COUNCIL ON THAI STUDIES

12-14 OCTOBER 2018

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ABOUT COTS

COTS, established in 1972, is a consortium of universities with a particular interest in Thai Studies. The annual COTS meeting is designed to provide scholars, students, and practitioners with opportunities to present both preliminary and more developed research analysis and reflections, primarily in the social sciences and humanities, related to Thai Studies.

FRIDAY, 12 OCTOBER

12.00-12.15 PM OPENING OF COTS
TYRELL HABERKORN, UW-MADISON

12.15-1.30 PM KEYNOTE ADDRESS/CSEAS FRIDAY FORUM
“DEVELOPMENT AND IMPACT OF THE THAI MILITARY’S POLITICAL OFFENSIVE”
PUANGTHONG PAWAKAPAN, CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY AND HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE

1.30-2.30 PM BREAK

2.30-3.40 PM PANEL 1: CAPITAL AND REGULATION
CHAIR: JANPANIT SURASIN
* KAMAL NARAYANAN, “EMERGING CAPITALISM IN THAILAND - A COMPARISON OF POLITICAL ECONOMIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA”
* NITCHAPAT KITCHARNERN, CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY, “REALITY AND RHETORICS OF CHANGES IN THAILAND’S UNIVERSITY ADMISSION POLICY (1999-2017)”

3.50-5.00 PM PANEL 2: RESISTANCE AND DIFFERENCE ACROSS LANGUAGE AND MARGINS
CHAIR: ERICK WHITE
* MATTHEW GRIFFIN, UW-MADISON, “PRODUCTION OF PHONETIC AND PHONOLOGICAL CONTRASTS BY THAI HERITAGE SPEAKERS”
* ALAN POTKIN, NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, “SHAN RESISTANCE TO SALween HYDROPOWER AND THE PRESENT UNRESOLVED INSURGENCY”
* WILL SHATTUCK, UW-MADISON, “NEGOTIATING THE RUBBER PRICE DROP: THE WORK OF REGIONAL-POLITICAL EXPRESSION IN SOUTHERN THAILAND”

5.00-5.15 PM BREAK

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5,15-6,05 PM  PANEL 3: MILITARY, DEMOCRACY AND THE PLACE OF POLITICS
CHAIR: PENCHAN PHOBORISUT
* PAUL CHAMBERS, "LOCATING GEN. KRIT SIVARA IN THE EVOLUTION OF THAILAND’S DEFECTIVE DEMOCRACY"

6,15-7,30 PM  PANEL 4: THE COLD WAR: SECRETS, SPIRITS AND KINGS
CHAIR: JEFFREY SHANE
* SHANE STRATE, KENT STATE UNIVERSITY, "RELIGION FOLLOWS THE FLAG: THE VIETNAM WAR AND MORMONISM’S RETURN TO THAILAND, 1961-76"
* SINAE HYUN, UW-WHITEWATER, "SECRET WAR IN LAOS: AN INVENTED SAGA OF THE CIA AND PARU DURING THE LAO CIVIL WAR"

SATURDAY, 13 OCTOBER

9-10,30 AM  PANEL 5: QUEERING GENDER: MEDIA, SOCIETY AND HISTORY
CHAIR: JINDA MOORE
* PICHAYA KOSITSAWAT, CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY, "DOCILE AGENTS: THE ETHICAL FORMATION OF THAI LESBIANS IN THE CONTEXT OF HETEROSEXUAL NORMATIVITY"
* MONTITA SOWAPARK, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, "GENDER AND QUEerness IN THAI NATIONALIST DISCOURSE: A CASE STUDY OF THAI MEDIA ARTIFACTS"
* NATALIE TANTISIRIRAT, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, "DEPICTION OF THAI MOTHERHOOD IN LONG-FORM COMMERCIALS"
* IAN BAIRD, UW-MADISON, "THE HMONG, THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THAILAND, AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF GENDER RELATIONS"

10,30-10,55 AM  BREAK
10,45-11,55 AM PANEL 6: SPACE AND POLITICS IN NORTHERN THAILAND
CHAIR: KANJANA THEPBORIRUK
* PIYAWIT MOONKHAM, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, "SACRED SPACE AS COMMUNITY CENTER: THE SOCIAL LOGIC OF SPATIAL PATTERNS IN EARLY NORTHERN THAI TEMPLES"
* TAYLOR EASUM, UW-STEVEN’S POINT, "GLOBAL TOURISM, NATIONAL POLITICS, AND LOCAL IDENTITY: CHIANG MAI AS A WORLD HERITAGE SITE"
* JOEL SELWAY, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, "THE POLITICS OF LANNA NATIONALISM"

12,00-1,15 PM LUNCH (SEE MAP PROVIDED AT COTS FOR CLOSE-BY OPTIONS.)

1,15-2,30 PM ROUNDTABLE: MILITARY DICTATORSHIP, PROMISED ELECTIONS AND THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY

2,40-3,30 PM PANEL 7: THE CONSTRUCTION AND REPRODUCTION OF NATIONALISM
CHAIR: SHANE STRATE
* PENCHAN PHOBORISUT, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY-FULLERTON, "THE THAI CAVE DRAMA: PROLIFERATION OF THE THAI STATE’S NATIONALISM"
* KANJANA THEPBORIRUK, NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, "THAINESS IS EVERYTHING: PHIBUNSONGKHRAM, PROPAGANDA, AND THE APPROPRIATION OF FOREIGN IDEAS FOR NATION-BUILDING"

3,30-3,45 PM BREAK

3,45-4,55 PM PANEL 8: RELIGIOUS DEVOTION, REPRESSION AND REIMAGINATION
CHAIR: NEERANDOCH MALANGPOO
* MICHAEL CHLADEK, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, “ถ้าในนรก (BEING IN HELL): COUNTERNARRATIVES OF NOVICEHOOD IN NORTHERN THAILAND"
* ERICK WHITE, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, "DEVOTIONAL INTIMACY, BUDDHIST PIETY AND THE REIMAGINING OF DEITIES AND POSSESSION IN MODERN THAI BUDDHISM"
* PRAKIRATI SATASUT, UW-MADISON, "MONASTIC PURGE IN THE AGE OF MILITARY RULE"

4,55-5,15 PM CLOSING

5,15-6 PM COTS BUSINESS MEETING (MEMBER INSTITUTIONS ONLY.)

SUNDAY, 14 OCTOBER

9,30 AM - 1 PM BRUNCH (OPTIONAL) AT TYRELL HABERKORN’S HOUSE. ADDRESS TO BE PROVIDED DURING COTS.