

Southeast Asian Studies Symposium

Reflections on Southeast Asian Studies: The Past, Present and Future

24 – 25 April 2024

SHHK Auditorium (SHHK-B1-14)

DAY 1 – 24 APRIL 2024

3:30PM– 3:35PM **Opening Remarks by Prof Joseph Liow, CoHASS**
Dean, College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (CoHASS), NTU

3:35PM– 4:30PM **Keynote Speech:**
“Siam Stamped: Philatelic Perspectives on Thailand’s Cultural Communication”.
by Prof Duncan McCargo
Professor of Global Affairs, PPGA, School of Social Sciences, NTU
Professor of English (by courtesy), School of Humanities, NTU

4.30PM- 6PM **Reception**

DAY 2 – 25 APRIL 2024

8:30AM – 9:10AM **Registration and Refreshments**

9:10AM **M.L. Pattaratorn Chirapravati, Visiting Professor introducing Prof Luke Kang Kwong Kapathy**

9:15AM-9.30AM **Opening Remarks by Prof Luke Kang Kwong Kapathy**
Chair, School of Humanities (SoH)

9:30AM – 11:30AM **Panel 1: Culture and Heritage**
Panel Chair: Assoc. Prof Goh Geok Yian, Associate Chair, School of Humanities (SoH), NTU
1a: “Ritual, Buddhism and the State in Myanmar–intersecting and Conflicting Roles in Maintaining Heritage.”
Charlotte Galloway (ANU College of Arts and Social Science)
1b: “Repatriation of Southeast Asian Objects from Western Museum Collections: Lessons Learned and Ways Forward.”
M.L. Pattaratorn Chirapravati, Visiting Professor, School of Humanities, WKWSCI, NTU
1c: “From Kampung to Urban Singapore: A Tussle for Spatial and Socio-cultural Spaces.”
Sa’eda Bte Buang (NIE, NTU)
1d: “Not Nostalgia: Heritage, the Everyday, and Vernacular Forms as Persisting Critical Devices of Contemporary Southeast Asian Art.”
iola Lenzi (SoH, NTU)
Panel Discussion and Q&A

11:30AM – 1PM **Lunch Break**

1PM – 3:00PM **Panel II: Media Representations and Industries**
Panel Chair: Prof May O. Lwin, Chair, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI)

2a: "ASEAN Against Goliaths: Crafting Policies for a Fair Digital Future."

Ang Peng Hwa, Director, University Scholars Program, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI), NTU

2b: "Interrogating the Disneyfication of Southeast Asia."

Kevin Chew, Asst. Professor, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI), NTU

2c: "Screen Terror Southeast Asia: Marketing, Distribution and Thematic Tradition in Thai Horror Cinema."

Ian Dixon, Assoc. Professor, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI), NTU

2d: "Servicing Smart Phones in Southeast Asia: The Case of CarlCare in Vietnam, Thailand, and Indonesia."

Jack Qiu, Professor, Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI), NTU

Panel Discussion and Q&A

3:00PM – 3:30PM

Coffee Break

3:30PM – 5:30PM

Panel III: Politics and History

Panel Chair: Assoc. Prof Kei Koga (SSS)

Opening Remarks by Assoc. Prof Kei Koga

Head, Public Policy and Global Affairs, SSS, NTU

3a: "Village Democracy in Indonesia: Analyzing and Explaining Variation in Local Governance Regimes."

Edward Aspinall, Professor of Politics, Department of Political & Social Change, Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University

3b: "Piety, Power and the Ulama: Religion and the State in Malaysia and Southern Thailand."

Walid Jumblatt Bin Abdullah, Asst. Professor, PPGA, School of Social Sciences (SSS), NTU

3c: "Religious Imaginary, Micro-Politics and Secularism in Singapore."

Lim Khek Gee, Francis, Assoc. Professor in Sociology, School of Social Sciences (SSS), NTU

Panel Discussion and Q&A

5:30PM – 5:35PM

Closing Remarks by Prof May O. Lwin

Chair, WKWSCI, NTU
