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## CHAIR'S REPORT

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David W. Edgington

This column will be my last as Chair of our Specialty Group. After the AAG meeting in Philadelphia I will be 'handing the baton' over to Hussein Amery (Colorado School of Mines). Let me say that over the past two years I have enjoyed working with the Specialty Group's Executive Officers and Members, as well as attending stimulating panels on a wide variety of research on Asia at the AAG meetings in Los Angeles and New Orleans. Our Specialty Group's financial situation is sound and the membership is stable. It seems to me that the Group's most pressing need is to recruit more students into the field and then to bring them to future AAG meetings. We must renew our own population base!

Asia is still in the news, with recent stories about Malaysia's new Prime Minister, the election in Iran and a forthcoming presidential election in Tai-

wan, as well as Avian flu in China and Southeast Asia. Let me indulge myself by telling you about two recent instances where I have been able to provide an (Asian?) geographical input into research projects here at the University of British Columbia. One was a multi-disciplinary study of International Finance Centres in the Pacific Rim. This project is funded by a special secretariat of APEC (the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum) based in Shanghai. Working with a graduate student I was able to generate maps showing important centres of international banking, also shifts in the rank-order of 36 Pacific Rim cities by number of international banks over the 1980s and 1990s. These included Tokyo, Singapore, Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur. My colleagues from our Business School were well versed in the powers of regression analysis to explain factors influencing growth and decline. But they seemed to be astounded by the power of GIS and the importance

of visual representation in the analysis we provided.



**David Edgington,  
Chair of the AGSG**

The second example looked at Asian immigration into my own city – Vancouver – now one of the most multicultural urban areas in North America. Here, I joined researchers from other disciplines who were interested in the commercial and urban planning implications of Hong Kong business investment during the years leading up to the handover of Hong Kong to the People's Republic of China in 1997. In this period several tens of thousands of Hong

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Kong migrants came to Vancouver, many under a special business investor program. Geographical analysis of Canadian census data showed the locational distribution of residents in Vancouver who originally came from Hong Kong, indicating a dual processes of spatial dispersion into the suburbs as well as local clustering over time. Full results have been posted as a working paper on the web pages of Metropolis Project/RIIM (Research on Immigration and Integration in the Metropolis: [http://riim.metropolis.net/frameset\\_e.html](http://riim.metropolis.net/frameset_e.html)). Finally, I would like to thank Todd Stradford for putting this edition of the Bulletin together. AGSG sponsored sessions at the AAG this year are shown on page 7. To celebrate the special theme of the 100th AAG anniversary, the Asian Geography Specialty Group and the China Geography Specialty Group is co-sponsoring a panel which examines "**One Hundred Years of Asian Geography**" (session 6209). This is scheduled on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2004, from

10:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m, in Marriot 309. The session will provide a forum for a panel of speakers representing our different areas (as well as the audience) to ruminate on the progress made in conducting research in the Asian region, as well as the vexed issue of interpreting Asian Geography over the last century. Please come to this and give us your views on the history and contemporary state of geographic research in Asia. We hope to record the event and write it up for a future edition of the Bulletin.

You are also warmly invited to the **AGSG Business Meeting** (session 5708) taking place on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2004, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Marriot 308. The Agenda for this Business Meeting is included in this Bulletin (below).

See you all in Philadelphia!

David W. Edgington

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## AGSG Business Meeting

**Session 5708.** Asian Geography Specialty Group Business Meeting is scheduled on Thursday, 3/18/2004 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Room Marriot 308.

Agenda.

1. Chair's Report, 2003-4 (David Edgington)
2. 2004 Election Results (Hussein Amery)
3. Budget Report, 2003-4 (Hussein Amery)
4. Bulletin of Asian Geography, Editor's Report, 2003-4 (Todd Stradford)

5. Area Directors' Reports, 2003-4
  - East Asia (Henry Yeung)
  - South Asia (Elizabeth Chacko)
  - Southeast Asia (James Tyner)
  - Southwest Asia (Ghazi-Walid Falah)

6. 2004 Distinguished Service Award (David Edgington)

7. 2004 Student Essay Award/s (Hussein Amery)

8. Any other business.

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## Book Review : Global Goes Local: Popular Culture in Asia

### Global Goes Local: Popular Culture in Asia

Edited by Timothy J. Craig and Richard King.  
Vancouver, University of British Columbia Press.  
2002. viii. 309 pp. CAN\$85 hc, CAN\$29.95 pc.  
ISBN: 0-774874-8, cloth; 0-7748-0975-6, paper.

*Global Goes Local* is an edited volume comprised of chapters that address Asian popular culture media including visual art, music, pop culture icons and television. The case studies range from the interpretation and appeal of Hulk Hogan to the Upriver People of Borneo to the evolution of Japanese war songs. The diversity of regions and media make much of the book an engaging read. The book is organized in three major sections. In Part 1, the first five chapters address questions regarding the interplay of influences that occurs between "global" and "local" popular culture. Part 2 focuses upon contested political, ideological and spiritual issues as represented by dominant ideologies and examples of resistant popular culture media. Part 3 is devoted to the influence of popular culture on the production of identities relating to nation, ethnicity, place, generation, and class. There is an appealing immediacy to most of the chapters -- especially those that are the result of field work in a variety of East Asian countries. The authors generally are successful at showing how particular case studies relate to the broader cultural contexts in which they occur.

Chapter 1, by Peter Metcalf, is an examination of the appeal of wrestler Hulk Hogan to the Upriver people of Borneo. In his discussion, Metcalf describes the ways in which Hulk Hogan embodies various cultural ideals of the Upriver people, and the ways in which these readings differ from the Western discourses surrounding the wrestler. In chapter 2, Mercedes Dujunco discusses Chinese popular music in terms of its hybridity and its relations to Chinese socialist revolutionary culture. Chapter 3, Michiyo Yoneno Reyes examines how the practice of improvised lyrics sung to traditional melodies traditionally practiced in the Cordillera region of the Philippines has been influenced by the globalization of Western pop music. In chapter 4, Eric Thompson focuses upon Ella, Malaysia's "Queen of Rock". Paradoxically, the au-

thor suggests that the music and album art of Ella's release, *Ella USA* both embraces and rejects the representation of rock and roll as emblematic of the "West." In chapter 5, Keith Howard provides a detailed account of the evolution of Korean pop music from the "song movement" genre, similar to American folk music of the 1960s to recent styles that have adapted the influences of rap and reggae and made them relevant for Korean youth...

Chapter 6, by Janet L. Upton, is the first article in the second set of essays regarding political, ideological and spiritual tensions in Asian popular culture. Upton describes the commercialization of Tibetan culture and, specifically, Tibetan music, for global and, ironically, Han Chinese audiences. The author's discussion raises familiar questions about the relationship between power, representation and commodification. In chapter 7, Michael Keane discusses the cultural influence of Chinese television dramas upon Chinese audiences. Chapter 8, by Azrina Husin, also about the cultural influence of television, focuses upon the mixing of product advertisements with "secondary discourses" that promote social messages of high priority to the government of Malaysia. Chapter 9, by Patanna Kitiarsa, discusses the history and continuing popularity of spirit mediumship within the context of discourses of modernism and rationality promoted by the government of Thailand and the state sponsored religion, Theravada Buddhism. In chapter 10, Mark MacWilliams identifies the religious themes that are evident in commercially produced *manga*. He notes that while mass-marketed *manga* do not overtly proselytize any of the "new" religions in Japan, the stories told include myths, rituals, gods and practices from traditional Japanese religious life.

Part 3 of *Global Goes Pop* is devoted to the creation, assertion and representation of identity in Asian popular culture. Chapter 11, by Nancy Break and John Pavia, examine the images of Asians in the art of the Great Pacific War. Break and Pavia argue that art historians would benefit from taking a fresh approach to war art that moves the discussion beyond propagandistic depictions of valiant

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soldiers and "in-human" enemies. In chapter 12, Junko Oba discusses the changing social contexts of *gunka*, Japanese military songs. While originally composed as battle songs fifty years after the Asia Pacific War, *gunka* are a medium through which veterans continue to construct their war memories within a modern de-militarized Japan. In chapter 13, Isabel K.F. Wong describes how the city of Shanghai has been produced in the cultural imagination by Chinese popular songs. Chapter 14, by Rachel Harris, examines the local music industry of the Xinjiang Ulyghur Autonomous Region in northwest China. Harris discusses the influence of inexpensive cassette technology upon ethnic nationalism and resistance to the cultural dominance of Han Chinese.

In their introduction, Craig and King outline two contrasting views on the influence of Western popular culture on the countries of Asia. One view suggests that the prevalence of Western popular culture in an increasingly globalized economy is yet another example of cultural imperialism in which regional Asian artists are complicit. However, Craig and King also offer another view: "An opposing, and more optimistic view of popular culture in an age of

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global communication holds that many local cultures may prove resilient; that the apparent cultural hegemony of the West may be only a transitional phase in a symbiotic process whereby popular culture is constantly being discovered and reconfigured by its audiences and performers, only then to be co-opted by the producers and executive who package and market it" (5). The chapters of this collection adhere to the assumptions and interpretations of this second view. While the writing styles of the authors vary – sometimes causing jarring transitions between chapters (at least for this reader), as a whole the chapters complement each other within the simple and logical organization of the book. *Global Goes Local* would be an engaging text for courses in Asian studies, cultural geography, ethnomusicology, and any other disciplines in which the political and economic aspects of popular culture are discussed within a framework of identity, representation and nationalism.

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## Book Review: Critical Reflections on Cities in Southeast Asia

### Critical Reflections on Cities in Southeast

**Asia** . Edited by Tim Bunnell, Lisa B.W. Drummond and K.C. Ho. Singapore. Times Academic Press in Association with Brill Academic Publishers. 2002. 351 pp. (Tables, figures.) £45.00 cloth. ISBN 981-210-192-6.

*Critical Reflections on Cities in Southeast Asia* grew from the papers presented at a workshop on Southeast Asian Futures, held at the National University of Singapore in July 2000. As befits a product of that fecund meeting ground of "indigenous" Southeast Asian and "Western" scholarship, the book contains a mix of papers by authors from Southeast Asia and outside it, and while the somewhat fungible term "critical" supplies the overarching theoretical orien-

tation the papers also present a variety of theoretical perspectives and topical themes. Given that all of the chapters except the editors' introduction were written in the pre-9/11 era, Tim Bunnell, Lisa B.W. Drummond and K.C. Ho appropriately note some missing themes that might need interrogation in the era of post-9/11 quasi-security states, but the themes these papers do address are certainly of long-term significance to an understanding of urban transformation in Southeast Asia.

The chapters of *Critical Reflections* are broken into three thematic sections. The first of these, "(Re) conceptualization," addresses issues surrounding how Southeast Asian cities should be seen and theorized in an era of "globalization" and

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"informationalism." Terry McGee's overview of his own theoretical trajectories since writing his 1967 book, *The Southeast Asian City*, frames this section, and suggests (among other things) that recent developments in Southeast Asian urban centers—including the harsh inequalities that have persisted under "globalization"—might rekindle the sorts of socialist and humanist commitments that animated scholarship in the 1960s and 1970s. Two subsequent chapters, by Wendy Mee (on Malaysia's multimedia technopole) and Merlyna Lim (on the development of Bandung as a "telematic" city), suggest some of the specific technological, social, and spatial developments that an updated version of McGee's book would need to address. Stephen Cairns' reading of the study of Southeast Asian urbanism through ideas from Jean-Francois Lyotard's writings is perhaps the most direct invocation of critical theory among the chapters, while Abidin Kusno's chapter on Southeast Asian architecture after nationalism (drawn from his book *Behind the Postcolonia*) manifests a similar critical theoretic spirit, directed specifically at interrogating the arguably outmoded (if still politically salient) nationalist agendas shaping much urban planning and architecture in the region.

The second section of the book deals with the theme of "inter-city competition." Among the themes coming up for discussion here is the urban entrepreneurialism so much discussed in studies of European and North American cities. C. P. Pow shows that this entrepreneurialism has been alive and well in Singapore, as illustrated by the development of Suntec City, and the Singaporean government's involvement in this development. Marc Boey interrogates a similar kind of entrepreneurialism—albeit that of a nation- rather than a city-state—in his discussion of Malaysia's Multimedia Super Corridor. Mike Douglass casts the social results of such entrepreneurialism in sharp relief by noting the inequalities and problems of sustainability that have been spawned or aggravated in Southeast Asia, as well as the rise of civil society groups that are contesting this process and putting forward programs for the

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development of livable cities.

The third section of the book is comprised of a series of "interventions," discussions of specific struggles and development projects that are shaping Southeast Asian cities. Trevor Hogan and Christopher Houston critically interrogate the development of corporate cities in Indonesia, Emma Porio outlines struggles of poor communities over housing in Metro Manila, Lenora Angeles critically examines the institutionalization of various programs for more gender-equitable development in Baguio City, while M.

Amiruddin Fawzi and Lim Hooi Siang analyze different aspects of tourism heritage projects as development strategies in Malaysia.

Two aspects of these chapters seem to me especially worth noting. First, *Critical Reflections* engages many of the ideas that have ani-

ated writing on cities of the Global North ("informationalism" and centralization-decentralization dialectics, urban entrepreneurialism, the struggle for social justice and public space in the city) but does so in a way that introjects some of the specificities of scholarship from the Global South into the discussion. It seems to me that such efforts to enter and re-shape debates being generated within the Northern academy (and based on studies of Northern cities) are crucial if we are to continue to try to develop more theoretically worldly geographical and urban studies.

Second, and directly related to the first point, I find it enabling and constructive that the scholars contributing to this collection are in fact unabashed about using concepts developed in heterogeneous locations for interrogation of Southeast Asian realities. McGee's concept of *desakota* zones—an attempt by a "Westerner" to think Southeast Asian urban realities in a more "indigenized" fashion, and therefore itself a concept speaking to hybridization—comes in for some appreciative critical discussion in Cairns' chapter. Kusno's critical use of a self-consciously hybrid (post-colonial) theoretical perspective to critique nationalist Southeast Asian architecture—a creative appropriation of "global" con-





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cepts by an “indigenous” scholar who turns these concepts against the repressive face of Southeast Asian nationalism—is especially illustrative of the potential of such border crossings and transgressions (a point appreciated by Hogan and Houston in their use of Kusno’s ideas).

This having been said, the research agendas suggested by such approaches are sometimes only thinly sketched in the chapters of *Critical Reflections*. This is to be expected in a collection of conference papers, and to some extent it is also an inevitable function of the fact that in spite of more than a decade of research on the interconnected themes of “globalization,” “informationalism,” “global neo-liberalism,” and the like, these terms still

refer to social processes at an early stage of development—compared to the sorts of “nationalist” processes that shaped urban centers and the study of them in the immediate post-World War II period. Thus, we should expect that the kinds of studies sketched by these chapters will be more fully elaborated as the processes they analyze evolve in the future.

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### Where in the Asian World?



**Last Issue:** This is the “Xin Xiang Barber Salon” in Singapore, a mix of old and new .



## 2004 AAG Meeting AGSG Sponsored Sessions:

### Sessions at the AAG 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting 5-8 March 2003 Philadelphia, which are sponsored by the AGSG.

[see the AAG Web Site for Room details at  
[Http://www.aag.org](http://www.aag.org)]

### On line AAG Meeting/Paper/Panel Schedule:

<http://convention.allacademic.com/aag2004/schedule.html>

### Meeting:

**5708. Asian Geography Specialty Group Business Meeting.** Thursday, 3/18/2004 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Marriot Room 308.

### Sessions:

#### Plenary Session:

**2107. Geographies of Development in Asia I: Plenary**

(Sponsored by Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group)

**Monday, 3/15/2004 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

**Chair(s):** Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

**Participant(s):**

Brian McVeigh - University of Arizona (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Developing "Consumutopias": Emerging Geographies of Theme Parks, Cyberspace, and the Interiorized Individual**

Yuko Aoyama - Clark University (Discussant)

Christopher J. Smith - University at Albany (Discussant)

**2207. Geographies of Development in Asia II: Cross-Regional Analysis**

(Sponsored by Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group)

**Monday, 3/15/2004 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

**Chair(s):** Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

**Participant(s):**

Jack F. Williams - Michigan State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Cybercities of Asia: Measur-**

### ing Globalization Using Hyperlinks

Jessie P. Poon - University at Buffalo-SUNY (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Technology Sourcing among Asian Firms in the U.S.**

Annitra Jongsthapongpanth - SUNY at Buffalo (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: U.S.-Asia Interdependencies: A Study of Knowledge and Business Links**

Robert Hassink - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Political Lock-Ins and the Restructuring of Textile Industry Regions in South Korea and Germany**

David R. Meyer - Brown University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Competition Among Asian Financial Centers for Control Over China's Integration With Global Capital Markets**

**2407. Geographies of Development in Asia III: Regional Development in China**

(Sponsored by Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group)

**Monday, 3/15/2004 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

**Chair(s):** David R. Meyer - Brown University

**Participant(s):**

Andrew M. Marton - University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Institutional Reforms and Spatial Restructuring in the Pudong New Area**

Xiaoping Shen - Central Connecticut State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Economic restructuring and urban land use transformation in China - Case study of Xi'an**

Gregory Veeck - Western Michigan University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Agriculture in Extended Metropolitan Regions in Asia: A Case Study of the Shanghai-Nanjing-Hanzhou District**

Danlin Yu - University of Wisc. Milwaukee (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Regional Development in the Greater Beijing Area: A GIS and Spatial Perspective**

Mark Henderson - University of California, Berkeley (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Spatial Contexts of Urbanization and Land Conservation in North China**

Chien Shih-Shen - LSE (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Regional Innovative Admini-**

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**stration and the Development of City-Regions in Post-Mao China: the case study of Suzhou on the way toward exported-oriented economy**

### 2507. *Geographies of Development in Asia IV: Foreign Investment in China*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group*)

**Monday, 3/15/2004 from 3:00 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.**

*Organizer(s):* Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore  
Yehua D. Wei - University of Wisconsin

*Chair(s):* Jessie P. Poon - University at Buffalo-SUNY

*Participant(s):*

Chi Kin Leung - California State University, Fresno (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: A Structural Analysis of Foreign Investment in Shanghai's Development Zones**

Jun Luo - University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Sociospatial disparity in urban China, a case study of Nanjing**

Sharmistha Bagchi-Sen - SUNY-Buffalo (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Comparative Perspectives on the Biotechnology Industry in China and India**

Yehua D. Wei - University of Wisconsin (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Development Zones, Foreign Investment, and Global-City Formation in Shanghai**

Ying Qiu - University of Birmingham, UK (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Foreign Direct Investment in China's Interior in the Post-1978 Period: Locational Determinants**

### 3101. *Indigenous Peoples and Protected Areas I*

(Sponsored by *Indigenous Peoples Specialty Group, Cultural Ecology Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group*)

**Tuesday, 3/16/2004 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.**

*Organizer(s):* Stan Stevens - University of Massachusetts

*Chair(s):* Stan Stevens - University of Massachusetts

*Participant(s):*

Robin Roth - Clark University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Indigenous Spatiality and Conservation Conflict: the expansion of protected areas into the inhabited forests of Northern Thailand.**

Brian Conz - University of Massachusetts (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Protected Areas, NGOs, and Local Politics in the Forests of Totoncapán**

Heather Tetrault - University of Massachusetts (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Gwich'in, Subsistence, and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska**

Chris R. Coggins - Simons Rock College (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Forests, and Protected Area Management**

Stan Stevens - University of Massachusetts (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Sherpas, Forest Conservation, and Contestation in Sagarmatha (Mt. Everest) National Park and Buffer Zone, Nepal**

### 3107. *Geographies of Development in Asia V*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group*)

**Tuesday, 3/16/2004 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.**

*Organizer(s):* Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

*Chair(s):* Chi Kin Leung - California State University, Fresno

*Participant(s):*

Jiantao Lu - University of California (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: The Social Network of Overseas Chinese Investment in Mainland China**

David W. Edgington - University of British Columbia (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: The Flying Geese Meet the Big Panda: Japan-China Relationships and the Electronics Industry.**

Bongman Seo - University of Minnesota (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Geopolitics of Financial Networks: Japanese City Banks in Global Syndicated Credit Markets**

Asato Saito - National University of Singapore (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: New Uneven Geography of Japan: Regional planning under the neo-liberal reform**

Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Managing Economic (In)security in the Global Economy: Institutional Capacity and Singapore's Developmental State**

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### 3207. *Geographies of Development in Asia VI*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group*)

**Tuesday, 3/16/2004 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.**

*Organizer(s)*: Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - National University of Singapore

*Chair(s)*: David W. Edgington - University of British Columbia

*Participant(s)*:

Sam Ock Park - Seoul National Univ (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Innovation networks in longevity area of Korea**

Kumuda Dorai - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: The role of e-democracy in the economic growth of Andhra Pradesh**

Josh Lepawsky - University of Kentucky (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: The Multimedia Super Corridor is (not) a geographical phenomenon: race, class, and development in Malaysia.**

Simon R. Potter - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Publicly Displayed Illustrated Maps in Japan as a Cultural Testimony of a Wealthier Lifestyle**

Sarah Turner - McGill University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: A landscape's heritage called into question: The paradox of Hanoi's Ancient Quarter**

### 3407. *Hi-tech spaces: case studies of technology clusters in mainland China and Taiwan*

(Sponsored by *China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group*)

**Tuesday, 3/16/2004 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.**

*Organizer(s)*: Yifei Sun - California State University Yu Zhou - Vassar College

*Chair(s)*: Yu Zhou - Vassar College

*Participant(s)*:

Susan M. Walcott - Georgia State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Constructing Spaces for Modernizing Places: Technology Parks in China and India**

Yifei Sun - California State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Does Internet Access Matter for Rural Industry? A Case Study of Jiangsu**

Weidong Liu - Chinese Academy of Sciences (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Impacts of New ICTs on Local Cluster of Firms**

Jinn-yuh Hsu - National Taiwan University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: How to Go beyond Late-development? The Collective Learning strategies of Latecomer firms in Taiwan's High-technology Industries**

Debin Du - Geography Department, East China Normal University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Shanghai: A Emerging Global R&D Base for Multinational Corporations**

Cindy Fan - UCLA (Discussant)

### 3509. *State-society relations and geography: Part 2*

(Sponsored by *Political Geography Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group, Socialist Geography Specialty Group*)

**Tuesday, 3/16/2004 from 3:00 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.**

*Organizer(s)*: Raju J. Das - University of Dundee

*Chair(s)*: Thomas Klak - Miami University of Ohio

*Participant(s)*:

Jerome M. Pendras - Rutgers University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Relating place and capital: the politics of capital mobility in the US**

Alistair Fraser - Ohio State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Space, class and agrarian struggle in South Africa**

Jacquelyn Jordon Core - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: State Enforcement of Labor Laws and the Politics of Scale**

Raju J. Das - University of Dundee (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: State-Society Synergy and the So-Called Linking Social Capital: A Critical Investigation**

Gina Porter - University of Durham (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: Development NGOs and the state under 'good governance': critical voices or collaborators in neo-liberalism**

### 4408. *Development and Change in South Asia*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group*)

**Wednesday, 3/17/2004 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.**

*Organizer(s)*: Elizabeth Chacko - The George Washington University Bharat Dahiya - WORLD BANK

*Chair(s)*: Elizabeth Chacko - The George Washington University

*Participant(s)*:

Daanish Mustafa - University of South Florida (Presenter)

**Abstract Title: The Social Construction of Hydropolitics: The Geographical Scales of Water and Security in the Indus Basin**

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Bharat Dahiya - WORLD BANK (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Urban Environment and Spaces of Self-help in Chennai City

Suresh Kumar Rohilla - School Of Geography (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Ground Water and Urban Development in Peri - Urban areas: A Case Study from Delhi, India

Mandeep Singh - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Water Restructuring in Rajasthan: A Review of World Bank Project.

Elizabeth Chacko - The George Washington University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Development and Women in Kerala: Past successes, future trajectories

### 4457. *A Century of Interaction between West and Japan*

(Sponsored by Asian Geography Specialty Group)

**Wednesday, 3/17/2004 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Pradyumna P. Karan - University Of Kentucky

Unryu Suganuma - Hokuriku University

**Chair(s):** Roman Cybriwsky - Temple University Japan

**Participant(s):**

Pradyumna P. Karan - University Of Kentucky (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Founders of Japanese Geography in America 1900-1950

Nathalie Marie Cavasin - Waseda University, Temple University Japan (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** The Europeans Geographers and the Study of Japan During the 19th Century to 1950

Noritaka Yagasaki - Tokyo Gakugei University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Japanese Geographers and American Studies in the Past 100 Years

Unryu Suganuma - Hokuriku University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** A Century Debate of the Japanese Diaspora

Shawn M. Banasick - Kent State University (Discussant)

### 4508. *Local Environmental Problem and Anti-U.S. Base Movement in Japan*

(Sponsored by Asian Geography Specialty Group)

**Wednesday, 3/17/2004 from 3:00 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Unryu Suganuma - Hokuriku University

**Chair(s):** Unryu Suganuma - Hokuriku University

**Participant(s):**

Shawn M. Banasick - Kent State University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** U.S. Military Bases and the Politics of Scale in Okinawa

Todd Stradford - UW-Platteville (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Citizens for Saving the Kawabe River - A Grassroots Environmental Movement

Kenji Yamazaki - Meiji University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** The Grassroots Movement for Conserving Sanbanze (Chiba Prefecture, Japan) and Urban Landscape

Akiko Ikeguchi - Nagoya University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Transition of environmental policy and its impact on tidal flat in Okinawa, Japan.

### 5109. *Migration in China: Urban, Rural and Regional Perspectives*

(Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group, Population Specialty Group)

**Thursday, 3/18/2004 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.**

**Organizer(s):** Cindy Fan - UCLA

**Chair(s):** Christopher J. Smith - University at Albany

**Participant(s):**

Antonia Bennett - University of Washington & Kam Wing Chan - University of Washington (Co-Presenters)

**Abstract Title:** How many people in Beijing? Urban population, floating population, implications.

Cindy Fan - UCLA (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Interprovincial migration in China: Population redistribution and regional development in the 1980s and 1990s

John Zhongdong Ma - Hong Kong University (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Labor migration and income growth in rural China in the 1990s

Wenfei Winnie Wang - UCLA (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Urban-rural Return Migration in China: A Case Study of Sichuan and Anhui

Clifton W. Pannell - University of Georgia (Discussant)

### 5257. *China's Urban Economic and Spatial Transformation*

(Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group)

**Thursday, 3/18/2004 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.**

**Organizer(s):** George Lin - University of Hong Kong

**Chair(s):** George Lin - University of Hong Kong

**Participant(s):**

Feng Deng - Independent (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Emerging Urban Institutions

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Roger C.K. Chan - [The University Of Hong Kong](#)  
(Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Innovation and Institutional Environment for High-tech Industrial Development: The Case of Shanghai

Hu Zhiyong - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Deconstructing State-owned Enterprises in Socialist China under Reform: A Scalar Interpretation

Yang Fan - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Services and Metropolitan Development in China: the Case of Guangzhou

George Lin - [University of Hong Kong](#) (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Urbanization and Non-Agricultural Land Use in Post-Reform China

### 5409. *Unbounding Asian Geographies*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group*)

#### Thursday, 3/18/2004 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.

**Organizer(s):** Lisa Drummond - [York University](#)  
Tim Bunnell -

**Chair(s):** Lisa Drummond - [York University](#)  
Tim Bunnell -

#### **Participant(s):**

Robert Culp - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Maps, Metaphors, and Historical Projection: Imagining China's Nation-Space during the Republican Period

Steven Flusty - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** A Clash of Globalizations?: Reweaving Worlds along the Silk Road.

Lisa Drummond - [York University](#) (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Public spaces and public meanings: Concepts of 'public' in Vietnam

Tim Bunnell - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** The difference(s) that connections make: unbounding Malaysia's kampung landscapes

Jim Glassman - [University Of British Columbia](#)  
(Discussant)

#### Panel Session:

### 6209. *One Hundred Years of Asian Geography*

(Sponsored by *Asian Geography Specialty Group, China Specialty Group*)

#### Friday, 3/19/2004 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

**Organizer(s):** David W. Edgington - [University Of British Columbia](#)

**Chair(s):** David W. Edgington - [University Of British Columbia](#)

#### **Participant(s):**

Clifton W. Pannell - [University of Georgia](#) (Panelist)

Ashok K. Dutt - [University Of Akron](#) (Panelist)

Dona J. Stewart - [Georgia State University](#) (Panelist)

Pradyumna P. Karan - [University Of Kentucky](#) (Panelist)

Henry Wai\_chung Yeung - [National University of Singapore](#) (Panelist)

### 6409. *Regulating or accommodating: State and the high-tech industry in China*

(Sponsored by *China Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group*)

#### Friday, 3/19/2004 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:40 p.m.

**Organizer(s):** Yifei Sun - [California State University Yu Zhou](#) - [Vassar College](#)

**Chair(s):** Yifei Sun - [California State University](#)

#### **Participant(s):**

Jun Zhang - [University of Minnesota](#) (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** The State, Market Transition and the Development of the Internet Industry in China

Peilei Fan - [Massachusetts Institute Of Technology](#)  
(Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Does the Government Play a Role in late Industrialization? Evidence from Chinese Domestic Firms' Catching-up

Yu Zhou - [Vassar College](#) (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** The making of an innovative region in China: Institutional evolution in Zhongguancun, Beijing

Yun-Chung Chen - (Presenter)

**Abstract Title:** Competing High-tech Strategies of the Beijing and Shanghai governments

George Lin - [University of Hong Kong](#) (Discussant)





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September 8-11, 2004

AAG Pacific Coast Division Meeting  
San Luis Obispo, CA

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30 September-2 October, 2004

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Oshkosh, Wisconsin

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