

BEYOND BOUNDARIES

TRANS-REGIONAL MOVEMENTS OF TEXTS, IDEAS, AND PEOPLE

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FRIDAY

FEB 21

10:00 Framing remark

10:30 - 12:00 Panel “Literal-Cultural Transformations and Religious Communities”

- Marissa Smit
(PhD in History, Harvard)

Adapted Exemplars: the Legend of the Seven Sleepers in Old Anatolian Turkish Pietistic Literature
- Jannis Jizhou Chen
(PhD in EALC, Harvard)

Animal Numinosity: Human-Animal Relations in Selected Stories from Sinophone Literature
- Zhouyang Ma
(PhD in IAAS, Harvard)

The Gsang phu ne’u thog Scholasticism of Tibetan Buddhism in the Tangut Xia.
- PANEL CHAIR: Prof. Karen L Thornber (Comparative Literature, Harvard)

13:30- 14:45 Keynote Speech by Prof. Engseng Ho (Duke University)

14:45 - 16:15 Panel “Spatiality, Translocalities, and Identity Formation”

- Yuan-Heng Mao
(PhD in EALC, Harvard)

Disregarding the Imperial: Ideas of the Local in a Late Ming Prefecture
- Fangsheng Zhu
(PhD in Sociology, Harvard)

Delocalized School Choices in Metropolitan Areas
- James Evans
(RSEA, Harvard)

Maoism and Black Power in India’s Naxalite Movement, 1967-1972
- PANEL CHAIR: Prof. Eram Alam (History of Science, Harvard)

SATURDAY

FEB 22

10:30 - 12:00 Panel “Commerce, Economic Ties, and Trans-local Exchange”

- Yanxiao He
(PhD in Anc Hist, UChicago)

Game of Elephants’ Hunting: Empire and Animal in the Hellenistic East and Beyond
- Bohao Wu
(PhD in History, Harvard)

Coming to Terms with Decolonization, Dalian during Chinese Civil War, 1945-1949
- PANEL CHAIR: Prof. Benjamin Siegel (History, Boston University)

13:30- 14:45 Panel “Toward a Theory of Trans-regionality: Transformation of Paradigms in a Globalizing Context”

- Yu-Cheng Shih
(PhD in History, Brown U)

The Cold War Maritime Relocation: Three Cases of Chinese Deportation during the Korean War
- Mohit Mandal
(PhD in Anth., Harvard)

Indigeneity & Anthropology in the 21st Century: the Case of North Sentinel Island
- Aniket De
(PhD in History, Harvard)

The Boundary of Laughter: The Cultural Space of Humor across the India-Bangladesh Border
- PANEL CHAIR: Prof. Emma Rothschild (History, Harvard)