

The EWC Education Program Presents

Wednesday Evening Seminar

Spring 2016

March 30, 2016

6:30 - 8:30 pm

East-West Center

Hawai'i Imin
International Conference Center
Keoni Auditorium
1777 East-West Road
Honolulu, HI 96848

Open to the Public

**Limited Seating
Available**

**Light refreshments
will be served.**

**In order to support
sustainability efforts,
we encourage you
to bring your own
dishes and utensils.**

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Performing Happiness:

Evolving Concepts of Happiness in the U.S., and Happiness-Centric Definitions of Progress in Bhutan and Hawai'i

How do we demonstrate and define happiness? Can we tangibly measure changes in happiness and general wellbeing over time? EWC Education Programs Specialist Carl Polley will introduce the use of Gross National Happiness as an indicator for national progress in Bhutan, as well as recent shifts in the State of Hawai'i to adapt a similar measurement, the Genuine Progress Indicator.

The Evening's Presenter



Carl Polley's research bridges the fields of cognitive science, linguistics, and culturomics, and examines how the self and emotion are conceptualized by Mandarin Chinese and English speakers. In addition to serving as Education Programs Specialist at the East-West Center, Dr. Polley teaches courses at the University of Hawai'i in advanced Chinese and general linguistics. His paper "The Semantic Structure of Gross National Happiness: A View From Conceptual Metaphor Theory" was presented at the Fourth International Conference on Gross National Happiness in Thimpu, Bhutan.