

Seminars on Gender Issues 2018
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Special Seminar

Frontiers of Gender Studies in Asia

Date and time 15:00-17:00, 2 February (Fri.), 2018

Venue Room 213, the 2nd floor, Inamori Foundation Memorial Building, CSEAS, Kyoto University

Program

15:00-15:05 Opening remarks

15:05-15:45 Talk 1

Title: 'Queering Death Rites': Cultural Legacy, Identities and Rights among Transgender Funeral Performers in Southern Vietnam

Speaker: Dr. Nguyen Thi Thu Huong (University of Social Sciences and Humanities, VNU, Vietnam)

15:45-16:25 Talk 2

Title: From Premodern Androgyny to Modern Gender Binary: Semicolonialism and the Making of Gender in Thailand

Speaker: Prof. Peter A. Jackson (Australian National University, Visiting Researcher of CSEAS)

16:25-17:00 Comments&Discussion

Commentators

Atsufumi Kato (Kyoto Sangyo University)

Piyada Chonlaworn (Tenri University)

Moderator

Chika Obiya (CSEAS)

Speakers



◆ Dr. Nguyen Thi Thu Huong

Nguyen Thi Thu Huong PhD is Lecturer at the Department of Anthropology of Vietnam National University, Hanoi and also affiliated with the Department of Gender Studies of Lund University as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2015-2017). Her research interests center on the intersection of sexual violence, gender diversity, ethnicity, and politics in the Philippines and Vietnam. Her recent work has appeared in *Culture, Health and Sexuality*, *Journal of Asian History*, *Sojourn*, *Journal of Vietnamese Studies*, *NORMA: International Journal for Masculinity Studies*, and *Violence Against Women* (forthcoming).



◆ Prof. Peter A. Jackson

Peter A. Jackson PhD is Emeritus Professor of Thai history and cultural studies in the Australian National University's College of Asia and the Pacific. He has written extensively on modern Thai cultural history, with special interests in religion, sexuality and critical approaches to Asian histories and cultures. Peter Jackson is a member of the editorial collective of Hong Kong University Press's *Queer Asia monograph series* and his recent books include *The Ambiguous Allure of the West: Traces of the Colonial in Thailand* (with Rachel Harrison HKUP 2010), *Queer Bangkok: 21st Century Markets, Media and Rights* (HKUP 2011), and *First Queer Voices from Thailand: Uncle Go's Advice Columns for Gays, Lesbians and Kathoey*s (HKUP 2016). He is collaborating with Prof. Bénédicte Brac de la Perrière (Centre Asie du Sud-Est, CNRS-EHESS Paris) to establish a network of scholars interested in the resurgence of spirit possession rituals in mainland Southeast Asia, and he is currently writing a book on the political dimensions of new cults of wealth in Thailand.

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