Transmitting Traditions through Ceremony

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Ritualized customs and practices around food and drink are common in the Asia, Pacific and US regions. These customs are passed down from generation to generation. These practices foster human connections that build and strengthen communities. In this WES seminar, we will learn more about a traditional practice from these regions.

Dr. Ty Kāwika Tengan is from the island of Maui and teaches, researches, and carries out community work on Kanaka ‘Ōiwi (Native Hawaiian) masculinities and cultural identities. He is the author of Native Men Remade: Gender and Nation in Hawai‘i (2008) and co-editor (with Paul Lyons) of the recently published “Pacific Currents” special issue of American Quarterly. As a cultural practitioner with the Native Hawaiian men’s group, the Hale Mua o Kūali‘i and the ‘Aha Kāne Native Hawaiian Men’s Foundation, he has participated in a number of ‘awa (kava) ceremonies that have been important markers of Hawaiian resurgence and regeneration.

Light refreshments will be served. Please bring your own water bottle, cup, plate/bowl and utensil.
The public is invited to attend.