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CSEAS associate Jui-Ching Wang, right, visited the Borobudur Buddhist temple in Central Java with 2012-13 Indonesian FLTA Dyah Mitayani during a sabbatical trip earlier this year in preparation for a Balinese arts and culture study-abroad program Wang led this summer. Learn more at this week’s lecture Friday.

Exploring the arts and culture of Bali

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The next half-century for Southeast Asian Studies at NIU will offer exciting opportunities for teaching and learning about this rising region of the world. To keep NIU’s program strong, consider making a donation to CSEAS through the NIU Foundation. To contribute online, go to the Donate Now tab at the NIU Foundation website. Under Designations, select “college or university wide program,” then write in “Center for Southeast Asian Studies.” Continue on through the form. If your employer matches your charitable donations, please take a moment to fill out that form. We appreciate every gift. Thank you!
1. Fall lecture series: Bali arts and culture

CSEAS associate Jui-Ching Wang (School of Music) will present “How Far Did We Go? Way Beyond Tourism” at noon Friday, Sept. 12, in Room 110 (Honors), Campus Life Building. Wang will discuss the arts and culture study-abroad program she led in Bali this summer. The Center apologizes for the lecture lunch mix-up. Lunch will be available this week. To order a Filipino lunch this year, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at CSEAS Brown Bag Lunch Order. Orders must be cancelled online by 10 a.m. Friday. Cost is $5 for students and $6 for faculty, staff and others. Payments may be made in cash or by check. For lunch details, e-mail seabrownbag@gmail.com.

2. Apply on campus Sept. 15 for student Fulbright awards

Interested in applying for a student Fulbright fellowship or English Teaching Assistantship? Now is the time to put the final touches on your application materials for this U.S. State Department-funded program. Sept. 15 is the deadline to apply through the Division of International Affairs, with interviews with the Campus Fulbright Committee slated for late September/early October. Students are advised to send draft proposals to Fulbright program advisor Valerie Garver (History) before that date. Contact her at 815-753-6823 or email her at vgarver@niu.edu.

3. Worlds of Southeast Asia open in campus exhibits

Two exhibits featuring Southeast Asian art and artifacts will be on display at NIU this semester at the NIU Art Museum and the NIU Anthropology Museum. (Another exhibit, on computer science and SEA, is on display at Founders Library; see photo).

“Dressing Difference: Exploring Ethnicities in Modern Burma” is on display at the NIU Art Museum through Nov. 15. This exhibit, co-curated by Center for Burma Studies Director Catherine Raymond and Sherry Harlacher, director of the Denison University Museum in Ohio, features the clothing, head coverings, accessories, weaponry, and smoking artifacts of a number of ethnic groups from Burma (Myanmar). The objects were drawn from Burma art collections at NIU and Denison. The opening reception will be 4:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11; Raymond and Harlacher will give an informal gallery talk from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, in conjunction with the symposium, Imaging the Others: The Art of Ethnography, which will be held the next day, Sept. 19, from 9 to 5 p.m. in 315 Altgeld.

“Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum,” which features items from the museum’s collection of over 20,000 ethnographic and archeological objects, will open Sept.
and run through May. The objects were selected by members of the NIU and local communities, including CSEAS associates. Director Judy Ledgerwood chose a prahok scoop, a basic kitchen tool in rural Cambodian homes, Assistant Director Trude Jacobsen selected a Cambodian cowbell, and Donn V. Hart Southeast Asia Collection curator Hao Phan picked a piece of Indonesian batik. The exhibit opens at 4 p.m. Sept. 23 with refreshments and live music. The museum was founded in 1964 by the Department of Anthropology. As part of the 50th celebration, forensic anthropologist Kathy Reichs, creator of the fictional character Temperance Brennan in books and the TV series Bones, will give a public lecture at 4 p.m. Oct. 23 in Sandburg Auditorium, Holmes Student Center.

4. **Save the dates:** Exhibit events, Fulbright deadlines, upcoming fairs

- **Sept. 11:** Public reception: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for “Dressing Difference: Exploring Ethnicities in Modern Burma,” curated by Center for Burma Studies Director and CSEAS associate Catherine Raymond, NIU Art Museum, Altgeld Hall. Curator’s gallery talk and reception 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. **Sept. 18.** Exhibit runs through **Nov. 15.**
- **Sept. 12:** 15th annual International Parade of Flags sponsored by the International Student and Faculty Office. Step-off at 1:30 a.m., east side of Huskie Stadium, with ceremony at noon in MLK Commons. **NEW**
- **Sept. 15:** NIU deadline to submit applications for Fulbright fellowships or English Teaching Assistantships.
- **Sept. 19:** Imaging the Others: The Art of Ethnography in Modern Burma symposium, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (lunch on your own), 315 Altgeld. Hosted by the Center for Burma Studies.
- **Sept. 23:** Exploring Majors Fair, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Duke Ellington Ballroom, Holmes Student Center.
- **Sept. 23:** Opening reception for “Curated by DeKalb: 50 Years of the Anthropology Museum” exhibit, 4 to 7 p.m., Anthropology Museum, Cole Hall. Refreshments and live music. The exhibit runs through May.
- **Sept. 25:** Study Abroad Fair, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Duke Ellington Ballroom, Holmes Student Center.

5. **Apply for student grants to fall COTS by Sept. 19**

Graduate students submitting papers to the fall Council on Thai Studies (COTS) annual meeting, scheduled for **Oct. 17–19** in Ingraham Hall at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, are invited to apply by **Sept. 19** for grants from the Thai Studies Fund Committee at NIU. The committee will consider applications for up to three NIU students to receive small grants to present their research work in Thai studies. Applications must include a concise description of the presentation and the acceptance letter from conference organizers. Successful applicants must both present and attend COTS. Applications should be addressed to the Thai Fund Committee and emailed to CSEAS associate Chalermsree Olson at eteolson@niu.edu. Rooms have been reserved at the Lowell Center on campus; deadline for hotel registration is **Sept. 16** (use group code COTS); call 866-301-1753 or
reserve online. Email brief abstracts and panel proposals, including contact information and institutional affiliation, to COTS chair Ian Baird, ibaird@wisc.edu. See COTS website for details.

6. Boren awards offer opportunity for intensive language study NEW
NIU political science PhD candidate Thomas Rhoden is spending this year in Thailand perfecting his Karen language skills courtesy of a prestigious Boren fellowship, one of 106 students nationwide receiving the award. The David L. Boren fellowships and scholarship program, an initiative of the national Security Education program, is open to U.S. undergraduate and graduate students to hone their language skills abroad, including Southeast Asian languages. Grants range from $20,000 for undergraduates to $30,000 for graduate students. The deadline to apply for Boren fellowships for undergraduates is Jan. 27 for graduate students and Feb. 4 for undergraduates. The Boren advisor at NIU is Study Abroad Director Anne Seitzinger; contact her at aseitz@niu.edu. For information on the program, see the Boren website.

7. Money for study

International Institute for Asian Studies, Leiden University


Social Science Research Council

- **International dissertation research fellowships**: Nine- to 12-month support for graduate students in humanities and humanistic social sciences. Amounts vary depending on research plan. **Deadline to apply**: Nov. 4. See website for details. NEW

American Institute for Indonesian Studies

- **AIFIS/CAORC research grants**: U.S. scholars invited to apply for $5,750 grants to support research in Indonesia. **Deadline**: Oct. 15. See website for details. NEW
- **AIFIS Henry Luce Foundation grants**: U.S. and Indonesian scholars invited to apply for $5,000 grants to support research across the field of contemporary and traditional Indonesian studies. **Deadline**: Nov. 14. See website for details. NEW

University of Cambridge

- **Charles Wallace Burma Trust Visiting Fellowship**: Centre of South Asian Studies three-month fellowship (Jan. 13 to March 13, 2015) open to Burmese scholars working in any field. **Deadline to apply**: Oct. 31. See website. NEW

East-West Center

- **2015–16 graduate fellowship opportunities**: Apply to study in Honolulu through variety of programs. **Deadline to apply**: Nov. 3. See website.

United States-Indonesia Society

- **2015 Sumitro Fellowships**: $10,000 travel/study grant for postdocs, PhD candidates, senior academics and qualified candidates. Two grants offered, one for U.S. citizens and one for Indonesian citizens. **Deadline to apply**: Jan. 31. See website.

8. Job/internship opportunities

Asia Society

- **Career opportunities**: Internships and jobs posted regularly on website.

World Health Organization
Global public health nonprofit based in Geneva, Switzerland, encourages online applications for potential employment. See WHO website.

Idealist.org

- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. See the Idealist website.

Hess International Educational Group

- **Teach English across Asia:** Taiwan-based organization offers free training, benefits, and flexible scheduling. Contact NIU alum Derek Wright at derek.wright@hess.com.tw or see the Hess website for details.

9. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops

- **Congress of the Asian Political and International Studies Association,** Sept. 19–20, Chiang Mai University Institute for Southeast Asian Affairs, Thailand. See conference website.
- **Council on Thai Studies,** Oct. 17–19, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts and proposals:** Aug. 31. See link for details.
- **1st International Conference on Salween-Thaniwin-Nu Studies,** Nov. 14–15, Chiang Mai University. Theme: State of Knowledge: Environmental Change, Livelihoods and Development. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts and panels:** Sept. 15. Send to Salween.studies@gmail.com.
- **Symposium on ‘Social Resistance in Non-Democracies,”** Nov. 24–26, Lund University, Sweden. See symposium website.
- **4th International JSA-ASEAN Conference,** Dec. 15–16, Thammasat University Institute of East Asian Studies. Theme: State and Non-state Actors in Japan-ASEAN Relations and Beyond. See conference website.
- **International Symposium on Cambodia,** Dec. 15–16, Royal University of Fine Arts, Phnom Penh. See symposium website.
- **Dynamics of Religion in Southeast Asia (DORISEA),** Jan. 23–24, Humboldt University, Berlin. See conference website.
- **Workshop: Religious Pluralism, Magic and Gender/Sex Diversity in Southeast Asia,** Jan. 21–22, Humboldt University, Berlin. Precedes DORISEA conference (see separate listing). Call for papers. Some travel funding available. **Deadline:** Sept. 30. Email peter.jackson@anu.edu.au for details.
- **International Graduate Student Conference on the Asia Pacific Region,** Feb. 12–14, East-West Center, Honolulu, HI. **Deadline for abstracts and travel grants:** Sept. 26. See conference website.
Third Hmong Consortium Conference, April 10–11, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. Theme: Hmong around the World. Call for papers. Abstracts due: Dec. 31. Email to conference chair Ian Baird at ibaird@wisc.edu. See consortium website.

International Convention of Asia Scholars 9, July 5–9, Adelaide, Australia. Call for papers and proposals. Deadline: Sept. 10. See conference website.


10. Area Southeast Asia cultural opportunities

- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The Cambodian Association of Illinois also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.
- The Indonesian Consulate in Chicago offers free Javanese gamelan and dance is offered from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays; gamelan music and Indonesian dance 3 to 6 p.m. Sundays. See consulate website.

Persons with a disability who need assistance at any CSEAS event may contact Rita Miller at 815-753-1771 or nschunem@niu.edu. To no longer receive this bulletin, reply to this e-mail with request to remove your name. Please specify your name or organization with which this mailing is linked.