



Asian Studies Development Program Tenth Annual National Conference

**April 15-17, 2004
Kansas City, Missouri**

Schedule

The National Conference:

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The annual meeting of ASDP alumni and other interested faculty will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, hosted by Johnson County Community College and organized by faculty at ASDP regional centers. The national meeting is an opportunity for ASDP-involved faculty and others to present research and models for developing Asian studies courses and programs. The two-day program includes keynote presentations by outstanding scholar-teachers.

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ASDP is a joint program of the University of Hawai'i and the East-West Center. It was initiated in 1990 to increase American understanding of the Asia-Pacific region through college and university faculty development. The ASDP mission is to infuse Asian content and perspectives into the core curriculum at American



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Thursday, April 15

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1:00 - 4:00 - Meeting of Regional Center representatives (ARC)

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2:00 - 5:00 - Early Conference Check-in at Embassy Suites

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6:00 - Depart from the Embassy Suites Hotel for a pre-conference reception and a performance of *Windswept Blossoms* at Johnson County Community College. Transportation will be provided. If you are providing your own transportation, plan to arrive at JCCC's Carlsen Center ([directions](#)) at 6:30pm. (See [Speakers / Events](#) for more information.)

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Friday, April 16

8:00: Conference Check-in at Embassy Suites

8:45 - 10:00: Concurrent Sessions

Lisa B. Safford, Hiram College (Art History) "Water, Wood, and Women: The Persistence of Ancient Traditions in Modern India"

10:00 - 10:20: Coffee Break

10:30 - 11:45: Plenary Session I

Dr. Wendy Doniger, University of Chicago Divinity School, "The Mythology of Incarnation in Ancient India and Bollywood"

12:00 - 1:00: Lunch

Dr. Charles E. Morrison, President, East-West Center, "The U.S. Stake in Asia and the Pacific"

1:15 - 3:00: Concurrent Sessions

A. Threading Our Way Through Asian Identity: Concepts of Filial Piety and Selflessness in Film

Chair: Jessica A. Sheetz-Nguyen, Oklahoma City Community College

Jessica A. Sheetz-Nguyen, Oklahoma City Community College (History) "*The Good Earth*" (United States, 1931, 1937)

Toni Culjak, Central Washington University (English) "*Red Sorghum*" (China, 1987)

Robert Feleppa, Wichita State University (Philosophy) "*Traffic Jam*" (Japan, 1991)

Archaeology), "Women of Islam: Diversity and Commonality"
Raymond W. Olson, Independent Scholar "Human Rights in China: The Search for
Common Ground" Video Presentation

B. Embodiment & The Sacred

Chair: Lawrence E. Butler, George Mason University

Harriette Grissom, Atlanta College of Art (Humanities) "Nama-Rupa: The Paradox
of Embodiment in Indian Art"

Joe McKeon, Central Connecticut State University (Philosophy) "Tantric Buddhist
Mandala"

David Jones, Kennesaw State University (History and Philosophy) "Embodying the
Sacred: Animality, Buddha-Nature, and an Ecology of Compassion"

C. Women and Literature

Chair: Roberta E. Adams, Fitchburg State College

Bettye S. Walsh, Piedmont Virginia Community College (English) "*The Year of the
Elephant and Virgin Widows*: Teaching Culture and Women's Issues with Eastern
(Moroccan and Chinese) Novellas"

Lakshmi Gudipati, Community College of Philadelphia (Literature) "Shashi
Deshpande's *That Long Silence*: A Post-Colonial Reading"

5:00, 6:00 & 7:00: Guided tours of the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art,
including its famed Asian collection. Transportation will be provided.

Participants: Paul Westbrook (Communication & Theater), Louis F. White (Curriculum & Instruction), David Linebarger (Humanities), John Unger (English), Andrew Vassar (Humanities), Joseph Suse (English)

9:45 - 10:10: Coffee Break

10:15 - 11:45: Special Roundtable Session I

Inter-Cultural Assimilation and the Creation of China and Japan: NEH Workshop II

Chair & Facilitator: Roger Ames

Panelists: Joyce Haines, Kansas City Kansas Community College (Humanities); Rajee Mohan, Johnson County Community College (Art History); Ed Pederson, Kansas City Kansas Community College (History); Faith Watson, Community College of Philadelphia (English); David Miller, Community College of Philadelphia (Psychology)

12:00 - 1:30: Lunch/Plenary Session II

Professor Bill Tsutsui, University of Kansas (History), "Godzilla and Postwar Japan"

2:00 - 3:15: Concurrent Sessions

A. Basic Buddhism: University of St. Thomas Undergraduates

Chair: Lisa B. Safford, Hiram College

Sandra H. Lopez, Trident Technical College (Sociology/History) "Legacies of French Colonization in Vietnam"

Muhrisun Afandi, McGill University (Social Work) "A Lost Generation: Intervention Program for the Elementary School Dropouts in Jogjakarta Indonesia"

Jatinder Bir Singh, SGGGS College of Commerce, University of Delhi (Economics) "Globalization and Agriculture: Challenges for South Asia"

B. Problems Determining the Shape of Feminism in China

Chair: Joanna Crosby, Morgan State University (Philosophy)

Ke Qianting, University of the South (Chinese Language) "Feminism and Problems within the Modern Chinese Family"

James Peterman, University of the South (Philosophy) "Chinese Feminism and the Question of Confucianism"

Xiufen Lu, Wichita State University (Philosophy) "Chinese Women and Feminist Theory: How Not to Do Cross-Cultural Studies"

C. Forging New Directions in the Undergraduate Experience

Chair: Harriette Grissom, Atlanta College of Art

King-fai Tam, Trinity College (Literature) "More Than Just Role-Play: Applying the Reacting Game Method to Teaching About Asia"

David Wachtel, Lexington Community College (Education) "The Sinofication of Lexington Community College"

Chris Deegan, Independent Scholar "The Real and Imagined Worlds of Culture



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Welcome to Kansas City, Missouri! The conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel on the Country Club Plaza, just minutes from the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art's famed Asian collection.

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Participants are responsible for their own lodging. To receive the special conference pre-tax rate of \$99.00/king suite or \$109.00/double-double suite, indicate that you are attending the Asian Studies Development Program Annual Meeting when you make your reservations. **(Group code is JAS)**. Reservations can be made on-line at www.embassysuites.com or by calling 1-800-EMBASSY. Reservations must be made by **March 16, 2004**, to receive the special conference rate.

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The closest commercial airport is Kansas City International (MCI). Convenient transportation from the airport to the Embassy Suites is provided by the KCI Shuttle. Shuttle tickets cost \$15.00 for a one-way ticket to the hotel and \$25.00 for a round-trip. To purchase a ticket, either go to the KCI Shuttle ticket counter at the airport or pick up a white airport courtesy phone and dial "5000". Both the ticket counters and the white courtesy phones are conveniently located by each



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Dr. Wendy Doniger, Mircea Eliade Distinguished Service Professor of the History of Religions in the Divinity School, University of Chicago, will speak on Friday. Dr. Doniger is a specialist in Hinduism and has published numerous translations and studies on mythology, gender, politics and eroticism. Among other service, she is Past President of the Association for Asian Studies (1998) and the American Academy of Religion (1985).

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Professor Bill Tsutsui, Associate Professor of History at the University of Kansas, will discuss his forthcoming book on Godzilla and Japanese culture. Professor Tsutsui's research focuses on the business, social and environmental history of twentieth-century Japan. His current projects include studies of the environmental impact of World War II on Japan, marginalized groups in Japanese society, and Godzilla as a Japanese cultural icon.

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To register for the conference, please print, complete, and mail the registration form.*

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The conference registration fee is \$95.00 for full-time faculty (\$125.00 after March 19, 2004). This fee includes all conference activities and a copy of *East-West Connections: Review of Asian Studies*. The registration fee for adjunct faculty is \$75.00 (\$95.00 after March 19, 2004), and students may register for \$50.00.

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Mail completed registration forms and your check payable to **Johnson County Community College** to:

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The workshop is hosted by Johnson County Community College, one of 17 Regional Centers for the Asian Studies Development Program. Located in Overland Park, Kansas, JCCC is one of the nation's premiere community colleges. JCCC faculty annually teach over 34,000 students in credit and continuing education classes. In its state-of-the-art classrooms and labs, JCCC prepares students either to transfer to 4-year colleges and universities, or to enter the workforce through 50 one- and two-year degree and certification programs. Learning comes first at JCCC.

As a Regional Center for the Asian Studies Development Program, JCCC works to collect resources useful in teaching about Asia and makes these available to neighboring institutions. It hosts topical seminars and workshops and encourages area institutions to participate. Each year JCCC sends professors to ASDP Summer Institutes, Field Seminars in Asia and to NEH Regional Workshops throughout the U.S.

JCCC offers courses in Chinese and Japanese Language, Eastern Civilization, Introduction to Asian Art, Religions of the East, the History of Oriental Furniture



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Central Washington University

Registration

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