Stanford “On the Edge” with Contemporary Chinese Art

The color photo of a Chinese man wrapped in raw meat, striding purposefully into an open space...announced the arrival of a winter flurry of exciting events on contemporary Chinese art at Stanford University. The image of Zhang Huan in his 2002 performance at the Whitney Museum titled “My New York #4” graced the poster for the exhibition On the Edge: Contemporary Chinese Artists Encounter the West held at the Iris & B. Gerald Cantor Center for Visual Arts, January 26 to May 1, 2005.

The exhibition brought to campus a selection of works by important Chinese artists living in Europe, the United States, and China, whose creations met curator Britta Erickson’s three criteria: “The work must be relevant to the exhibition theme, it must have meaning, and it must have aesthetic value.”

To viewers familiar with contemporary Chinese artists, the names were familiar...Huang Yong Ping, Xu Bing, Yan Lei, Yin Xiuzhen, Zhou Tiehai...and to newcomers to the field, the juxtapositions and imagery were thought-provoking enough to take note of the unusual art. The prevailing question raised by the art, at least in this viewer’s mind, was “What value do Chinese culture and identity have in a Western-dominated international context?”

HOOVER Acquires Chiang Diaries

The Hoover Institution has been loaned the personal diaries of Chinese Nationalist leaders Chiang Kai-shek and his son, Chiang Ching-kuo. Written in flowing cao shu, grass calligraphy, Chiang Kai-shek’s scores of diaries cover personal events in his life in China from 1918 until three years before his death in 1975. Chiang Ching-kuo’s diaries cover the period from 1937 to 1979. In addition to the diaries and private

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New Postdocs and Fellows

together under one administrative roof the various area centers on campus, along with a somewhat unlikely assortment of other programs, from International Relations and International Policy Studies to the Asian Religions & Cultures Initiative and the Taube Center for Jewish Studies. How these disparate entities will interact with each other and with the division administration remains to be seen; but for the time being at least, it appears that our budget, staffing, and programs will remain more or less intact. And, if it lives up to its promises, the new division will not simply be another layer of bureaucracy but will open up opportunities for new sorts of research and teaching.

The other interesting development on the horizon is the university’s plan for an international initiative, as part of a larger funding campaign set to start in 2006. The initiative, guided by the (newly renamed) Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, is focused on global problem solving, under three broad themes: peace and security, governance, and health. It is not clear just where Tang poetry fits into this agenda; but we can hope that, as support for international studies grows, some of it will trickle down from the global to the local and from the job of problem solving to the tasks of understanding. Indeed, it appears that the initiative has already yielded two positions to help shore up our depleted faculty in Chinese studies.

We are happy to welcome our new appointment in History, Jun Ichida. Currently at Harvard, she is a specialist in the Japanese colonial period, a natural successor to Peter Duus. She will arrive here in fall 2006. We also welcome Assistant Professor Jennifer Adams to the School of Education.

Meanwhile, moving into new duties will be Steven Carter, as chair of the Department of Asian Languages; Gi-wook Shin, as director of Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center; and Michael Zimmermann, as director of the Stanford Center for Buddhist Studies.

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Imagine being a 20-year-old and discussing strategies for international conflict resolution with the former prosecutor general of Japan; or learning from a prominent South Korean activist how ordinary people in South Korea have empowered themselves through social movements; or examining the history of China’s peasant revolution with a revered French scholar who met Chairman Mao and Zhou Enlai; or negotiating a China business deal, in a course led by an American senior executive with 25 years of working experience in China.

All these are not daydreams but the realities of East Asian Studies at Stanford, made possible by the CEAS Distinguished Practitioners program, one of the overseas programs launched by a four-year grant from the Freeman Foundation Undergraduate Asian Studies Initiative.

In winter 2005, both undergraduate and graduate students had the opportunity to study with these very special visiting lecturers:

**Akio Harada**, former prosecutor general of Japan, taught a course that examined the role and function of the judicial system in the era of “globalization,” proposing that although practices differ from country to country the final goal of each system must be the same: to solve human conflicts and disputes. Students examined various means to enhance international cooperation.

**Won-Soon Park**, attorney and founder of People’s Solidarity for Participatory Democracy and The Beautiful Foundation, taught a course that surveyed the development of civil society and democratic governance in South Korea.

**Lucien Bianco**, professor emeritus of Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, taught three courses on the Chinese Communist Party and the changing power of peasants in modern China. His visiting lectureship in winter and spring was co-hosted by the Department of History.

**Frank Hawke**, former president of IMC Asia Limited, initiated a ground-breaking course called “Doing Business in China” (see page 5).

This fall, the Distinguished Practitioner program hosts **Young-Kwan Yoon**, who will teach a course on international relations and peace-building on the Korean Peninsula. Dr. Yoon is a professor of international relations at Seoul National University and was formerly Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea.

In winter quarter, **E. Anthony Zaloom** will return to campus as a distinguished practitioner, this time to carry on the “Doing Business in China” course. Tony Zaloom was resident partner of Skadden, Arps in Beijing in the late 1990s and has extensive experience with law and investment in Asia.

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**China Specialist Joins School of Education**

Stanford’s School of Education has hired **Jennifer H. Adams**, a Chinese studies scholar, as assistant professor. Adams, who received her doctorate in 2005 from Harvard’s Graduate School of Education, wrote her dissertation on “Local Advantage: Community Resources, Teacher Quality and Student Achievement in China.”

Her research interests include educational inequality, international and comparative education, decentralization, social capital, community development, child welfare and health, and Chinese education and society.

She has an article forthcoming in *China Quarterly* in 2005 with co-author Emily Hannum, “Children’s Social Welfare in Post-Reform China: Access to Health Insurance and Education, 1989-1997.” Other articles by Adams discuss the teacher gap in rural China and student mathematics achievements in rural northwest China. She and Emily Hannum have a book in progress, “Bittersweet Childhood: Growing Up and Going to School in Rural Northwest China.” Her research in China has been funded by the Spencer Foundation and by Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Adams received her A.B. cum laude from Colgate University in Asian Studies and Educational Studies, then taught elementary school students in Taipei and in Hong Kong for five years before starting her graduate program at Harvard.
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papers of the Chiangs, T. V. Soong, and other important figures in modern Chinese history, Hoover is helping to preserve three million declassified documents of the Kuomintang Party Archives. Hoover archivists were sent to Taipei to train local staff to use the institution’s machinery to microfilm and digitize documents at the party’s headquarters. Hoover’s copy of the archives could be opened to scholars by 2006. There are also plans to microfilm the papers of Madame Chiang Kaishek, a promoter of women’s education and social reform, which are held by the National Women’s League in Taipei.

Facsimiles of pages from the Chiang diaries were displayed in an exhibition spring quarter in the Hoover Pavilion on “Unlocking Chinese History: New Initiatives of the Hoover Archives.” Visitors to Hoover could read Chiang’s June 1948 lament, written in his own hand, “After the fall of Kaifeng our conditions worsened and became more serious. I now realized that the main reason our nation has collapsed, time after time throughout our history, was not because of superior power used by our external enemies, but because of disintegration and rot from within.”

Korean Studies Flourishes with New Funds, Librarian, & Courses

The Korea Foundation has pledged $2 million, an amount matched by the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation’s Hewlett Challenge, to endow a professorship in Korean Studies. Stanford will be able to carry out two faculty searches in the field in the coming years.

On September 1 Stanford Libraries hired its first Korean language librarian, Mikiyung Kang, to start building a research collection. She brings to Stanford many years of experience in building a strong collection in Korean Studies at U.C.L.A.

The new faculty positions and budding Korean language collection will greatly enhance Stanford’s Korean Studies program, which already offers a wide variety of seminars, workshops, conferences, and research projects. Recently course offerings have been expanded from sociology and language classes to also include art, history, politics, international relations, and culture.

This year, besides the regular course offerings, visiting professor David Kang will teach “International Relations of Korea” and “Politics of the Korean Peninsula.” Korean Studies postdoctoral fellow Chiho Sawada will teach “Korean History and Culture through Film.” CEAS Distinguished Practitioner Young Kwan Yoon, former foreign minister of foreign affairs and trade of the Republic of Korea, will offer “International Relations and Peace Building on the Korean Peninsula” autumn quarter.

The prominence of our new Korean Studies program was highlighted in April by a public lecture given at Stanford by 2000 Nobel Peace Prize winner Kim Dae-jung, the former president of the ROK. President Kim discussed the threat of a new arms race in Northeast Asia, calling for North Korea to abandon its nuclear weapons program and for the U.S. to provide security guarantees and lift sanctions from the North Korean economy. He also spoke about reunification of the Korean peninsula, estimating it could take at least 10 to 20 years, given the economic burden that South Korea would have to bear.

The growth in Korean Studies has been brought about by the efforts of Professor Gi-Wook Shin, Sociology, who will head the Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center for the next three years.

New Staff for CEAS

Kate McCullough

The Center for East Asian Studies is pleased to welcome Communications Coordinator Kate McCullough, who brings to the office much needed visual art and web design skills, plus experience with database management and event coordination. She holds a B.A. in history from the University of California at Berkeley.

Gifts at the East Asia Library

The East Asia Library has received several important gifts this year. Thanks to the Toshiba International Foundation of Tokyo for ten multi-volume sets on Japanese literature, and to the Stanford Institute for International Studies for Shinto taikei (Comprehensive works on Shinto), two multi-volume sets on Japanese linguistics, and back issues of Nihongogaku (Japanese Linguistics).
The Stanford Program in Beijing brought its first year to a successful close in June, with 27 Stanford undergraduates having taken advantage of the opportunity to study at Peking University (Beida) during autumn and spring quarters. In addition to Chinese language courses, they took courses from Stanford faculty-in-residence Albert Dien (autumn) and Harold Kahn (spring), and from myself. Course content ranged from the history of Beijing, to the Chinese legal system, to language and culture, to food in Chinese history.

Both groups of students were exceptionally motivated and engaged, and made the absolute most of their brief time in China, getting out and about, exploring the city, and taking weekend trips (on their own) to Qingdao, Xi’an, Shanghai, Hong Kong and elsewhere.

This autumn, we look forward to welcoming John Wang as faculty-in-residence. Professor Wang will teach a course on Chinese fiction and drama in translation. Mark Lewis will assume the faculty-in-residence role in the spring, teaching on the role of the city and female divinities in Imperial China.

Beijing is an extraordinary place, and now is an extraordinary time to go. Amazing changes are happening before our eyes as China’s economy continues to develop at a record pace, and as China joins the international community in new ways, such as preparing to host the 2008 Olympics. For more about our program, please see the Bing Overseas Program website: http://osp.stanford.edu

—Dr. Jason D. Patent, Director
Stanford Program in Beijing
I envy the younger generation of artists, critics, and historians involved with contemporary Chinese art, for they live in exciting times. It is a world both richer and more complex than that of the West. This is for three reasons. The first is the extraordinary expansion of Chinese urban culture in the last two decades—it is growing at a faster rate than that of any other country. It is both a support to artists and a temptation to corruption. Market forces and the continual looking over one’s shoulder to the West may be stimulants, but they are not healthy ones. And it is fascinating to see how artists deal with this. The second is that modern Chinese art illustrates in a dramatic form the gigantic collision between the cultures of China and the West, which Chinese artists have been wrestling with for a hundred years. And it is not reflected anywhere to the same extent in contemporary Western art. And the third lies in a quality that I think is unique to China itself: her powerful sense of history. For China’s past is now no longer a burden, as it was in the nineteenth century, but a source of inspiration.”

A symposium on shiini-e, pictorial obituaries of kabuki actors, held at Fairchild Auditorium on April 29, celebrated the definition of a new genre in Japanese art history.

The symposium, attended by scholars from all over the U.S., Japan, and Europe, was held in conjunction with a Cantor Arts Center showing of shiini-e woodblock prints collected over four decades by Stanford professors Albert and Dora Dien. Melinda Takeuchi of the art department organized the symposium, which was preceded by a research class on shiini-e.

As Al Dien explained in his remarks, he finally felt vindicated in collecting such death prints, with all their sinister aspects. He had been visiting shops in Japan and buying many kinds of woodblock prints when he saw a forlorn print of Danjuro VIII and couldn’t resist it. After years of telling people these shiini-e were the equivalent of baseball cards and watching them retreat, it was wonderful to be in a room full of people who appreciated them for what they are.

Tom Hare of Princeton discussed the relationship between the actor’s art and popular music. Shiini-e abound in musical imagery and references to popular songs of the day. Hare suggested that the Dien collection is so rich in this area that it was hard to limit his talk to just one or two aspects.

Ellis Tinios of Leeds University demonstrated how advertising and commercialism permeated even the world of death in floating world culture. He showed an example of a death announcement recycled from an image in which the actor, a female impersonator, was advertising a kind of face power.

Laurence Kominz of Portland State University spoke about prints of Danjuro VIII, including the one that called out to Professor Dien. Danjuro was the scion of an acting family dynasty. Born in 1823, the first son of a huge, prominent clan, he had good looks, good education, high expectations, and a career carefully cultivated by his father, Danjuro VII. At age ten, he took the name Danjuro VIII. He prayed at the temple that even if he died at the age of thirty, he wanted to become the biggest star in Edo. Soon restrictions were placed on kabuki actors, and his father was banned from the area for breaking the sumptuary laws. Danjuro VIII then came into his own in Edo. Never married, unattached, fastidious and temperamental, he loved luxury, brush painting, and haiku poetry. Women went crazy over him. By the summer of 1854 money and disputes had demoralized Danjuro VIII. His father had booked him in Osaka, forcing him to play there. On opening day he committed seppuku in his room. This dashing, romantic figure was celebrated by numerous shiini-e prints, including three showing his suicide, and one depicting many women pulling on Danjuro while a demon drags him to hell.

Allen Hockley of Dartmouth College discussed how shiini-e prints were used, as actors, fans, and others came together to try and make sense of a death. They are similar to actor prints, but many shiini-e make use of Buddhist images. Fans of the kabuki actors purchased shiini-e upon the actors’ deaths and used them in mourning rituals, such as burning incense before them. Some shiini-e actually depict the fans mourning before a portrait of a kabuki actor. Hockley said that the Dien collection of shiini-e has raised the stakes considerably; we must now look upon shiini-e as an independent genre.

The symposium was sponsored by the Stanford Institute for International Studies, the Art Department, and Center for East Asian Studies.

—Connie Chin and Melinda Takeuchi
CEAS MA Internship Recepients 2005

Master’s students also have the opportunity to gain in-country knowledge of East Asia through CEAS internships. This summer, six of our graduate students advanced their learning at the following host organizations:

China
Shanghai Institute of International Studies, Andrew MacDonald
Shanghai Museum, Virginia Nicholson
Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Francis Quek
Xinmin Evening News, Hui Min Ng

Japan
Morgan Stanley Tokyo, Xiao Liu

Korea
Deloitte Consulting, Joon Seok Hong

1. Anne Kim with Condoleeza Rice at the U.S. Commercial Service in Korea.
2. Michael Knuepfel (right) with a driver at the Tokyo MK taxi company.
3. Hanna Chou (second from left) traveled with her language study group to Tibet.
4. Gabriele Koch at an editorial meeting with the editors at Iwate Nippo, Japan.
5. Soomin Kim (right) having tea with her host family in Japan.
6. Katie Salisbury (left) and EAS MA Huimin Ng (second from right) with reporters at Xinmin Evening News, Shanghai.

2005 CEAS Undergraduate Internship Recipients

Below are this year’s CEAS host organizations by country, the students, and their majors

China
Beijing Center for Policy Research, Nicholas Hawkins (Economics) • Beijing Youth Daily, Angela Steele (Cultural Anthropology) • Caijing Magazine, Adam Eichner (Economics) • CCTV 9, Ming Zhu (International Relations) • Dow Jones Newswires, Ronald Chan (Public Policy) • Emei Film Studio, Albert Wang (Religious Studies) • Emerson Climate Technologies, Athena Mak (Management Science & Engineering) and Jonathan Chang (undeclared) • Javelin Investments, Samuel Lim (Electrical Engineering) • JP Morgan, Yujing Wang (International Relations) • OMD Advertising, Christine Su (undeclared) • Peking University, Benjamin Fong (undeclared) and Nina Hsu (International Relations) • That’s Beijing, Cecilia Yen (Psychology) and Wynn Tanner (undeclared) • WebEx Communications Inc., Royce Cheng (undeclared) • Xinmin Evening News, Katie-Anne Salisbury (English)

Japan
• Iwate Nippo, Gabriele Koch (East Asian Studies)
• Masuichi-Ichimura Sake Brewery, Max Neustroev (East Asian Studies) • Tokyo MK Company, Michael Knuepfel (Mechanical Engineering)

Korea
• Dow Jones News wires, Ye Jin Han (Economics)
• Samsung Electronics, Han Cheol Choi (undeclared)
• U.S. Commercial Service, Korea, Anne Kim (International Relations)

Taiwan
• Institute for International Policy Research, Jason Chen (International Relations)
This year, a record 212 undergraduate students applied to study in East Asia through overseas programs developed and sponsored by CEAS, and 82 participated in internship, language study, or seminar opportunities in greater China, Japan, and Korea. These remarkable opportunities began four years ago with funding from the Freeman Foundation Undergraduate Asian Studies Initiative.

Gaining Real Life Experience
Two dozen select students undertook internships with a variety of host organizations in East Asia, including financial and consulting firms, media organizations, manufacturing companies, government agencies, and academic or research institutions (see sidebar). Their in-country experiences brought many surprises, a real-life education which will surely serve them well in their futures.

Gabriele Koch was a columnist for Iwate Nippo, a major regional newspaper in Morioka, Japan. She witnessed a local election and, upon discovering that three of the four candidates were women, wrote a column about women in politics.

Albert Wang who interned at the Emei Film Studio in Sichuan Province, China, observed: “Chengdu is an interesting place; people really know how to enjoy life here, playing cards or mahjong and drinking tea all day.” From a materialistic standpoint, they might not be as rich as most of their American counterparts, but I believe they are indeed rich in other ways.”

In South Korea, Anne Kim worked at one of this year’s new host organizations, the U.S. Commercial Service at the U.S. Embassy in Seoul. During her stint with commerce, she had the great fortune to meet (in person!) Condoleezza Rice, Colin Powell, and former ambassador Christopher Hill. Needless to say, Anne was thrilled with her CEAS internship.

Overseas Language Immersion
Through its language study abroad fellowship program, CEAS supported 13 undergraduates in their ambitions to study Chinese, Japanese or Korean language in the respective country. Fellowship recipients have returned with vastly improved language skills and a great deal of cultural experience.


Faculty-led Seminars
CEAS provided administrative support and partial funding for three summer seminars in East Asia, offered through the Stanford Overseas Studies Program. Professor Chaofen Sun, Asian Languages, led a Beijing-Shanghai seminar titled “The Making of an Official Language.” Professor Karen Seto, Geological and Environmental Sciences, took students to Guangdong Province in southern China to learn about “Globalization and Urban Growth in China: From Process to Patterns.” Professor Peter Duus, History, conducted a seminar in Japan titled “Tokyo since 1945: Rising from the Ruins.” Each overseas seminar lasted for three weeks and had about 15 student participants. Stanford’s Overseas Studies Program offers approximately nine seminars abroad each summer, and CEAS supports faculty interested in proposing East Asia seminars. 😊

Students, faculty, alumni, host organizations, or sponsors interested in participating in CEAS Overseas Programs, please contact Denise Chu at Denisech@stanford.edu.
A n anguished cry of “What in the world is this character???” followed by the exuberant exclamation, “Ahhhh, that’s what it is!!!” were oft-repeated phrases uttered by students learning to decipher pre-modern Japanese shorthand at the 2005 Stanford Komonjo-Kuzushiji Workshop this summer.

Running for four weeks in July and August, the workshop was led by Fumiko Umezawa, professor of history at Keisen University in Tokyo, Japan. Umezawa-sensei met with the participants—librarians, professors, and graduate students—for three hours of rigorous instruction every morning. Conducting the class entirely in Japanese, Umezawa-sensei first guided participants through the vocabulary and grammar employed in old documents, or komonjo. Once students gained a level of competency in komonjo, Umezawa-sensei commenced the introduction of kuzushiji, or shorthand characters, explaining the various ways these characters were abbreviated to expedite the writing process.

Armed with a brush-pen and dictionary provided by the workshop, participants learned literacy by learning how to write these abbreviated characters. By halfway through the workshop, students were reading, with Umezawa-sensei’s help, the kuzushiji of handwritten komonjo documents, as well as examples of kuzushiji in printed books from the Stanford East Asia Library collection.

The workshop also served as a stimulating seminar on Ainu-Japanese relations during the Tokugawa period (1603-1868). All the texts centered on the Japanese interest in Ainu lands, trade, and customs, providing a fascinating history lesson alongside the practical training in reading komonjo and kuzushiji. The final day of the workshop placed Umezawa-sensei’s lessons in perspective as Professor Nam Lin Hur of the University of British Columbia, Stanford Religious Studies Professor Carl Bielefeldt, and history professor and workshop coordinator Kären Wigen shared with the participants the role komonjo and kuzushiji play in their own research.

The 2005 Komonjo-Kuzushiji Workshop is the third in a innovative series of annual summer workshops designed to offer graduate students and professionals with the training that will enable them to read pre-modern Japanese documents. Stanford University played host to the inaugural 2003 Komonjo Workshop, thanks to the efforts of Professor Kären Wigen. Under the leadership of Professor Ketelaar, the University of Chicago hosted the 2004 Kuzushiji Workshop.

Next summer, the 2006 Kuzushiji Workshop will shift to a new venue, the University of British Columbia. Co-sponsored by Stanford University and the University of British Columbia, the workshop once again will be led by Professor Fumiko Umezawa and will concentrate on materials in UBC’s George Beans Map Collection, the largest collection of Tokugawa-era maps outside of Japan.

Moreover, on the weekend of August 4, 2006, the Research Center on Travel Culture (Tabi no Bunka Kenkyujo) will convene, at the same site, a symposium on travel culture. Open to persons outside of the 2006 workshop, this scholarly gathering will be conducted in Japanese. For further information on the 2006 Kuzushiji Workshop, visit www.asia.ubc.ca/news/events.htm.

—Pauline Ota
Faculty in the Forefront

Rafiq Dossani and Henry Rowen, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, have co-edited *The Prospects for Peace in South Asia* (Stanford University Press, 2005).


Matthew Kohrman, Cultural and Social Anthropology, has published *Bodies of Difference: Experiences of Disability and Institutional Advocacy in the Making of Modern China* (University of California Press, 2005). Kohrman received a 2003-07 Career Development Award from the National Cancer Institute for his work on tobacco use and public health in China.

Hau Lee, Graduate School of Business, is currently conducting research on cross-border efficiency using radio-frequency technologies between China and Hong Kong. He is also co-editing a book on supply chain management in emerging economies, with a focus on Asia.

Mark Lewis, History and Asian Languages, has two books soon to be published: *The Construction of Space in Early China* and *The Flood Myths of Early China*, both from State University of New York Press.

Yoshiko Matsumoto, Asian Languages, is recipient of a 2005 – 2006 Stanford Humanities Center Internal Fellowship. She will be working on her book project “Understanding and Misunderstanding Discourse of Elderly Japanese Women.”


Jean Oi, Political Science, received a 2004-05 Dean’s Award for Distinguished Teaching from the School of Humanities and Sciences for excellence in graduate education.

Leonard Ortolano, Engineering, received the 2005 Eugene L. Grant Prize for Excellence in Teaching.

Fabrizio Pregadio, Religious Studies, has published *Great Clarity: Daoism and Alchemy in Early Medieval China* (Stanford University Press, 2005). He is editor of *The Encyclopedia of Taoism* to be published in 2006 by Routledge, London. Pregadio received a Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Fellowship to work this fall on a cooperative project on the *Daozang jiyao* (Essentials of the Daoist Canon).

James Reichert, Asian Languages, has published *In the Company of Men: Male-Male Sexuality in Meiji Literature* (Stanford University Press, 2005).


Peter Sells, Linguistics, received a 2004-05 Dean’s Award for Distinguished Teaching from the School of Humanities and Sciences for excellence in graduate education.


Karen Wigen, History, has a book forthcoming from the University of Hawai’i Press: *Seascapes, Littoral Cultures, and Trans-Oceanic Exchange*, co-edited with Jerry Bentley and Renate Bridenthal.
Special Fall Events

Several exciting Asia-related events will draw the public to Stanford campus this fall, including a rare visit by the Dalai Lama. In addition to the many regular lecture series, take special note of:

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Alumni Share Their News

Nathaniel Aden, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, is researching Chinese energy problems for Lawrence Livermore Laboratory.

Paul Atkins, Ph.D. 1999, Japanese, teaches at the University of Washington. Paul has translated Shiğehira, a play based on Taira no Shiğehira (1156-85), who was widely reviled for destroying the Kofukuji and Todaiji temples during the Genpei War. His translation is the first in English and will be published in a forthcoming conference volume.


Kerry Bowler Yun, M.A. 2004, East Asian Studies, got married this spring (see photo) to John Yun, graduate of Hastings College of Law, 2004. Kerry is in law school at Georgetown University Law Center, and works full time at Coudert Brothers in Washington, D.C. in the International Trade and Compliance group.

Rachel Brunette-Chen, M.A. 2001, East Asian Studies, is working in Washington, D.C. in the State Department’s Bureau of Intelligence and Research as a Southeast Asia analyst. She just left Taiwan, where she had been assigned to the American Institute in Taiwan.

Katherine Chong, M.A. 2003, East Asian Studies, is a publisher’s representative for Addison Wesley/Benjamin Cummings, a division of Pearson Education, where she specializes in higher education textbooks. She and husband Frank are proud parents of Anna Michelle, born this past Easter.

Rick Chu, M.A. 1994, East Asian Studies, is vice president of the Chinese Television System (CTS). He started his career as a photojournalist with the China Times in 1977, and has worked in both print and broadcast news. He was editor-in-chief of Taipei Times before taking his current position.


Ive Covaci, M.A. 2000, East Asian Studies, is working on a Ph.D. in Japanese art history at Yale University.

Stephanie Chan, M.A. 2002, East Asian Studies, is pursuing a doctorate in sociology at U.C. San Diego.

Martin Dimitrov, Ph.D. 2004, Political Science, received a Fairbank Center postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard this year. He is assistant professor at Dartmouth.

Britta Erickson, Ph.D. 1997, Art History, and M.A. 1987, East Asian Studies, was curator of the On the Edge: Contemporary Chinese Artists Encounter the West exhibit at Cantor Arts Center, organizer of the Displacements: Transcultural Encounters in Contemporary Chinese Art conference.

Jonathan Fritz, M.A. 1992, East Asian Studies, is trade policy officer in the American Consulate in Hong Kong.

David Grossman, Ph.D. in Education, is Dean of School of Foundations in Education at The Hong Kong Institute of Education.


Andrea Hsu, M.A. 2000, East Asian Studies, is a producer for the NPR program “All Things Considered.”

Col. David Hunter-Chester, M.A. 1990, East Asian Studies, is the director for Host Nation Affairs in the U.S. Army in Japan. In his previous position at the Japan Desk for the Office of the Secretary of Defense, he had a hand in coordinating Japan’s dispatch of forces to Iraq and was the project officer for the still-ongoing negotiations regarding U.S. force posture in Japan. David spent six months in Iraq as part of his duties.

Adrienne Hurley, post-doc at Stanford for the past two years, is now assistant professor at the University of Iowa.


Kenji Kushida, M.A. 2003, East Asian Studies, is in the Ph.D. program in political science at U.C. Berkeley. He has been part of a telecom policy study group sponsored by the Stanford Japan Center and Ministry of Telecom in Japan, and is writing a book in Japanese.

Jack Kline, Ph.D., Philosophy, and De-nin Lee, Ph.D. 2002, Art, have a son, Sebastien Lee Xiabin Kline, born November 30, 2004 in Brunswick, Maine.

Pauline Lee, Ph.D. 2002, Religious Studies, teaches at Washington University in St. Louis in the Department of Asian and Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, and the

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Program in Religious Studies. She continues her research on women and Confucian thought.

Karen Loh, B.A. 2005, East Asian Studies and Psychology, has started work for Singapore Airlines in marketing and communications. She reports that she runs by the sea and practices aikido regularly.

Dan Mackle, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, is with the U.S. Army stationed in South Korea.

Rusty Mahakian, M.A. 2003, East Asian Studies, works in the Bay Area for a Taiwan company, Pyromagic.


Omar Mencin, M.A. 2004, East Asian Studies, is director of marketing and consulting services at International Business Incubator in the Bay Area.

Elizabeth Anne Morrison, Ph.D. 2005, Religious Studies, is teaching at Middlebury College.


Rakhi Patel, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, is studying in Seoul on a Rotary scholarship. This summer she wrote a business case study on a General Motors project in China for Stanford’s Graduate School of Business, which will be published by Harvard Business School.

Ross Perlin, B.A. 2005, East Asian Studies and Classics, was awarded the Marshall Scholarship and will study at University of Cambridge and the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. His project compares abstract thought in ancient Greek and Chinese philosophies.

John Pettus, B.A. 2000, East Asian Studies, is intelligence officer for the 445th Civil Affairs Battalion, in Tikrit, Iraq.


Wendy Schultz, M.A. 2002, East Asian Studies, moved to South Florida, where she is in marketing.

Worawut Smuthkalin, Ph.D. candidate in political science, will graduate this year and return to work in the Foreign Ministry of Thailand, where he will monitor East Asia relations.

Philip Sohmen, M.A. 2001, East Asian Studies, is general manager responsible for marketing and business development in China for EF Education’s summer language travel programs. Based in Hong Kong, he spends about 60 percent of his time traveling in China.

Robert Tierney, Ph.D. 2005, Japanese, is assistant professor of Japanese and world literature at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.


Brigid Vance, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, will begin a Ph.D. program in Chinese history this fall at Princeton University.


Juan Wang, Ph.D. 2005, History, is teaching at the University of Idaho in Boise.

Paul Allen Webb, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, will have his paper, “Retreat from Asia: Carter’s Troop Withdrawal from Korea” published on Stanford’s Korean Studies Program website.

April Wong, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, is a producer with Voice of America in Washington, D.C.

Grace Wong, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, works for CNN/Money. Last summer she completed a CEAS internship with Dow Jones Newswires in Beijing.

Jiejun Yan, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, has joined the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

James Yao, M.A. 2000, East Asian Studies, is a bilingual investigator for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Honolulu. His office has jurisdiction over Saipan and handles many discrimination claims filed by mainland Chinese garment factory workers. James received his law degree from University of Hawaii.

Irene Yeh, M.A. 2005, East Asian Studies, won the Robert Bayard Textor Award for Outstanding Creativity in Anthropological Sciences for her project “Stereotyping Aggression and Violence: the Han and Hui in Southwest China.”
Congratulations 2005 East Asian Studies Graduates!

The Center for East Asian Studies celebrated 26 graduates this year:

Receiving the B.A. in East Asian Studies were: Melanie Chuen, Erica Huerta, Mi Young Lee, Karen Loh, Ross Perlin, Adam Phail-Liff, and Whalen Rozelle.

Receiving the M.A. in East Asian Studies were: Nathaniel Aden, Brigitta Herzfeld, Suzanne Ii, Masafumi Iida, Ren Ito, Linda Kim, Elizabeth Licata, Andrew MacDonald, Daniel Mackle, Cheol Park, Rakhi Patel, Sally Peck, Hiroko Umegaki, Brigid Vance, Paul Webb, Samuel West, April Wong, Jiejun Yan, and Irene Yeh.

Five East Asian Studies undergraduates were elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year: Karen Loh, Nevenka Mattenet, Adam Phail-Liff, Whalen Rozelle, and Alexander Tuerpe.
CEAS Visits Internship Hosts in Japan

Just before Stanford students began arriving for their CEAS internships in East Asia this summer, our host organizations in Japan received a courtesy visit from Overseas Program Manager Denise Chu. The outreach trip served to strengthen friendships and gave both sides an opportunity to exchange ideas on how to improve the internship program.

In Tokyo, Denise visited Morgan Stanley, the American Chamber of Commerce, Morrison & Foerster LLP, Tokyo MK Company, and the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). She also traveled to Iwate Prefecture to pay respects to the editors of *Iwate Nippo*, the major regional newspaper that has received Stanford interns for four years, and to Nagano Prefecture to visit Masuichi-Ichimura Sake Brewery, a relatively new host organization. While Denise expressed appreciation to these companies for their support of Stanford students, the hosts in turn were enthusiastic about the CEAS internship program and appreciative of our students’ contributions to their organizations.

Mr. Yoichiro Nakagawa, president of the Japan Stanford Association, was happy to learn about CEAS’s internship program and invited this year’s interns to participate in the Club’s summer activities, including a general meeting and a BBQ event, both great opportunities to meet with the many alumni in Tokyo.

During her stay in Tokyo, Denise also visited the School of International Liberal Studies of Waseda University, which has entered into a cooperative agreement with CEAS for encouraging student and faculty visits. Waseda University offered housing this summer for Stanford students in an overseas seminar led by Professor Peter Duus.