The Ninth International Conference on Thai Studies
Northern Illinois University
April 3 – 6, 2005

Sunday April 3, 2005
12:00 p.m.
Check-in and Registration
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Session A: Plenary session
2:00 p.m.
Opening and Welcome
Altgeld Hall, Auditorium, 2nd floor
Arlene B. Neher, Conference director, Northern Illinois University
John G. Peters, President Northern Illinois University
H.E. Kasit Piromya, The Royal Thai Ambassador to the United States of America
Darryl N. Johnson, former United States Ambassador to the Royal Thai Kingdom
Susan D. Russell, Director, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Northern Illinois University
Clark D. Neher, Professor emeritus, Northern Illinois University
M. Ladd Thomas, Professor, Department of Political Science, Northern Illinois University

2:30-4:00 p.m.
Keynote speaker
Chaiwat Satha-anand, Thammasat University

Session B
4:00-6:30 p.m.
B1: Crisis and Conflict in Thailand’s Deep South
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Understanding conflicts in the Thai South through domestic politics
Duncan McCargo, University of Leeds

Thaksin’s Achilles Heel: why did the South go wrong?
Ukrit Pathmanand, Chulalongkorn University

Cultural Politics and Violence in Southern Thailand
Wattana Sugunnasil, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

The Myths and Realities of ‘Violence’ in Southern Thailand
May Tan-Mullins, National University of Singapore

Quandary of Southern conflict: Structural or Ideological Accounts?
Srisomph Jitpiromsri and Panyasak Sophondwasu, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Patterns of conflict and paths to peace in Southern Thailand: a comparative view
Joern Dosch, University of Leeds

Moderator
Duncan McCargo, University of Leeds
Sunday

B2: Thai Language Change: New Idioms, New Media
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

E-Thai: Thai Language in the New Millennium
Yuphaphann Hoonchamlong, University of Hawaii

The dynamic use of Thai idiomatic expressions
Chiraporn Patrapanupat, Chulalongkorn University

Analysis of Content and Language in Isan Comedy Shows
Dusadee Kongsombut, Mahasarakham University

Campus graffiti in Thai universities as an alternative communication venue: a study of gender changes, marginalization, discrimination, oppression and resistance among Thai university students
Sirach Lapyai, Rangsit University

Moderator
Carol J. Compton, University of Wisconsin, Madison

B3: Permeable Borders: Migrants, Refugees and the Re-configuration of 'Thailand'/Gendered Experiences of International Migration
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Re-Imagining Nation: Women’s Rights and the Transnational Movement of Shan Women in Thailand and Burma
Pinkaew Laungramsri, Chiang Mai University

Narratives of Border-Crossing: Thai Migrant Workers in the Making of Singapore’s Underworld
Pattana Kitiarsa, National University of Singapore

Women and Trans-national Migration: Voices of “Mia-Farang” from Rural Northeastern Thailand
Ratana Tosakul-Boonmathya, Mahidol University, Salaya

Dreaming in the Shadows of Affluence
Prapairat Mix, Amnesty for Women Städtegruppe Hamburg e.V.

‘My Home is Here and There’: Thai Migrant Women in the Netherlands
Panitee Suksomboon, Leiden University

Moderator
Charles Keyes, University of Washington, Seattle

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Reception hosted by the Royal Thai Consulate-Chicago,
Chet Dherapattana, Consul General
Auditorium, Altgeld Hall, Second Floor
Monday April 4, 2005

8:00 a.m.
Registration and Check-in
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Session C: Plenary session
8:30-9:30 a.m.
The Asia Foundation Roundtable Discussion: Crisis in the South
Chaiwat Satha-anand, Thammasat University
Panitan Wattanayagorn, Chulalongkorn University
Surin Pitsuwan, The Asia Foundation
John Brandon, The Asia Foundation - Moderator

Session D
9:45-11:45 a.m.
D1: Violence in the South
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Interpreting the Conflict in the South
Robert B. Albritton, University of Mississippi

Poverty of the Thai Muslims in the South of Thailand: A Case of Pattani
Sirirat Taneerananon, Prince of Songkla University

Buddhism at Risk, The Land of Smile, The Violent Nation in Crisis
Cholthira Satyawadhna, Rangsit University and Harvard University

Violence in Southern Thailand: Implications between Youth in Bangkok and youth in a Southern Province
Alisa Hasamoh, Chulalongkorn University

Moderator
Wattana Sugunnasil, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

D2: Appropriations of the Past and the Distant: The Dynamics of Thai Identity Politics
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

A Thai Prince Journeys to Angkor: Encounters with a Hybrid Past
Alexandra Denes, Cornell University

Appropriations of the Appropriate: Policy and Politeness in the Negotiation of Power at Pom Mahakan, 2002-04
Michael Herzfeld, Harvard University

In-Appropriations: Siam's Anti-colonial Imperialism in the Malay Muslim South
Tamara Loos, Cornell University

Appropriation as Conquest in Buddhist Architecture
Worrasit Tantinipankul, Cornell University

National Mythos, Historical Narrative, and a Swift Kick in the Head: Muay Thai Boxing and the Celebration of Thai Masculinity
Peter Vail, Georgetown University

Co-Conveners
Alexandra Denes, Cornell University and Michael Herzfeld, Harvard University
**D3: The Blurring of the Thai-Burmese Border**  
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

- **A Zinme (Chiang Mai) Tradition in Myanmar: Questioning the Origin of a Burmese Ritual Dedicated to the Nine Planets**  
  Catherine Raymond, Northern Illinois University

- **Impacts of Thai-Burmese Border Politics on the Indigenous Peoples: A Case of Mon Sanctuary in Thailand’s Westernmost District of Sangkhlaburi**  
  Juajan Wongpolganan, Thammasat University

- **Citizens, migrants, health & health care on the Thai-Myanmar border**  
  Peter Kunstadter and Chalee Juntakanbandit, Naresuan University

- **Illegal Immigration from Burma: Thailand’s Perspective**  
  Vasu Srivarathonbul, Northern Illinois University

**Moderator**  
Catherine Raymond, Northern Illinois University

**D4: Resistance to the Grip of Gender Ideologies in Lowland (Urban) Thailand**  
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

- **Sexual Politics in the Thai Women’s Movement**  
  Kritaya Archavanitkul, Mahidol University at Salaya and Kanokwan Tharawan, The Royal Thai Ministry of Public Health, and University of California, Santa Cruz

- **Structural Violence against Women: Buddhism in Thailand**  
  Dhammananda bhikkhuni (Dr. Chatsumarn Kabilsingh), Songdhammakalyani Temple

- **The Intimate Economies of Gender in Thailand**  
  Ara Wilson, Ohio State University

- **Growing up in a Transitional Society: A Study on Gender Differences and Changes in Body Image, Perceptions of the Young Thai Generation**  
  Chulanee Thianthai, Chulalongkorn University

- **Gender, Sexuality and Health among Thai Muslim Youth**  
  Amporn Marddent, Mahidol University

**Discussant**  
Chalidaporn Songsamphan, Thammasat University

**Moderator**  
Marjorie Muecke, University of Washington, Seattle

**D5: Particularity of Civil Society in Thailand**  
Room 506, Holmes Student Center

- **Changes in the Thai Political Dynamics: An Emergence of the Middle Class in an Electronic Age**  
  Snea Thinsan and Poom Moolsilpa, Indiana University

- **Critical perspectives on Thai broadcasting policymaking and media liberalization**  
  Chalisa Magpanthong, Prince of Songkla University
Monday

Cooperate Community Group (CCGs), Decentralization, and Local Governments in Thailand
Chandra-nuj Mahakanjana, National Institute of Development Administration

Civil society: rural expressions of an urban keyword
Lotte Isager, University of Copenhagen

Studying Village Civil Society (Prachakhom) in North-Eastern Thailand for The Development of Communities toward Establishment of Civil Society (Prachasangkhom)
Noriyuki Suzuki and Keeratiporn Sritanyarat, University of the Ryukyus

Socially Engaged Buddhism in Northeast Thailand
Sakurai Yoshihide, Hokkaido University

Moderator
Gary Suwannarat, Independent scholar

12:00 p.m.
Lunch for Conference Registrants
Ballroom, Holmes Student Center

Session E: Plenary session
12:30 –1:30 p.m.

Thailand’s Relations with the World
Surin Pitsuwan, The Asia Foundation

Session F
1:45-3:45 p.m.

F1/G1 (Double panel): Chaiwat Satha-anand: Human Rights and Buddhist-Muslim Relations in Thailand
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Chaiwat and the Study of Violence in the Muslim south of Thailand: A Critical Exegesis
Saroja Dorairajoo, National University of Singapore

The Tablighi Jamaat in Thailand
Alexander Horstmann, Institut für Ethnologie, University of Münster

Exploring Non-Violence in the context of Buddhist-Muslim Relations
Karel Kersten, Payap University

Troubles in the Deep South: Importance of External Linkages?
John Funston, Australian National University

Reexamining Political Violence in South Thailand
Omar Farouk Bajunid, Hiroshima City University

Reflections on the Current Difficulties in South Thailand
Uthai Dulyakasem, Walailak University

Merging Ethics and Research in South Thailand: Is it Possible?
Raymond Scupin, Lindenwood University
Discussant
Chaiwat Satha-anand, Thammasat University

Conveners
Raymond Scupin, Lindenwood University and Alexander Horstmann, Institut für Ethnologie, University of Münster

Moderator
Raymond Scupin, Lindenwood University

F2: What is in a Name: Historical Linguistics
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

Place Naming of the Thais and the Zhuangs
Maneephin Phromsuthirak, Silpakorn University

Linguistic Evidence, Historical Conclusion: Toponyms of Khmer and Mon Origins in Peninsular Thailand
Daoruang Wittayarat, Chulalongkorn University

Ethnicity and early Tai (Thai) history
Maria Kekki, University of Helsinki

Renaming: Rebirth in Thai Society
Somchai Sumniengngam, Silpakorn University

Moderator
John Hartmann, Northern Illinois University

F3: Tradition and Health
Room 506, Holmes Student Center

Whispering Teeth: Nutrition Health of Wooden-Coffin People in the Pang Ma Pha Cave Sites, Northwestern Thailand
Supaporn Nakbunlung and Sukhontha Wathanawareekool, Chiang Mai University

A Construction of Buddhist Principle for Consumer Protection on Health and Drug of Thailand
Suntharee T. Chaisumritchoke, Thammasat University

The ‘Revival’ of Thai Traditional Medicine and Local Practice: Villagers’ Reaction to the Promotion of Thai Massage in Northern Thailand
Junko Iida, Kawasaki University of Medical Welfare

Translation of Lanna Medicinal Plant Recipes for Research and Development of Modern Pharmaceuticals and the Understanding of the Lanna Thai Cultures and Histories
Jiradej Manosroi and Aranya Manosroi, Chiang Mai University

Body, Discourse, and Power in Childbirth
Arattha Rangpueng, Mahidol University

Moderator
Sue Darlington, Hampshire College
**F4: History and Memory**
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

*King Mongkut (r. 1851-1868) and the Creation of a Modern Thai State*
Constance M. Wilson, University of Washington

*The Monarchy in Modern Thailand: Invented Tradition or Ancient Institution?*
Giles Ji Ungpakorn, Chulalongkorn University

*History after 1976: The reception of Nidhi Eoseewong’s Pen and Sail*
Chris Baker, Independent scholar

*Mediating Memories of the 1970s in Thai Cinema*
Sudarat Musikawong, University of California, Santa Cruz

*Moderator and Discussant*
Thongchai Winichakul, University of Wisconsin, Madison

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**F5: The Vicissitudes of Thai Buddhism and Changing Realities: Contesting Forms, Meanings and Practices**
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

*‘Bad boys, bad boys, watcha gonna do? Watcha gonna do when they come for you?’ – Police monks (Tamruat Phra): The Thai Sangha’s covert disciplinary enforcement agency*
Julian Kusa, Australian National University

*Sacred Fury, Sacred Duty*
Michael K. Jerryson, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Sexuality in Thai Buddhist Scripture*
Kulavir P. Pipat, Chiang Mai University

*The Emergence of Female-Monk Terms in Thai and Change in the Thai Cognitive World*
Amara Prasirathastsint, Chulalongkorn University

*Moderator and Discussant*
Grant Olson, Northern Illinois University

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**Session G**
4:00-5:45 p.m.

**F1/G1 (Double panel): Chaiwat Satha-anand: Human Rights and Buddhist-Muslim Relations in Thailand (continued)**
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

**G2: Moving Ethnicities across the Greater Mekhong**
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

*Really Need a Temple? - The Lue as Flexible Buddhists*
Shih-chung Hsieh, National Taiwan University

*Negotiating Ethnicities: Thai-Isan Selves; Thai-Isan Regionalities*
Alyson Brody, SOAS University of London
Monday

**Akha Community Power for the Economic of Sufficiency in Thailand**
Kanokrat Yossakrai, Thammasat University

**Resistance and Violence: The Everyday Life of a Frontier Community in Northeastern Thailand**
Suchada Thaweesit, Ubon Ratchathani University

**Reconceptualizing Community: Shifting Contexts of the Lisu in Northern Thailand**
Joseph Rickson, Chiang Mai University

**Moderator and Discussant**
Deborah Tooker, LeMoyne College

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**G3: Reading Culture: The Un/Making of the Arts**
Room 506, Holmes Student Center

Making Literature (Wannakhadi) an Art (Sinlapa): Politics and Poetics of Knowledge in Siam/Thailand (1910s-1950s)
Thanapol Limapichart, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Methodology for the Study of Buddhist Art
Piriya Krairiksh, Thammasat University

An Investigation in Thailand's History of Communication: The Interplay of Orality and Literacy
Netnapit Tasakorn, University of Toronto

The Development of Theatre Criticism in Thailand: A Research Project
Parichat Jungwiwattanaporn, University of Hawaii

Abandoning the Paradigms, Inventing the Possibilities: The Fiction of Prabda Yoon
Susan F. Kepner, University of California, Berkeley

**Moderator**
Charles Keyes, University of Washington

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**G4: Five-Hundred Carts of Tricks: Activism, Politics, and Thai Women**
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

Situating Rural Women’s Activism: Difference, Discourse and Dissent
LeeRay M. Costa, Hollins University

Women and Labor Activism: Struggle, Power and Pleasure
Mary Beth Mills, Colby College

Exercising and Politicizing: Provincial Women’s Groups and Local Thai Politics
Thamora Fishel, California State University, Long Beach

**Discussant**
Ara Wilson, Ohio State University

**Moderator**
LeeRay M. Costa, Hollins University
Monday

G5: Thaksin’s Policies: Rhetoric or Reality?
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Worawut Mee Smuthkalin, Stanford University

“Give Up and Get Out; Get Caught or Get Killed”: Control and Order in Thailand’s Drug Suppression Campaign
Eric J. Haanstad, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Pro-Poor Populist Policies under Thaksin: Rhetoric or Reality?
Erik Kuhonta, McGill University and Alex Mutebi, National University of Singapore

Developing CEO-Style governors
Nisada Wedchayanon, National Institute of Development Administration

Is Thaksin a Really Strong Leader? Elite Disunity and Challenge from the Mass under the Guise of Absolute Power
Katewadee Kulabkaew and May Tan Mullins, National University of Singapore

If you can’t say anything nice about Thaksin…
Daniel Unger, Northern Illinois University

Moderator and Discussant
Bidhya Bowornwathana, Chulalongkorn University

6:00 p.m.
Dinner on Your Own

Session H: Plenary session
7:00 –8:15 p.m.
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

The Power of Law and Women’s Presence in Thaksin’s Era

Keynote speaker
Virada Somsawasdi, Chiang Mai University

Session I
8:30-10:00 p.m.
I1: Round Table Discussion
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Understanding Muslim Southern Thailand: Past, Present and Future
Ahmad Somboon Bualuang, Prince of Songkhla University
Alisa Hasamoh, Chulalongkorn University
Chavivun Prachuabmoh, Thammasat University
M. Ladd Thomas, Northern Illinois University
Mala Sathian, University Malaya
Surat Horachaikul, Chulalongkorn University

Moderator
Saroja Dorairajoo, National University of Singapore
Monday 10

I2: Buddhism in Modern Contexts
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

- *Looking at America to Turn Back Modernizing Thai Society: An Analytical Perspective of Phra Prommakunaporn (P.A. Payutto)*
  Dhanapon Somwang, Sripatum University

- *Buddhist ideas of impermanence and the psychology of causal attribution in Northern Thailand*
  Julia Cassaniti, University of Chicago

- *The Regionalization of Local Buddhist Saints: Amulet and Crime and Violence in Post WW II Thai Society*
  Chalong Soontravanich, Chulalongkorn University

*Moderator and Discussant*
Grant Olson, Northern Illinois University

I3: Made and Remade in Thailand: The Circulation of Artifacts, Bodies and Knowledge
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

- *Gift and Counter-gift of Information Between “Holdors of Knowledge”: The Remaking of a Karen “Eco-tradition”*
  Abigaël Pesse, University of Paris X – Nanterre

- *From Northeast rice fields to Bangkok: The Circulation of Pugilistic Bodies. The Thai Nation at Stake on the Rings of Thai Boxing*
  Stéphane Renesson, University of Paris X – Nanterre

- *“Traditional” Handicraft to Weave “National Identities”; Weaving in Thailand and Lao P.D.R.*
  Annabel Vallard, University of Paris X – Nanterre

*Discussant*
Michael Herzfeld, Harvard University

*Moderator*
Stéphane Renesson, University of Paris X – Nanterre

I5: Contesting Gender Roles, Reframing Identities
Room 506, Holmes Student Center

- *The Gender Ghetto and Sexual Minorities: What “toms” and “dees” can tell us about the importance of gender and sexuality for social analysis in Thailand*
  Megan Sinnott, Yale University

- *Standing in the Shadows: Matrilocality and the Role of Women in Village Politics in Northern Thailand*
  Katherine Bowie, University of Wisconsin-Madison

- *Woman Human Rights Defenders*
  Sabrina Gyorvary and Romyen Kosaiakanont, Chiang Mai University

- *Doing Feminism on Our Home Ground: A Case Study from Thailand*
  Sinith Sittirak, Thammasat University

*Moderator and Discussant*
Katherine Bowie, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Tuesday April 5, 2005
8:00 a.m.
Check-in and Registration
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Session J: Plenary session
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Thaksin: Wide Angle

Keynote speaker
Pasuk Phongpaichit, Chulalongkorn University

Session K
9:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
K1: Traversing Across Moving Frontiers: Mobilities, Histories, and the Production of Identities across the Southern Thai Social Landscape
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Living at the border between “Orang Cina” and “luukchin”: The Chinese on the East Coast of the Thai-Malaysian borderland
Kazue Takamura, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies

A Muslim guardian spirit in a Buddhist Kingdom: Thuat Krai, Cosmos and Islam in Klai, Nakhon Si Thammarat
Alexander Horstmann, Institut für Ethnologie, University of Münster

Can the Dead Speak?: The Politics of Forgetting in a Violent Landscape
Muhammad Arafat bin Mohamad, National University of Singapore

In the Shadow of Cement Gods: Mobilities and Politics of Monumentality in a Malaysian village
Irving C. Johnson, National University of Singapore

Nooraa: Cult of the Long Khru
Jason L. Conerly, Northern Illinois University

Moderator and Discussant
Irving C. Johnson, National University of Singapore

K2: Thai Literary Classics and their Emulations
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Atthakhatha Jataka: The Relation to Thai Literature and Society
Saiwaroon Noinimit, Silpakorn University

The Inheritance of Classical Thai Literature on Contemporary Children’s Literature
Ruenruthai Sujjapun, Ramkhamhaeng University

Janapriyaanantakal: Audiences Affect the Adaptation of ‘Aphai Mani Saga’
Pram Sounsamut, Chulalongkorn University
Tuesday

A Comparison of Relative Clauses in the Sukhothai Inscription I and in documents of King Rama IV’s Documents
Natchanan Yaowapat, Chulalongkorn University

Moderator
Cholthira Satyawadhna, Rangsit University and Harvard University

K3: Nation and Gender in the New Thai Cinema
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

“Lak-ka-pid-lak-ka-perd (sometimes closed-sometimes open): The In-Between Space in Apichartpong Weerasethakul’s Films”
Sopawan Boonnimitra, Chulalongkorn University

Suriyothai’s International Make-Over
Adam Knee, Ohio University

Discussant
Chalida Uabumrungjit, Thai Film Foundation

Moderator
Adam Knee, Ohio University

K4: Identity, History, Economy, and Place
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

Local History of the Lower North of Thailand In the First Half of the Twentieth Century
Jiraporn Stapanawatana, Naresuan University

Social History of Modernity in Rural Chiang Mai Province, Thailand
Kriangsak Chetpatanavanich, Chiang Mai University

The Way of Self Sufficient of Isan People in the Chi Basin
Jaruwan Thammawat, Mahasarakham University

Local Community Network in Identity Construction and its Reproduction in Natural Resource Management: A Case Study from the Lower Mun River Basin, Northeast Thailand
Sommai Chinnak, Ubon Ratchathani University

The Roles and the Perspectives of a Sociologist in Urban Planning and Implementation Processes : A case study of the planning of Thachnang-Thaprachan, an old area of inner Bangkok
Jirapa Worasiangsuk, Thammasart University

Discussant
Anan Ganjanapan, Chiang Mai University

Moderator
Jennifer Weidman, Northern Illinois University

Lunch on Your Own

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Masks of Southeast Asia Exhibit, Open House, and Meet the Director, Ann Wright-Parsons
Anthropology Museum, Stevens Building
(Beverages Served)
Tuesday

Session L
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

L1: Separating and Integrating Factors in the South
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Broadcasting, the South and the State
Annette Hamilton, University of New South Wales

Pondok Schools and Malay-Muslim Nationalism
Jason Johnson, Northern Illinois University

The Contribution of Malaysian Universities Towards Human Resource Development Among Southern Thai Muslims: The Case of the Islamic University Malaysia International
Sidek Baba, International Islamic University Malaysia

Balancing Minorities – A Study of Southern Thailand
Linda True, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University

What Differences Can the Elite of Minorities Make: The case of Wadah Group and the Violence in Thailand’s Three Southernmost Provinces
Daungyewa Utaresint, Northern Illinois University

Cross Cultural Interactions at the Border at Takbai
Maren Schoenfelder, Hamburg University

Moderator
Duncan McCargo, University of Leeds

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L2: Tourism
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

Waters of Modernity: Tourism, Change and Continuity in the Songkran Festival, Chiang Mai, Thailand
Ploysri Porananond, Sheffield Hallam University

Unseen Thailand?: Touristic Practices in Chiangmai and Phuket
Alden Wilfredo Q. Lauzon, University of the Philippines

Changing Identity in an Historic City in Thailand
Fonvunjuntr Srijuntr, Arizona State University

Moderator
Sue Darlington, Hampshire College

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L3: Geo-political Economics in Post-Crisis, Post-911 Thailand
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Thailand and the New Imperialism
Peter F. Bell, State University of New York, Purchase

Three Southeast Asian Victims of 9/11: The ‘War on Terrorism’ in the Philippines, Indonesia, and Thailand
Jim Glassman, University of British Columbia

Populism/Authoritarianism: The Politics of Governance under Thai Rak Thai
Kevin Hewison, University of North Carolina and Kanishka Jayasuriya, Murdoch University
Harnessing Suwannaphum: Thailand’s Foreign Economic Policy toward Mainland Southeast Asia in the Era of Thaksin
Paul Chambers, University of Oklahoma

Thaksin’s ‘Economic Cooperation Strategy’ (ECS) and Thailand’s Endeavor for Regional Clout
Alex Mutebi, National University of Singapore

Co-Conveners
Peter F. Bell, State University of New York, Purchase and Jim Glassman, University of British Columbia

Moderator
Peter F. Bell, State University of New York, Purchase

L4/M4 (Double panel): Redefining Otherness
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Dissolution of the Tribal Research Institute: Have “Hill Tribe Others” Become “Thai Us”?
Kwanchewan Buadaeng, Chiang Mai University

Otherwise Others in Thailand: Hmong in the Thai Marketplace
Patricia Symonds, Brown University

Who are they/we the Karen?
Yoko Hayami, Kyoto University

The Process of Marginalization and the Representation of Identity among the Yunnanese Muslims in Northern Thailand
Liulan Wang, Kyoto University

Creating the Other: Defining the Contemporary Thai
Ronald D. Renard, Independent scholar

Thai but not Tai: Shan in Thailand
Nicola Tannenbaum, Lehigh University

Changing Meaning of the Elderly in Nan province, Northern Thailand From “Khon Tao Khon Kae” to “Phu Sung Ayu”
Yuji Baba, Mie Prefectural College of Nursing

Co-moderators
Nicola Tannenbaum, Lehigh University and Yoko Hayami, Kyoto University

L5: Political Socialization/Participation in the Political Process
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

Relationships between Adolescents Democratic Behaviors, Political Responsibilities
Puntip Sirivunnabood et al., Chulalongkorn University

Thailand Election 2005: Authoritarian Populism or Participatory Democratic Governance
Ake Tangsupvattana, Chulalongkorn University

Aaron Stern, University of Michigan

Voting Behavior in Thailand: candidate-centered versus party-centered voting
Napisa Waitoolkait, Northern Illinois University
The results of the Single-Seat Constituency & Party Lists Electoral System: A Comparison of Thailand and Japan
Michiko Shida, Institute of World Politics and Economy

The 2005 Election: Meaning and Prospects
Pasuk Phongpaichit, Chulalongkorn University and Chris Baker, Independent scholar

Moderator and Discussant
Daniel Unger, Northern Illinois University

Session M
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

M1: The Ecology of Pattani Bay
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Fisheries Resources in Pattani Bay
Supat Khongpuang et al., Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Diversity of Habitats in Pattani Bay
Wanchamai Karntanut et al., Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Quality of Water in Pattani Bay
Akom Sowana, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Sediments in Pattani Bay
Akom Sowana, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Socioeconomic Dynamics, Structural Changes and Consequences on Development Planning of Pattani Bay
Srisompob Jitpiromsri et al., Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Moderator
Srisompob Jitpiromsri, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

M2: Round Table Discussion
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

Thailand: Anything but “Never Colonized”
Chaiyan Rajchagool
Michael Herzfeld
Tamara Loos
Thongchai Winichakul

M3: Health/AIDS
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

Senjo Nakai, Macquaire University

The Lives of People Living with HIV/AIDS in Tai Community: A Case Study in Yunnan, China
Rui Deng, Mahidol University

The Community Concepts in Thailand’s HIV/AIDS Policy and Practice: Community in AIDS, or AIDS in Community?
Suchada Thaweesit, Ubon Ratchathani University
From Family Planning to HIV/AIDS, and Now Medical Tourism: Thai development policies engendering bodies
Marjorie Muecke, University of Washington, Seattle

Moderator
Marjorie Muecke, University of Washington, Seattle

L4/M4 (Double panel): Redefining Otherness (continued)
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

5:30 p.m.
Cash Bar
Sky Room 16th Floor, Holmes Student Center

6:30 p.m.
Dinner for Conference Registrants
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Session N
7:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

The Asia Foundation Roundtable Discussion: Political Development since the 1997 Constitution
Pasuk Phongpaichit, Chulalongkorn University
Kavi Chongkittavorn, Nation Multimedia Group Public Company Limited
Chris Baker, Independent scholar
James Klein, The Asia Foundation – Moderator

Session O
8:30 – 10.00 p.m.

O1/O2: Film Screenings/Film and Ethnography
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

Transnational Tradeswomen
Vivian Price, University of California, Irvine

DVD Show: Lung Puan Makes a Pikun Flower
Jonathan Robertson, University of Dundee

Moving Dai: The Band Tour in Sipsong Panna
Wasan Panyagaew, Australian National University

Moderator
Michael Herzfeld, Harvard University
**Tuesday/Wednesday**

**03: SEASite**
Sky Room, Holmes Student Center

*A Demonstration of Northern Illinois University’s Interactive Learning Resource for Southeast Asian Languages, Literatures and Cultures*

**John Hartmann**, Northern Illinois University

**04: Khun Chang Khun Phaen**
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

**Chris Baker**, Independent scholar and **Pasuk Phongpaichit**, Chulalongkorn University

**05: “Untitled” (Wishes, Lies and Dreams)**
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**Sarawut Chutiwongpeti**, Independent artist

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**Wednesday April 6, 2005**

8:00 a.m.

*Check-in and Registration*
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

**Session P: Plenary session**
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

*‘Gender’ in Thai State Policy*

**Keynote speaker**
**Kanokwan Tharawan**, The Royal Thai Ministry of Public Health, and University of California, Santa Cruz

**Session Q**
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Q1: The South: History and Historiography**
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

*Thai-Malay Conflicts in the Ayutthaya Period*
**Hung-Guk Cho**, Pusan National University

*Origins of Malay Muslim "Separatism" in Southern Thailand*
**Thanet Aphornsuvan**, Thammasat University

*Three Texts from Islamic Thai Historiography*
**John Grima**, Independent scholar

*The Social Network Construction of the Bala Chinese Business in Phuket*
**Suleeman Wongsuphap**, LaTrobe University and Prince of Songkla University

**Moderator**
Q2: Issues relating to the politics of Thai Social Movements
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

Thai Social Movements in an era of global protest
Giles Ji Ungpakorn, Chulalongkorn University

The Ebbs and Flow of NGOS in Thai Social Movements under the Thaksin Era
Kanokrat Lertchoosakul, Chulalongkorn University

SMS Politics in Thailand: The Next Phase of Direct Democracy?
Pitch Pongsawat, Chulalongkorn University

The Dictatorship of Thai Rak Thai? A reflection of the strength of the Peoples Movement
Kengkij Kitirianglarp, Chulalongkorn University

Gender Mainstreaming and the Ministry of Culture
Numnual Yapparat, Chulalongkorn University

Discussant
Prapart Pintoptang, Chulalongkorn University

Moderator
Giles Ji Ungpakorn, Chulalongkorn University

Q3: Conventional Hero and the Unconventional Heroes and Heroines in Literature and Folklore
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

Phi and Khwan in Thai Literature and Folklore
Elena Afanasieva, Russian Academy of Sciences

Orphan Tales: Reflections of People’s Lives with Restricted Opportunities and Ethnic Relationships in the Middle Southeast Region
Jaruwan Thammawat, Mahasarakham University

Unakan: A Combination of The Images of Thai Hero and Heroine
Thaneerat Jatuthasri, Chulalongkorn University

Sriburapha’s Angels: The Development of Women’s Images in Sriburapha’s Novels
Trisilpa Boonkhachorn, Chulalongkorn University

The Significance of the Horse faced-Mask In The Story of Kaeo Na Ma
Cholada Ruengruglikit, Chulalongkorn University

Moderator
Cholthira Satyawadhna, Rangsit University and Harvard University

Q4: New and Old Autonomous and Cross Cultural Identities
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

The Ahom (Tai) of India: Their Living Religious Culture
Ranjit Konwar and Sikhamoni Gohain Boruah, Office of the Conservator of Forest Guwahati, India

Unlikely urbanites; The formation of a young elite in post socialist Laos
Warren Mayes, Australian National University

Chinese and the Expansion of Cities on Chi River
Nareerat Parisuthiwithiporn, Mahasarakham University
Wednesday

Ethnic Chinese in Modern Thailand and their Role in Sino-Thai Economic Relations
Kesarin Phanarangsan, University of Pennsylvania

Working Together? An Examination of a Multicultural Thai Office
Jennifer Weidman, Northern Illinois University

Moderator
Nicola Tannenbaum, Lehigh University

Q5: Natural Resources
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

Narrative of contest views of ecology management: The practice of Karen Conservation movement in Northern Thailand
Prasert Trakansuphakon, Chiang Mai University

Governance and water in Thailand
Philip Hirsch, University of Sydney

Moderator and Discussant
Anan Ganjanapan, Chiang Mai University

12:00 p.m.
Lunch on Your Own

Session R
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

R1: Cultural and Economic aspects of the Crisis in the South
Heritage Room, Holmes Student Center

Communicating the Crisis in Southern Thailand: An Anthropological Perspective
Steffen Ruholl, Institut für Ethnologie, Freie Universität Hamburg

What is Jawi? Its Meaning, History, Scope, and Future
Worawit Baru, Prince of Songkla University, Pattani

Learning the Thai alphabet as Muslim Identity at Work: A comparison between two primary school books
Claudia Merli, Uppsala University

Rusembilan Revisited: Individualism, Capitalism, and Internal Colonialism in a Modernizing Malay Community in Pattani
Ronald Provencher, Northern Illinois University

Gender and border crossings among Thai Malay Muslims in border communities of Southern Thailand
Michiko Tsuneda, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Women in Conflict Situation
Amporn Marddent, Mahidol University

Moderator and Discussant
Robert Albritton, University of Mississippi
R2: Regionalizing Thailand: Studies on Thailand and Theravada Buddhism in Honor of Donald K. Swearer
Illinois Room, Holmes Student Center

- Potency Practices and Spatial Copying: Lanna and Sukhothai Look to South Asia
  Anne M. Blackburn, Cornell University

- An Emergence of the Lan Na Kingdom
  Sommai Premchit, Chiang Mai University and Mahamakut Buddhist University, Lanna Campus

- When Northern Thailand was Lao: Crossing Borders in Buddhist Studies
  Justin McDaniel, University of California, Riverside

- Traditions of the Noble Ones: The Pan-Buddhist Vision of a Thai Buddhist Movement
  Thanissaro Bhikkhu (Geoffrey De Graff)

- Sanghas without Borders? Thai Monks in Sipsongpanna and Dai-lue Monks in Thailand
  Thomas Borchert, University of Chicago

Discussant
Donald K. Swearer, Harvard Divinity School

Moderator
Thomas Borchert, University of Chicago

R3: Thai-Vietnamese Images and Interactions
Lincoln Room, Holmes Student Center

- Decapitation and Heads Display: State Violence for the Sake of Civilization and Westernization in Siam and French Indochina, 1880-1930
  Chiranan Prasertkul, Cornell University

- Ho Chi Minh and the Vietnamese in Thailand: Nakhon Phanom, Then and Now
  Larry Ashmun, University of Wisconsin-Madison

- The Enemy Loved Us: Military Memories of Thai-Vietnamese Relationships in South Vietnam During the Second Indochina War, 1967-1972
  Richard A. Ruth, Cornell University

Moderator
Clark Neher, Northern Illinois University

R4: Political Parties and Elections in the Thaksin Era
Regency Room, Holmes Student Center

- Institutional Reform. Thaksin and Budgetary Politics in Thailand
  Allen Hicken, University of Michigan

- Thai Rak Thai and the ‘New Politics’ in Thailand: An ‘Authentic’ Party on the March?
  Hugh Pei-Hsiu Chen, National Chi Nan University

- Policy Platform and Party Competition: A Case Study of the 2005 Election
  Punchada Sirivunnabood, Northern Illinois University

- Constitutional Reform, Coordination, and the Number of Parties in Thailand
  Allen Hicken, University of Michigan
Wednesday

*Thai Rak Thai and Contemporary Elections: A Return to the Government Political Party*

James Ockey, Canterbury University

**Discussant**

Erik Kuhonta, McGill University

**Moderator**

Allen Hicken, University of Michigan

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**R5: Popular Sector Economy**
Room 305, Holmes Student Center

*Export Marketing Strategy for Thai Manufacturing firms*

Suda Suwannapirom and Vichit U-on, Burapha University

*Bangkok Street Food Vending: Development and Diversity in the Age of Globalization*

Narumol Nirathron, Thammasat University

*The Politics of Non-Ratification: Labor Politics in Thailand*

Eunsook Jung, University of Wisconsin, Madison

*Wild/Domestic Pollution: Popular Media, Urban Lore, and Local Practice among Middle Class Homeowners in Northern Thailand*

Jane M. Ferguson, Cornell University

**Moderator**