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- 34. [Khmer to English] Ukñā Suttantaprījā Ind ឧកញ៉ាសុគ្គន្គប្រីជា ឥន្ទ, Journey to Angkor Wat និកស នគរវត្ត (excerpt). Words Without Borders (Nov 2015).
  - Online: <a href="https://wordswithoutborders.org/read/article/2015-11/journey-to-angkor-wat/">https://wordswithoutborders.org/read/article/2015-11/journey-to-angkor-wat/</a>
- - Online: <a href="https://wordswithoutborders.org/read/article/2015-11/the-shade-of-the-tenth-coconut-tree/">https://wordswithoutborders.org/read/article/2015-11/the-shade-of-the-tenth-coconut-tree/</a>

#### **Exhibition catalogs**

- 1. Framing the Sacred: Cambodian Buddhist Painting. Institute of East Asian Studies: University of California, Berkeley, 2013. 56 pp.
  - Final PDF: <a href="https://trentwalker.tiny.us/framingthesacred">https://trentwalker.tiny.us/framingthesacred</a>

# **Digital resources**

- 1. Stirring and Stilling: A Liturgy of Cambodian Dharma Songs សំដគ និង បសាទ ៖ ពិធីស្មុត្រជម៌បទខ្មែរ. A multimedia online book, including an introductory essay, translations of and commentaries on 16 Khmer and Pali songs, and 34 audio recordings. 2011.
  - Online: www.stirringandstilling.org
  - Additional resources: www.trentwalker.org/dharma-songs
  - PDF: <a href="https://trentwalker.tiny.us/stirringandstilling">https://trentwalker.tiny.us/stirringandstilling</a>

#### Albums/Liner notes

- 1. [Librettist] Bangsokol: A Requiem for Cambodia បង្ហុកូល. New York: Entertain Impact/ Cambodian Living Arts, 2022.
  - Website: www.bangsokolalbum.com
  - Streaming: https://beatroot.ffm.to/bangsokol-arequiemforcambodia
- 2. [Producer; bilingual liner notes and song translations] Our First Teachers: Dharma Songs about Filial Debts បុធ្វាចារ្យយើង ៖ កម្រង់ធម៌បទស្មុត្រស្ដីអំពីគុណមាតាបិតា. Phnom Penh: Cambodian Living Arts [CLA], 2013.
  - Liner notes: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/ourfirstteachers
- 3. [Producer; bilingual liner notes and song translations] Moments in the Buddha's Life: Cambodian Dharma Songs performed by Prum Ut ដំណាលកាលអង្គ ៖ កម្រង់ធម៌បទនិទានរឿងពុទ្ធប្បវត្តិ. Phnom Penh: CLA, 2013.
  - Liner notes: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/moments
- 4. [Producer; bilingual liner notes] Offerings to the Journey: Traditional Khmer Songs for Funerals ដង្គាយថ្វាយដំណើរ ៖ កម្រង់ធម៌បទភ្លេងគង់ស្គរ ប្រគំសម្រាប់បុណ្យសព. Phnom Penh: CLA, 2013.
  - Liner notes: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/tothejourney
- 5. [Bilingual liner notes] Offerings to the Masters: Traditional Khmer Songs for Spirit Possessions ដដ្ឋាយ 
  ថ្វាយព្រះគ្រុ ៖ កម្រង់ធម៌បទភ្លេងអារក្ស. Phnom Penh: CLA, 2013.
  - Liner notes: <a href="https://trentwalker.tiny.us/tothemasters">https://trentwalker.tiny.us/tothemasters</a>
- 6. [Bilingual liner notes and song translations] Offerings to the Ancestors: Traditional Khmer Songs for Weddings ដដ្ឋាយជាមេញ ៖ កម្រង់ធម៌បទក្មេងការបុកណ. Phnom Penh: CLA, 2013.
  - Liner notes: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/totheancestors
- 7. [English liner notes and song translations] *Sarikakeo: Love Songs and Other Favorites from Cambodia*. Phnom Penh: CLA, 2008.
  - Liner notes: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/sarikakeo

#### Librettos

1. Librettist (in Pali and Khmer, with English and French translation), *Bangsokol: A Requiem for Cambodia*, in collaboration with Him Sophy (composer) and Rithy Panh (director, designer, filmmaker). World premiere at Melbourne Festival 2017, Arts Centre Melbourne (Oct 13–14, 2017). US premiere in New York at the Next Wave Festival 2017, Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM), Howard Gilman Opera House (Dec 15–16, 2017). Additional performances in Boston, MA at ArtsEmerson (Dec 19–20, 2017); Paris, France, Philharmonie de Paris (May 16, 2018); and Phnom Penh, Cambodia (Nov 21–23, 2019). Album released in May 2022.

#### Presentations

# Invited public academic lectures (selected)

- 1. "Nandapañño's Bicāraṇā Ālambanasaṅgaha (1638 CE): Toward an Intellectual History of Northern Thai Exegesis," Numata Center for Buddhist Studies, University of Hamburg (May 2023, online).
  - Video: https://lecture2go.uni-hamburg.de/en/l2go/-/get/v/66544
- 2. "Songs of Love and Loss: Crafting Buddhist Poetry in Early Modern Cambodia," Ronald and Janette Gatty Lecture Series, Southeast Asia Program, Cornell University (Mar 2023).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YF7vD-6RfVI
  - Associated podcast (better audio): <a href="https://gattyrewind.libsyn.com/episode-90-trent-walker-hocenter-for-buddhist-studies-stanford-university">https://gattyrewind.libsyn.com/episode-90-trent-walker-hocenter-for-buddhist-studies-stanford-university</a>
- 3. "Chants for Life and Death: Buddhist Poetry in Early Modern Cambodia," Center for Southeast Asian Studies and Center for Buddhist Studies, University of California, Berkeley (Mar 2023).
- 4. "Buddhist Poetry in Southeast Asia," five-day, ten-hour public lecture series for the Religion Programme, University of Otago (Feb 2023).
  - Lecture 1 (Language): <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT5bD30vWCQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT5bD30vWCQ</a>
  - Lecture 2 (Prayer): <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-egikLN\_K0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-egikLN\_K0</a>
  - Lecture 3 (Debt): <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S0maU7o\_0rg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S0maU7o\_0rg</a>
  - Lecture 4 (Shock): <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1FpVpS6dds">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1FpVpS6dds</a>
  - Lecture 5 (Pleasure): <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UnTlaWM\_mOE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UnTlaWM\_mOE</a>
- 5. "Singing the Dharma in Cambodia: A Conversation on *Until Nirvana's Time*," in conversation with Anand Venkatkrishnan, Goodman Lectures, Khyentse Foundation (Jan 2023, online).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XoS\_ClWK-xk
- 6. "Theravada Chant as Musical Performance: Making Meaning through Rhythm, Pitch, and Melody." Three-hour workshop presented for Performing Theravada, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Jun 2022).
  - Interactive multimedia website: <a href="https://sites.google.com/view/theravadachant">https://sites.google.com/view/theravadachant</a>

- 7. "A Burmese Kammavācā Manuscript: A Ritual Manual for Buddhist Ordination from the Royal Ontario Museum," in conversation with Luther Obrock, Hidden Stories: Books Along the Silk Roads, Institute of Advanced Study/University of Toronto/Aga Khan Museum (April 2022).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y32XJbBRFXc
  - Related short videos:
    - i. "The Making of Burmese Kammavācā Manuscript" <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6tFC63oCnQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6tFC63oCnQ</a>
    - ii. "A Burmese Kammavācā Manuscript and its Use in the Buddhist Ordination Ritual." https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LiswcKmgPTs
- 8. "Scripting the End of Life in Cambodia," Department of Religious Studies/Department of East Asian Studies/Contemplative Studies Initiative, Brown University (Mar 2022).
- 9. "A Conversation on Bilingualism and Bitexts with Trent Walker," Textual Microcosms: A New Approach in Translation Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, online (Feb 2022).
- 10. "Text and Bitext in Middle Cambodia," Center for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Oct 2021.
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRm5kIUrHm4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRm5kIUrHm4</a>
- 11. "Using Music in Buddhist Studies," How Do You Do It? series, Ho Centre for Buddhist Studies, University of Toronto, Jun 2021.
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=foSN4MGGq0U
- 12. "Cetanābhedā and Cinderella: Multiple Rebirths, Bilingual Sermons, and Popular Narratives in Southeast Asia." Ho Center for Buddhist Studies, Stanford University, online (Apr 2021).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VZ5uAHDXUtE
  - Slides: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/cinderella
- 13. "The Scattering of the Thirty-Two Minds: A Southeast Asian Buddhist Doctrine of Rebirth." Harvard Buddhist Studies Forum, Harvard University, online (Mar 2021).
- 14. "Bilingual Theravada Scholasticism: Pali-Vernacular Bitexts and the Indic Commentarial Tradition," Transnational Network of Theravada Studies, King's College London/Shan State Buddhist University, online (Nov 2020).
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lXtsXmemZKk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lXtsXmemZKk</a>
  - Slides: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/scholasticism
- 15. "Invitation to Preach the Dharma: A Chant's Nine Lives in Southeast Asia." Rangjung Yeshe Institute, Kathmandu, Nepal (Feb 2020).
  - Audio: <a href="https://soundcloud.com/dharmasongs/invitation-to-preach-the-dharma-a-chants-nine-lives-in-southeast-asia">https://soundcloud.com/dharmasongs/invitation-to-preach-the-dharma-a-chants-nine-lives-in-southeast-asia</a>
  - Handout: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/invitation

- 16. "วัฒนธรรมการสืบทอดคัมภีร์พุทธศาสนาในประเทศกัมพูชา (The Transmission of Buddhist Texts in Cambodia)" (delivered in Thai), การศึกษาและสืบสานพระไตรปิฎกในนานาประเทศ, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand (Feb 2020).
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wvkxuS6ZfU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wvkxuS6ZfU</a>
  - Slides: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/transmission
- 17. "សាស្ត្រានិងក្រាំងខ្មែរក្នុងបរិបទអាស៊ីអាគ្នេយ៍និងអាស៊ីខាងត្បូង (Cambodian Manuscripts in the South and Southeast Asian Context)" (delivered in Khmer). Department of Archaeology, Royal University of Fine Arts, Phnom Penh, Cambodia (Dec 2019).
  - Slides: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/cambodianmanuscripts
- 18. "ความรู้พื้นฐานเกี่ยวกับเอกสารโบราณในประเทศกัมพูชา (An Introduction to Cambodian Manuscripts)" (delivered in Thai). Department of Thai, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand (Sep 2019).
  - Slides: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/introductiontocambodian
- 19. "บทสวดต่างๆในคัมภีร์สมุดช่อยเขมร : การศึกษาวิเคราะห์เบื้องต้น (Liturgical Texts in Khmer Leporello Manuscripts: A Preliminary Analysis)." One-hour televised interview and lecture in Thai for Channel 13 ("Siamthai"), Bangkok, Thailand (Oct 2016).
- 20. "សិលាចារឹកកាសាខ្មែរចាស់ជាងគេដែលសពសរជាពាក្យកាព្យ ៖ ទិន្នន័យថ្មីបានមកពីក្រាំងនិងសាស្ត្រាស្វឹករឹត (The Oldest Verse Inscription in Khmer: New Evidence from Leporello and Palm-Leaf Manuscripts )" (delivered in Khmer, with English summary). Royal University of Fine Arts, Phnom Penh (Aug 2016).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w9ksjQaQHH4
- 21. "Translation, Transliteration, and Transcription from a Buddhist Studies Perspective," for the series *Translation Matters: Applications in the 21st Century*, Division of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages, Stanford University (Feb 2015).

# Invited public non-academic lectures and panels (selected)

- 1. Co-presenter, "Chenxing Han and Trent Walker: one long listening and Until Nirvana's Time," Green Apple Books (Apr 2023)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iEvIXLUoM2M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iEvIXLUoM2M</a>
- 2. Panelist, "Requiem as a Musical Form in the Context of Cambodia," Arts & Healing: Bangsokol Virtual Festival, Cambodian Living Arts/Emerson College (online, Dec 2020).
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3zvqiZEeR7g
- 3. Panelist, "Introducing 'Bangsokol: A Requiem for Cambodia," Columbia University School of the Arts, New York (Dec 2017).
- 4. "Listening to Angkor Wat: Soundscapes of Ancient, Middle, and Modern Cambodia," Stanford Khmer Association, Stanford University (Feb 2013).
- 5. Post-performance lectures for Houston Grand Opera's production of the chamber opera *New Arrivals*, Asia Society Texas Center, Houston (Jun 2012).

- 6. Co-presenter, "Dharma Songs: Buddhist Melodies from Cambodia," Ho Center for Buddhist Studies, Stanford University (Oct 2010).
- 7. "Smot: Songs of Healing" for the series *Khmer Arts Salon*, Khmer Arts Academy, Long Beach (Apr 2009).

News articles and media interviews on my research are available at <u>www.trentwalker.org/press</u>

# Conference papers

- 1. "Toward a Semiotics of Buddhist Performance: Poietic, Esthesic, and Material Dimensions of Bitextual Sermons in Early Modern Southeast Asia," Preaching Buddhism panel, Buddhism Unit, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio (Nov 2023).
- 2. "Voicing Gratitude in Verse: Genre, Affect, and Orality in Buddhist Poems on Filial Piety from Central and Northeast Thailand, Preaching Buddhism panel, Buddhism Unit, American Academy of Religion, San Antonio (Nov 2023).
- 3. "Sounding Gratitude in Central and Northeast Thailand: Musical and Literary Structures for Filial Piety," Council on Thai Studies Annual Meeting, Northern Illinous University (Oct 2023).
- 4. "Material Evidence for Ritual Chant in Thailand: Sequence, Illumination, Instruction, and Notation," Ritual and Materiality in Buddhism and Asian Religions, Princeton University (Jun 2023).
- 5. "A conversation with Trent Walker and Ashley Thompson on *Until Nirvana's Time*," Theravada Civilizations Project Conference #10, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia (Jun 2023).
- 6. Panelist, "Recent Books in the Study of Religion in Southeast Asia," Religion in Southeast Asia Unit, American Academy of Religion, Denver (Nov 2022).
- 7. "Indic-Siamese Bitextual Verse: The Poetics of Classical Reading and Vernacular Writing, 1450–1750 CE," part of "Literary Vernaculars in the Second-Millennium Pāli World" panel, International Association of Buddhist Studies, Korea (Aug 2022).
- 8. "Resources for Pali and Vernacular Manuscripts in Southeast Asia," Digital Resources for Buddhist Studies, International Association of Buddhist Studies, Korea (Aug 2022).
- 9. "Khmer Nuns and Filial Debts: Buddhist Intersections in Contemporary Cambodia," Gender Asymmetry in Different Buddhist Traditions Through the Prism of Nuns' Ordination and Education, University of Perugia, Italy (May 2022).
- 10. Panelist, "South and Southeast Asia, Hidden Stories: Global History, Local Networks, Institute of Advanced Study/Aga Khan Museum (Feb 2022, online)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SOBF4VtHTU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SOBF4VtHTU</a>

- 11. "Pali-Vernacular Bitexts in Performance: Language, Phrasing, and Melody," Performing scripture: Text Meets Art, Music and Drama, UK Association for Buddhist Studies (Jul 2021, online).
- 12. "Layered Words, Layered Pasts: Annotated Pali Manuscripts from Laos," Fourth International Pali Studies Week, Sorbonne, École practique des hautes études, Paris (Jun 2020, conference cancelled due to COVID-19).
- 13. "Recent Trends in the Study of Vernacular and Pali-Vernacular Theravada Literature," part of "On The Road Again: Reconsidering the State of Theravada Studies" panel, Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Boston (Mar 2020, conference cancelled due to COVID-19).
- 14. "Reading Pali in Early Modern Siam: Interlinear Annotations of Curricular Manuscripts," Current Studies and Research Activities on Pali Manuscripts and Texts, Lumbini International Research Institute, Lumbini, Nepal (Feb 2020).
- 15. "[Deya]dharma and [Deya]dāna in Cambodian Religion," Donation in Buddhism: Interpretation of Deyyadhamma and Deyyadāna, Chulalongkorn University (Feb 2020).
- 16. "The Khmer Manuscript Heritage Project: Reading Cambodian Buddhism in a Global Context," Second International Conference on New Trends in Buddhist Studies, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China (Oct 2019).
- 17. "Plants on Plants, Tongues on Tongues: A Botanical Metaphor for Pali-Vernacular Bitexts in Southeast Asia," Of Peninsula and Archipelago: The Landscape of Translation in Southeast Asia, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok (Aug 2019).
- 18. "The Oldest Manuscript Example of a Pali-Tai Bitext: Early Lanna Techniques for Vernacular Reading and Exegesis," Epigraphy in Southeast Asia panel, SEAMEO SPAFA International Conference on Southeast Asian Archaeology, Bangkok (Jun 2019).
- 19. "Absolution and Aspiration: Soteriologies in Chanted Texts and Colophons from Cambodian Leporellos," New Works in Theravada Studies, Theravada Civilizations Project, Springfield, Missouri (Jun 2017).
- 20. "Liturgical Texts in Khmer Leporello Manuscripts," Old Manuscripts in the Modern World: Preservation and Technical Challenges, Silpakorn University, Bangkok (Jul 2016).
- 21. "The *Unhissavijaya* in Khmer Buddhism," Second International Pali Studies Week, Sorbonne, École practique des hautes études, Paris (Jun 2016).

- 22. "Taxonomies of Chant in Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand," Buddhist Ritual Music Symposium, University of California, Berkeley (Nov 2015).
- 23. "Wife of the Omniscient One: Yaśodharā Bimbā in Khmer Buddhist Literature," part of "The Roles of Buddhist Women (Nineteenth to Early Twentieth Centuries): Reflections on Images, Texts, and Rituals" panel, Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, Chicago (Mar 2015).
- 24. "Listening to 'Lotus Flower Offering': Echoes of Buddhist Liturgies in Two Inscriptions from Angkor Wat," 2014 Chulalongkorn Asian Heritage Forum: Flower Culture in Asia, Bangkok (Jul 2014).
- 25. "Siamese Poetry in Cambodia? Thai Verse Forms in the Khmer Lexicon," ENITS & ENITAS Scholarship Research Presentation, Empowering Network for International Thai Studies (ENITS), Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University (Jun 2014).
- 26. "A Bilingual Legacy: Rethinking the Relationship Between Khmer and Thai Meters," Thai-Cambodian Relations: From Conflict to Cooperation, Mahidol University International College, Nakhon Pathom, Thailand (May 2014).
- 27. "Buddhist Painting in the People's Republic of Kampuchea (1979–89): King Suddhodana's Illness and Mahāpajāpatī Gotamī's Gift of the Triple Robe," Enacting Buddhism: Perspectives on Cambodian Buddhist Painting, Institute of East Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley (Jan 2014).
- 28. "Southeast Asia through a Buddhist Lens: Region, History and Modernity," SEA CHANGE: Southeast Asia's Place in the World, Stanford University (Mar 2013).
- 29. "Buddhist Music in Cambodia? The Religious Rhetoric of *kantoam ming*" (presented in Khmer), Siem Reap Conference on Special Topics in Khmer Studies, "Religious Studies in Cambodia: Understanding the Old and Tracing the New," École française d'Extrême-Orient/APSARA Authority/Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Reap (Jun 2012).
- 30. "Echoes of Buddhist Liturgies in 'La grande inscription d'Angkor': Rethinking the First Poem of Khmer Epigraphy," Graduate Methods Symposium, Department of South and Southeast Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley (May 2012).
- 31. "Recycled Cassettes, Cardboard Manuscripts, and Emerging Digital Forms: The Material Life of Cambodian Dharma Songs since 1979," Transforming Cambodia Studies: Social Change and Cultural Transitions since 1979, Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Reap (Jul 2011).
- 32. "The 'Siamese Dharm yog': A Khmero-Thai Dharma Song for Inviting Relics," Relics of Cambodia panel, International Association of Buddhist Studies, Taiwan (Jun 2011).

- 33. "Jayanand's Flower Offering: Echoes of Buddhist Liturgies in 'La Grande Inscription d'Angkor," Ohio University Annual Khmer Studies Forum (Apr 2011).
- 34. "Cambodian Dharma Songs: The Interface of Tradition and Technology," Paper presented at the Northern California Chapter of the Society for Ethnomusicology 2007 Annual Meeting, University of California, Davis (Mar 2007).

# Workshop, Exhibit, and Conference Organization

- 2022 "Buddhist Bilingualism: Pali-Vernacular Sermons, Exegesis, and Literature in Early Modern Thailand," half-day online workshop at the Ho Center for Buddhist Studies, Stanford University, featuring three scholars from Thailand (Apr).
  - Summary article in *Lekha*, newsletter of the Ho Center for Buddhist Studies at Stanford: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/bilingualismworkshop
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7AuIQV\_3-pc
- (with Chenxing Han), "Story and Song: Learning and Living with Buddhist Chant," a four-day study retreat focused on narrative storytelling and Cambodian Buddhist poetry, hosted by the Barre Center for Buddhist Studies, Barre, MA (Feb). Offered again in March 2023 and May 2024.
- 2021–present Co-organizer and host, "The Goodman Lectures," a monthly Buddhist studies lecture series sponsored by Khyentse Foundation.
  - Website: <a href="https://khyentsefoundation.org/the-goodman-lectures">https://khyentsefoundation.org/the-goodman-lectures</a>

Moderated the following public talks:

- 1. Erik Pema Kunsang, "Key Points of Timeless Value" (May 2023)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rrAWkrgMsio
- 2. Gareth Sparham, "A Brief History of, and Introduction to, the Śatasāhasrikāpraiñāpāramitā" (April 2023)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-\_y5UP3IKxY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-\_y5UP3IKxY</a>
- 3. Seiji Kumagai, Kyoto University, "The Past, Present, and Future of Buddhism and Buddhology in Japan" (Feb 2023)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6B64HIF3-Hg
- 4. Mark Allon, University of Sydney, "Buddhism in Ancient Gandhara and Recent Manuscript Discoveries" (Oct 2022)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0GO\_oaz0\_b4
- 5. Paul Harrison, Stanford University, "What Can We Learn From the Teaching of Vimalakīrti?" (Sep 2022)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfNcVLUVkXg

- 6. Jens-Uwe Hartmann, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, "Out of Town, yet Bound to it: How the Early Buddhists Organized Seclusion and Survival" (May 2022)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUTPKPhKOyY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JUTPKPhKOyY</a>
- 7. Naomi Appleton, University of Edinburgh, "Narrative Buddhology: Explorations of Indian Buddhist Literature" (Mar 2022)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OboZ36KIfp8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OboZ36KIfp8</a>
- 8. Eviatar Shulman, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, "On Creating the Early Discourses (Suttas) of the Buddha" (Feb 2022)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4fx2bHXWVMo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4fx2bHXWVMo</a>
- 9. Anne C Klein (Rigzin Drolma), Rice University, "Being Human and a Buddha Too: Longchenpa's Open Secret" (Jan 2022)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5nzh0Ytq6k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5nzh0Ytq6k</a>
- 10. Peter Skilling (Bhadra Rujirathat), Chulalongkorn University, "The Universe of Buddhist Canons" (Dec 2021)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YZwGtFJXNKk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YZwGtFJXNKk</a>
- 11. Imre Hamar, Eötvös Loránd University, "The Role of Samantabhadra Bodhisattva in Buddhist Practice" (Nov 2021)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKS3xt7LbQQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKS3xt7LbQQ</a>
- 12. Sarah H. Jacoby, Northwestern University, "The Relatable and Extraordinary Life of Sera Khandro Dewé Dorjé" (Oct 2021)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z9bX8IJRRQw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z9bX8IJRRQw</a>
- 13. Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley, "Tibetan Tantra at Dunhuang" (Sep. 2021)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kjhiaEbVkQ
- 14. Dorji Wangchuk, University of Hamburg, "When Can Buddhism Be Considered Dead and When Living?" (Aug 2021)
  - Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsFJF45lWy0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsFJF45lWy0</a>
- 15. Shrikant Bahulkar, Savitribai Phule Pune University, "Vedism and Buddhism" (Jul 2021)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=effNbM6KqZE
- 16. Donald S. Lopez, Jr., University of Michigan, "Reason and Revelation in Buddhism" (Jun 2021)
  - Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jxA3dV6aOR0
- 2015 Co-organizer (with Mark Blum, Michaela Mross, Sanjyot Mehendale, Kumi Hadler, and Meghan Howard), Buddhist Ritual Music Symposium, University of California, Berkeley (Nov 5–6).

Co-curator (with Janet Carter, Alexander von Rospatt, Virginia Shih, and Bruce Williams), Dharmakośavivaraṇa 法藏開: Revealing the Treasures of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley. Doe Library, Bernice Layne Brown Gallery, University of California, Berkeley (Mar—Aug).

Facilitator, "Philology and Hermeneutics of Khmer Song Lyrics" (conducted in Khmer), Cambodian Living Arts, Phnom Penh and Siem Reap (Jun—Jul).

Founder, "Buddhist Studies Graduate Roundtable," University of California, Berkeley (biweekly 2013—2015; continued by others since 2016).

Co-organizer (with Kylie Goh, Amanda Manorot, Kim Nguyen, and Quyen Nguyen-Hoang), SEA CHANGE: Southeast Asia's Place in the World, Stanford University (Mar).

#### Fellowships and Awards

# **Fellowships**

- 2022 Ho Center for Buddhist Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship, Stanford University (one year)
- 2020 Ho Center for Buddhist Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship, Stanford University (two years)
- 2018 Khyentse Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship (two years)
- 2017 Doctoral Completion Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley (one year)
- 2016 Dissertation Fellowship, Robert H.N. Ho Family Foundation (one year)
- 2016 Senior Fellowship, Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Reap (nine months)
- 2011 Berkeley-Mellon Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley (five years)
- 2011 Townsend Discovery Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley (three years)
- 2010 Research Fellow of the Ho Center for Buddhist Studies, Stanford University (one year)
- 2007 Rathbun Fellow for Religious Encounter, Stanford University (one year)
- 2005. Resident Music Fellow, Cambodian Living Arts, Cambodia (one year)

#### **Awards**

- 2015 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of California, Berkeley
- 2014 Padmanabh S. Jaini Graduate Student Award in Buddhist Studies, UC Berkeley
- 2014 Empowering Network for International Thai Studies Scholarship, Chulalongkorn U.
- 2010 David M. Kennedy Honors Thesis Prize (top thesis in the humanities), Stanford
- 2010 Robert M. Golden Medal for Excellence in Humanities and Creative Arts, Stanford
- 2010 Lawrence Berman Prize (for best essay in Religious Studies), Stanford University
- 2010 J.E. Wallace Sterling Award for Scholastic Achievement, Stanford University
- 2009 Undergraduate Research Major Grant, Stanford University
- 2008 Lawrence Berman Prize (for best essay in Religious Studies), Stanford University
- 2007 President's Award for Academic Excellence, Stanford University
- 2007 Marnie Dilling Prize (for best graduate student paper), Northern California Society of Ethnomusicology

#### TEACHING

# **University of Michigan** (as Assistant Professor of Southeast Asian Studies)

- 1. Instructor ASIAN 480, "Southeast Asian Literature" (Winter 2024).
- 2. Instructor, ASIAN 328, "Introduction to Theravada Buddhism" (Fall 2023).
- 3. Instructor, ASIAN 480, "Buddhist Magic" (Fall 2023).

# University of California, Berkeley (as Lecturer in Buddhist Studies)

- 1. Instructor, Buddhist Studies C147, "Introduction to Pali" (Fall 2022)
  - Syllabus: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/introductiontopali

# **Stanford University** (as Lecturer in Religious Studies)

- 1. Instructor, Religious Studies 107, "Buddhism in the Bay Area" (Fall 2022)
  - Syllabus: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/bayareasyllabus
- 2. Instructor, Religious Studies 259/359, "Buddhist Magic" (Spring 2022)
  - Syllabus: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/buddhistmagic
  - Student-produced website: <a href="https://sites.google.com/stanford.edu/buddhistmagic">https://sites.google.com/stanford.edu/buddhistmagic</a>
- 3. Instructor, Religious Studies 152, "Buddhism and the Family in Southeast Asia" (Fall 2021)
  - Syllabus: <a href="https://trentwalker.tiny.us/buddhismandthefamily">https://trentwalker.tiny.us/buddhismandthefamily</a>

# Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok (as Postdoctoral Fellow)

1. Six-week intensive on Thai and Khmer manuscripts (co-taught in Thai with Kannikar Vimolkasem and Santi Pakdeekham), Department of Thai, Faculty of Arts (Fall 2019)

# University of California, Berkeley (as Graduate Student Instructor)

- 1. Teaching Assistant/Section Leader (for Penny Edwards), Southeast Asian Studies 10A, "Voices, Places and Traces of Mainland Southeast Asia" (Fall 2015).
- 2. Instructor, Buddhist Studies C128, "Buddhism in Contemporary Society" (Summer 2015).
  - Syllabus: <a href="https://trentwalker.tiny.us/bs128">https://trentwalker.tiny.us/bs128</a>
- 3. Teaching Assistant/Section Leader (for Alexander von Rospatt), Buddhist Studies C128, "Buddhism in Contemporary Society" (Spring 2015).
- 4. Teaching Assistant/Section Leader (for Robert Sharf), Buddhist Studies C50, "Introduction to the Study of Buddhism" (Fall 2014).
- 5. Instructor, South and Southeast Asian Studies R5A, "Of Harps and Habits: Buddhism, Gender, and Modernity in the Literature of Myanmar and Vietnam (Fall 2013).
  - Syllabus: https://trentwalker.tiny.us/harpsandhabits
- 6. Teaching Assistant/Section Leader (for Robert Sharf), Letters and Science 160D, "Thinking About Not Thinking: Approaches to Buddhist Meditation" (Spring 2013).

# SERVICE AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

#### **Digital Archival Projects**

- 2019–present Director of Preservation and Lead Scholar, Khmer Manuscript Heritage Project, Buddhist Digital Resource Center, a \$1,000,000 project to digitize over 1.5 million pages of palm-leaf and bark-paper manuscripts from Cambodia in Khmer, Pali, and Thai
  - Online: https://khmer-manuscripts.bdrc.io/
- 2012–2013 Lead producer/archivist, and co-grant writer, for "Audiovisual Documentation of Three Forms of Rare Khmer Music" Project (U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation, US Department of State) (2012–2013) (successful, \$52,520)

#### **PhD Supervision**

2020–2023 Woramat Malasart, "The Dhammakāya Lemmata from Core Text to Commentary: Buddhist Practices, Textual Transmission and Formation during the 16th-19th Centuries in the Cross-Cultural Sphere of Traditional Tai-Khmer Buddhism" (Department of Religious Studies, University of Otago, New Zealand)

# **Manuscript and Grant Review**

Buddhist Studies Review; Journal of the Siam Society; Journal of Hindu Studies; Journal of Vietnamese Studies; Manusya: Journal of Humanities; Numen; Religions, Udaya, Journal of Khmer Studies; Studies in Manuscript Cultures (Hamburg), NEA Translation Fellowship; Endangered Archives Programme (British Library).

# **Library Service**

2016–present Cataloging assistance for Khmer, Thai, Lao, Lanna, and Pali manuscripts at the British Library; Kroch Library, Cornell University; Houghton Library, Harvard University; Oriental Collection, New York Public Library; South and Southeast Studies Library and Phoebe A. Hearst Museum of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley; John Hay Library, Brown University; Asian Division, LOC; Vatican Apostolic Library, Vatican City.

2014–2018 Book selector and purchaser for Cambodian publications, South and Southeast Studies Library, University of California, Berkeley

## **Board and Committee Service (external)**

2023-present	Member, Editorial Board, Journal of the Siam Society, Thailand
2023-present	Member, Board of Advisors, ASEAN Studies Centre, Mahachulalongkorn-
	rajavidyalaya University, Thailand
2022-2027	Member, Steering Committee, Buddhism Unit, American Academy of Religion
2021-present	Member, Board of Advisors, Buddhist Digital Resource Center (five-year term)
2020-present	Member, Academic Development Committee, Khyentse Foundation
2020-present	Advisor, Buddhist Heritage of Thailand (Fragile Palm Leaves Foundation)
2013-2014	Chair, Board of Directors, Southeast Asian Service Leadership Network

# Languages

# **Modern Languages** (in order of spoken proficency)

Language	Reading	Speaking
Cambodian (Central dialect)	advanced	superior
Thai (Central/Bangkok dialect)	advanced	advanced high
Lao (Vientiane dialect)	advanced	advanced mid
Northeastern Thai	n/a	advanced low
Vietnamese (Southern/Saigon dialect)	advanced	intermediate high
Northern Khmer (Northeast Thailand)	n/a	intermediate low
Northern Thai/Lanna	advanced	intermediate low
French	advanced	intermediate low
Tai Khün (Northeast Myanmar)	intermediate	none
Tai Lü/Dai Le (Southwest China)	intermediate	none
Shan (Northeast Myanmar)	elementary	none

# **Classical Languages** (in order of reading proficency)

Reading
advanced
intermediate
elementary