

FRIDAY LECTURE SERIES FALL 2019

12:00-1:00 PM | 110 Weiser Hall All events are free and open to the public

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September 20

CHIE IKEYA, Rutgers University

Beyond the East-West Encounter: Inter-Asian Intimacies and Estrangements in Colonial and Postcolonial Burma, 1850–1950

Sexual, conjugal, and household relations between white colonial masters and native women have long served as the paradigm of the colonial encounter. The talk offers a different and as yet untold story of colonial interaction: inter-Asian intimacies.

October 25

GAYL NESS, University of Michigan

Last Flight to Bangkok: Reflections on 60 Years in Southeast Asia

Focusing on the massive transformation in development, the discussion will include the environment–social organization perspectives, and human ecology.

November 8

GERALD SIM, Florida Atlantic University

'Why Should I Keep Loving You When I Know That You're Not True?'
A Cinema of Hiraeth

In filmmaker Tan Pin Pin's fixation with the geographical phenomenology of Singapore, one discerns ideas about local relations to space. Tan's essayistic reflections on landscape are captivated by the unseen effects of rapid urban development, radical transformations necessitated by growth.

February 21

JOE HARRIS, Boston University

Becoming Brokers: Explaining Thailand's Growing Brand in Global Health

Examining the roots of Thailand's surprising success in areas ranging from universal healthcare to HIV prevention and access to medicine to health technology assessment and tobacco control.

March 13

LILY RAHIM, The University of Sydney

Regime Change and Continuity in Malaysia

Analysing Pakatan Harapan's weakening popularity within the context of its 'catch-22' policy and political conundrum.

March 20

SUMARSAM, Wesleyan University

Islamizing a Sacred Hindu-Javanese Text: The Story of Jimat Kalimasada in Javanese Wayang Puppet Play

Discussion on the wayang story, *Jimat Kalimasada*, to show the complex processes of religious and cultural transformation from Hindu-Javanese to Islam-Javanese world of view.

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