tibet's relations with the China-based Manchu Qing empire. In his book, titled *Tibetan Buddhists in the Making of Modern China* (Columbia University Press, 2005), he examines the failure of nationalism



and race-based ideology to maintain the Tibetan territory of the former Qing empire as integral to the Chinese nation-state.

This semester, he is teaching a course titled “Competing Nationalisms in East Asia: Representing Chinese and Tibetan Relations in History”.

The Modern Tibetan Studies Program, part of Columbia’s Integrated Tibetan Studies Initiative, is the first program in the West dedicated to teaching the society, history, culture and economics of modern Tibet.



APAC’s First Faculty Lunch ***with*** **Professor Gray Tuttle**

Meet and have lunch with Prof. Tuttle – on us!

When: Tuesday, October 11, 12-1pm

Where: Faculty House, 4th floor

RSVP: asa6@columbia.edu

Spaces are limited!



East Asia Opportunities

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship at Centre of Southeast Asian Studies, Monash Asia Institute

The Centre of Southeast Asian Studies seeks to appoint a Postdoctoral Research Fellow to conduct research on all or part of Southeast Asia from any disciplinary or interdisciplinary perspective and to prepare their research for publication. Fixed-term appointment for 11 months from January 2006. Relevant PhD and knowledge of research languages essential; Southeast Asian field experience, a record of publication and grants desirable.

Salary range: \$53,069-\$56,965 pa Level A PhD plus superannuation; Duration: Eleven-month appointment; Location: Clayton campus; Contact: Dr. Penny Graham on 9905 2994 or email penny.graham@arts.monash.edu.au.
Ref No: A056171

Applications close: Monday, 31 October 2005
Applications: By email to the above contact or by mail addressed to:

Dr. Penny Graham
Director, Centre of Southeast Asian Studies
School of Political and Social Inquiry
Faculty of Arts, Monash University
Building 11, Clayton Vic
3800, Australia

Full application and details available at:
<http://sssd.adm.monash.edu.au/employ/job.asp?refnumber=A056171>

Vietnam and the West: New Approaches

The Department of History and the International Center at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury, CT is pleased to announce that a conference on new approaches to the history of Vietnamese relations with the West will be held here in Danbury, CT from December 2-4, 2005. We welcome innovative scholarly approaches to this topic from a variety of disciplines, including but not limited to history, art history, political science, anthropology, and literature. Potential topics could include, but are not limited to: trade, missionaries, religion and

religious conversion, diplomacy, French Indochina, the U.S.-Vietnam war, overseas Vietnamese, and recent changes in attitudes about the West.

Please submit abstracts by email or postal mail by October 1, 2005 to:

Wynn Wilcox
Dept. of History and Non-Western Cultures
181 White St.
Danbury, CT 06810 USA
Email: wilcoxw@wcsu.edu

Asia-related Student Groups

Below is a list of student groups that operate independently under the APAC umbrella. If you are interested in getting involved in one of these groups, please contact them.

China Forum/Zhongwen Luntan

Kelly McAskill (kam2125), Vanessa Pu (vp2120), Martin Oredsson (mlo2104), Ken Lee (jl2035), Lisa Karz (ltk2103)

Greater China Initiative (GCI)

Yi Su (ys2179), Qinghong Zou (qz2108)

Korea Focus

Christina Hwang (jh2383), Mike Park (mlp2115)

Nihon Benkyokai/Japan Exchange Forum

Lucia Vancura (lv2128), Ryoko Nakamura (rm2102), Kevin Burgwinkle (kjb2111), Kazuhiko Shimizu (ks2292), Shoko Nakagawa (sn2156), Haruko Kamei (hk2228), Nozomi Hashimoto (nh2126), Daisuke Kishi (dk339), Martin Oredsson (mlo2104)

Southeast Asia Student Initiative (SEASI)

Michael Roston (mr2302), Kathleen Keiser (kek2112)

From time to time, *APAC News* will compile internship and employment opportunities for its readers. If you would like to advertise an East Asia-related position, please send an email to asa6@columbia.edu.