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Education

Ph.D. University of Washington, 1997. Anthropology.
M.A. University of Washington, 1991. Anthropology.
M.A. University of Minnesota, 1985. English as a Second Language.
B.A., w/ high distinction, University of Michigan, 1974. (Major: English; minor: Spanish)

Research Interest

Cambodia; Southeast Asia; social change; religious movements; media and the negotiation of social consensus; post-socialist societies; linguistic markers of hierarchy; political economy of language; the anthropology of the U.N.; refugees; transnational communities; Theravada Buddhism.

Grants

Center for Khmer Studies, with support from the Council of American Overseas Research Center. Senior scholar short-term grant to conduct research on the topic, "Water and Land in Transition: A Comparison of Two Cambodian Communes," March to April 20, 2010.

Center for Khmer Studies, with support from the Council of American Overseas Research Centers. Grant to conduct research on the topic, "Memory and Ideology in the Reconstruction of Cambodian Religion," February to August, 2006.

Center for Khmer Studies, with support from the Luce Foundation. Grant to conduct research on the topic, "Cambodian Religious Building Projects," June to September, 2003.

Tokyo Foundation, SYLFF Administrator and Faculty Exchange Program small grant to explore exchange between Colegio de México and University of Indonesia, February, 2002.

Fellowship, Sistema Nacional de Investigadores, Mexico. General support for research, 1999 to 2001, 2002-4, 2005-7, 2008-2010, 2011-2013.

Doctoral Research Fellowship, Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies. "Cambodian Concepts of Hierarchy and Equality as Reflected in the Use of Language." September, 1993 to June, 1994.

Indochina Studies Program (joint committee of the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies) grant. "Language Reform and Language Change in Democratic Kampuchea, 1975-78." October, 1986 to October, 1987.

Professional Experience

Teaching (Anthropology and Southeast Asian Studies):

Colegio de Mexico, Centro de Estudios de Asia y Africa. Professor/Researcher, Southeast Asian studies, Fall, 1997 to present. "Early History of Southeast Asia," "Island Southeast Asia Since 1850," "Mainland Southeast Asia since 1850," "Modern History of the Philippines," "Modern History of Vietnam," "Theravada Buddhism," "Ethnicity, State, and Political Violence," "The Construction of the Other in Southeast Asia."

University of Washington. Instructor, "Anthropological Aspects of Communication," Summer 1997; "World Civilizations: Cambodia," Winter 1996

University of Washington. Teaching Assistant, "Introduction to Cultural Anthropology," Spring 1995 and Spring 1996; "Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology," Fall 1995.

College of Archaeology, Fine Arts University, Phnom Penh. Mini-course on linguistic anthropology, Nov. 1993 to March, 1994.

Teaching (Language):

Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute, University of Wisconsin. Coordinator of Cambodian language instruction, June to August, 1995.

Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute, Cornell University. Coordinator of Cambodian language instruction, June to August, 1991.

Summer English language program, Phnom Penh, sponsored by the U.S.-Indochina Reconciliation Project and the State University of New York -Buffalo, June to Aug., 1990.

University of Minnesota. Teacher of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes at various levels for a total of 11 quarters between 1982 and 1989. Taught both for the English Program for International Students and for Univ. of Minnesota extension classes.

International Catholic Migration Commission at the Philippine Refugee Processing Center (Bataan, the Philippines). Teacher Supervisor providing training, evaluation, and basic administrative functions for a team of Filipino ESL teachers, Sept. 1985 to Sept., 1986.

Targeted Assistance Health Occupations Project at Minneapolis Technical Institute. ESL teacher for a group of refugees in a special Licensed Practical Nurse training program developed by the University of Minnesota and the American Refugee Committee. March, 1984 to February, 1985.

International Rescue Committee. Taught and coordinated English classes at Medical Training Center in Khao I Dang, a refugee camp for Cambodian refugees in Thailand. Students were refugee medical workers in the camp. July, 1982 to February, 1983.

Other:

United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia. Information officer, working in liaison with the

Cambodian language media, June, 1992 to July, 1993.

Cornell University Libraries Documentation Project in Phnom Penh. Coordinator of museum microfilming project, Tuol Sleng Museum of Genocidal Crime, Feb. to June, 1992.

International Catholic Migration Commission. Site editor, Passages: A Journal of Refugee Education, Nov., 1985 to Sept., 1986.

Southeast Asian Refugee Studies Project, Univ. of Minnesota. Research assistant, compiling bibliography of materials on Cambodia and Cambodian refugees and editing quarterly newsletter, Spring 1984 through Spring 1985

Consultancies:

Capacity Building Through Participatory Evaluation of Human Rights NGOs Project, International Experts for Community Research, Phnom Penh, July 16-August 16, 2000.

Publications

(Single volume works)

Budismo y sociedad en sureste de Asia (2020 en prensa) México, CDMX: El Colegio de México.

La antropología de las fronteras de Tailandia como espacios de flujo (2016) John A. Marston, ed. México, CDMX: El Colegio de México.

Ethnicity, Borders, and the Grassroots Interface with the State: Studies on Southeast Asia in Honor of Charles F. Keyes (2014) John Marston, ed. Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books.

Anthropology and Community in Cambodia: Reflections on the Work of May Ebihara (2011) John Marston, ed. Caulfield: Monash University Press.

Antropología y comunidad en Camboya y Tailandia: Reflexiones sobre la obra de May Ebihara (2011) John Marston, ed. Mexico City: El Colegio de México.

El Budismo en Camboya: Historia y Etnografía (2006) John Marston and Elizabeth Guthrie, eds. Mexico City: El Colegio de México

History, Buddhism, and New Religious Movements in Cambodia (2004) John Marston and Elizabeth Guthrie, eds. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press. (Southeast Asia edition published by Silkworm Books, 2006)

Impact of Human Rights Advocacy. Capacity Building through Participatory Evaluation of Human Rights NGOs in Cambodia, Report No. 37. (2000) Phnom Penh: Experts for Community Research. 29 pp.

Cambodia 1991-94: Hierarchy, Neutrality and Etiquettes of Discourse. (1997) Doctoral Dissertation, University of Washington.

Annotated Bibliography on Cambodia and Cambodian Refugees (1987). Southeast Asian Refugee Studies Project, Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, University of Minnesota. 121 pp.

(articles in edited volumes)

- "Cambodian Pilgrimage Groups in India and Sri Lanka." (2020) In Buddhist Tourism in Asia, Courtney Bruntz y Brooke Schedneck, eds.. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.
- "Camboya 2018: Despareciendo las Democracias." (2019) Anuario Asia Pacífico No. 18, Marisela Connelly, coord.. México, CDMX: El Colegio de México, pp. 103-120.
- Relics from Sri Lanka and the Post-Independence Buddha Jayanti Celebrations in Cambodia." (2016) In Religious Festivals in Conetemporary Southeast Asia, Patrick Alcedo, Sally Ann Ness, and Hendrick M.J. Maier, eds. Manila: Ateneo de Manila University Press., pp. 71-93.
- "Mother and Son and Meditation. Lok Bo." (2016) In Figures of Buddhist Modernity in Asia, Jeffrey Samuels, Justin Thomas McDaniel, and Mark Michael Rowe, eds. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, pp. 135-7.
- "Introducción." (2016) En La antropología de las fronteras de Tailandia como espacios de flujo, John A. Marston, ed. CDMX: El Colegio de México, pp. 9-31.
- "Inundaciones en Camboya." (2016) In Seguridad humana, medio ambiente y protestas populares en Asia y África del Norte, Marisela Connelly, coordinador. México, CDMX: El Colegio de México, pp. 123-44.
- "Religion and Ethnic Minorities in Cambodia: An Overview." (2015) In Ethnic Conflict in Buddhist Societies in South and Southeast Asia, K.M. de Silva, ed. Kandy: International Centre for Ethnic Studies, pp. 57-78.
- "A 'People's' Irrigation Reservoir on the Tonle Sap Floodplain." (2015) In Conservation and Development in Cambodia: Exploring Frontiers of Change in Nature, State and Society, Sarah Milne and Sango Mahanty, eds. Abington, Oxon: Routledge, pp. 238-257.
- "Cambodia." (2015) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, p. 401.
- "Cambodia." (2014) In Worldmark Encyclopedia of Religious Practics, 2nd ed. Thomas Riggs, ed. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale, pp. 261-268.
- "Cambodia." (2014) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 400-1.
- "Cambodian Buddhism." (2014) In Oxford Bibliographies in Buddhism, Richard Payne, ed. New York: Oxford University Press. Jan. 30, 2014.
- "Reestablishing the Cambodian Monkhood." (2014) In Ethnicity, Borders, and the Grassroots Interface with the State: Studies on Southeast Asia in Honor of Charles F. Keyes, John Marston, ed. Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, pp. 65-99.
- "Introduction." (2014) In Ethnicity, Borders, and the Grassroots Interface with the State: Studies on Southeast Asia in Honor of Charles F. Keyes, John Marston, ed. Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, pp. 1-19.
- "Charles F. Keyes: His Life and Work." (2014) In Ethnicity, Borders, and the Grassroots Interface with the State: Studies on Southeast Asia in Honor of Charles F. Keyes, John Marston, ed. Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, pp. 245-50.
- "Questions for Charles Keyes." (2014) By John Marston and Charles F. Keyes. In Ethnicity, Borders, and the Grassroots Interface with the State: Studies on Southeast Asia in Honor of Charles F. Keyes (2014) John Marston, ed. Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, pp. 251-61.
- "Post-Pol Pot Cambodia and the Building of a New Stupa." (2013) In Buddhism, Modernity, and the State in Asia: Forms of Engagement, John Whalen-Bridge and Pattana Kitiarsa, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 95-113.

- “Cambodia.” (2013) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 400-1.
- “Cambodia.” (2012) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 376-7.
- “Cambodia.” (2011) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 375-6.
- “Introduction.” (2011) In Anthropology and Community in Cambodia: Reflections on the Work of May Ebihara, John Marston, ed. Caulfield: Monash University Press, pp. 5-20.
- “Introducción” (2011) In Antropología y comunidad en Camboya y Tailandia: Reflexiones sobre la obre de May Ebihara, John Marston, coord.. México, DF: El Colegio de México, pp. 19-45.
- “Interview with May Ebihara.” (2011) In Anthropology and Community in Cambodia: Reflections on the Work of May Ebihara, John Marston, ed. Caulfield: Monash University Press, pp. 191-213.
- “Una entrevista con May Ebihara.” (2011) In Antropología y comunidad en Camboya y Tailandia: Reflexiones sobre la obre de May Ebihara, John Marston, coord.. México, DF: El Colegio de México, pp. 359-392.
- “El Budismo y el Estado en el Sureste de Asia.” (2011) PEAP Working Papers Series No. 9. Programa de Estudios de Asia-Pacífico, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México. 48 pp.
- “Cambodia.” (2010) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 377-8.
- “Preface.” (2009) Sāsna niñ kār pratibatti nau knoñ taman’ qāsī qāgney. Phnom Penh: Center for Khmer Studies, pp. 5-8.
- “Cambodia.” (2009) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 378-9.
- “Cambodian Religion since 1989.” (2009) In Beyond Democracy in Cambodia: Political Reconstruction in a Post-Conflict Society. Joakim Ojendal and Mona Lilja, eds. Copenhagen: Nordic Institute for Asian Studies.
- “Wat Preah Thammalanka and the Legend of Lok Ta Nen.” (2008) In People of Virtue: Reconfiguring Religion, Power and Moral Order in Cambodia Today, Alexandra Kent and David Chandler, eds. Copenhagen: Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, pp. 85-108.
- “Constructing Narratives of Order: Religious Building and Moral Chaos.” (2008) In At the Edge of the Forest: Essays on Cambodia, History, and Narrative in Honor of David Chandler. Anne Ruth Hansen and Judy Ledgerwood, eds. Ithaca, NY: Southeast Asia Program, 163-193.
- “Cambodia.” (2008) in Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 378-379.
- “The Cambodian Hospital for Monks.” (2007) In Buddhism, Power, and Political Order, Ian Harris, ed. London, New York: Routledge, pp. 104-120.
- “Cambodia.” (2007) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, p. 372-3.
- “Cambodia” (2006) In Worldmark Encyclopedia of Religious Practices. Thomas Riggs, ed. Detroit: Thompson/Gale, Vol. 2, pp. 168-173.
- “King Norodom Sihamoni.” (2006) In Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, p. 93.
- “Cambodia.” (2006) in Britannica Book of the Year. Chicago, IL: Encyclopedia Britannica, pp. 374-5.
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“Clay into Stone: A Modern-Day Tāpas.” (2004) In History, Buddhism, and New Religious Movements in Cambodia, John Marston and Elizabeth Guthrie, eds. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press. (Spanish version, “Arcilla en Piedra: Un Tapas de la Vida Moderna” in El Budismo en Camboya: Historia y Etnografía, John Marston and Elizabeth Guthrie, eds. Mexico: El Colegio de México, 2006.)

“Neutrality and the Negotiation of an Information Order in Cambodia.” (2002) In Forging Peace: Intervention, Human Rights and the Management of Media Space, Monroe E. Price and Mark Thompson, eds. Edinburgh: University of Edinburgh Press, pp. 177-200.

“Democratic Kampuchea and the Idea of Modernity.” (2002) In Cambodian Emerges from the Past: Eight Essays, J. Ledgerwood, ed. DeKalb, IL: Northern Illinois University, Center for Southeast Asian Studies publications, pp. 38-59.

“Cambodian Media and the 1998 Elections.” (2002) In People and the 1998 Elections in Cambodia: Their Voices, Roles, and Impact on Democracy, J. Vijghens, comp. Phnom Penh: Experts for Community Research, pp. 75-91.

“Cambodia.” (2001) In Countries and Their Cultures, M. Ember and C. R. Ember, eds. New York: Macmillan Reference, pp. 373-383.

“Cambodian News Media.” (2000) In Foreign Devils and Other Journalists: The News Media in Southeast Asia, D. Kingsbury, E. Loo, and P. Payne, eds. Clayton, Victoria: Monash Asia Institute, pp. 171-210.

“Cambodian News Media in the UNTAC Period.” In Propaganda, Politics and Violence in Cambodia: Democratic Transition under UN Peacekeeping (1996), Heder, S. and J. Ledgerwood, eds. Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, pp. 208-242.

“Metaphors of the Khmer Rouge.” In Cambodian Culture Since 1975: Homeland and Exile (1994), M.M. Ebihara, C.A. Mortland, and J. Ledgerwood, eds. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, pp. 105-118.

(articles in refereed journals)

“Disputas de tierras y aguas en la planicie de inundación del lago Tonlé Sap de Camboya” (2016) (con Chhuon Hoeur) Estudios de Asia y África 51(1): pp. 45-76.

“Buth Savong y la nueva proliferación de reliquias en Camboya.” (2015) Estudios de Asia y África 50(2): pp. 265-84.

“Camboya después de Pol Pot y la construcción de una nueva stupa.” (2013) Estudios de Asia y África 48 (3): 617-640.

“El restablecimiento del monacato camboyano.” (2013) Estudios de Asia y África 43(1): 55-97.

“Im Sokha and Cambodian Satirical Cartoons.” (2011) International Journal of Comic Art 13(1):32-58. (Revised and updated version of 1997 article.)

“El Buda Jayanti en Camboya.” (2009) Estudios de Asia y África Vol. 44(1): 9-30.

“Reconstructing ‘Ancient’ Cambodian Buddhism.” (2008) Contemporary Buddhism 9(1):99-121. (Revised English version of 2002 article from Estudios de Asia y África.)

“Camboya en 2006: la perturbación de la realeza.” (2008) Asia Pacífica 2007 No. 14, pp. 43-59.

“El hospital camboyano para monjes.” (2008) Estudios de Asia y África Vol. 43 (1): 33-60.

"Death, Memory, and Building: The Non-Cremation of a Cambodian Monk." (2006) Journal of Southeast Asian Studies Vol. 37(3):491-505.

"Camboya en 2005: acoso a la oposición." (2006) Asia Pacífico No. 13, pp. 19-31.

"Camboya en 2004: parálisis, lucha política interna y un nuevo reinado." (2005) Asia Pacífico No 12, pp. 19-37.

"Elaboración de narrativas de orden: construcción y caos moral." (2005) Estudios de Asia y África, Vol. 40 (1): 117-160.

"Camboya en 2003: nuevos tipos de turbulencia." (2004) Asia Pacífico No. 11, pp. 21-43.

"Camboya en 2002." (2003) Asia Pacífico No. 10, pp. 59-78.

"La reconstrucción de budismo 'antiguo' de Camboya." (2002) Estudios de Asia y África Vol. 37(2): 271-303.

"Khmer Rouge Songs." (2002) Crossroads: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Southeast Asian Studies Vol 16 (1): 100-27. Article was earlier published in Spanish translation: "Canciones Khmer Rojo." (1999) Estudios de Asia y Africa Vol. XXXIV:1, pp. 51-77.

"Camboya en el 2001." (2002) Asia Pacífico No. 9, pp. 24-48.

"Transnational Pressures and International Agendas in Cambodia." (2002) Southeast Asian Affairs 2002, pp. 95-108.

"Camboya." (2001) Asia Pacífico, No. 8, pp. 21-43.

"Camboya." (2000) Asia Pacífico, No. 7, pp. 138-168.

"Camboya: análisis del año." (1999) Asia Pacífico No. 6, pp. 51-82.

"Em Sokha and Cambodian Satirical Cartoons." Southeast Asian Journal of Social Science (1997) Vol. 25 (1): 59-77.

"Clinically Speaking: ESP for Refugee Nursing Students," MinneTESOL Journal, Fall, 1985 (with Adele G. Hansen). Vol. 5, pp. 29-52.

(reviews)

Review of book Modern Literature of Cambodia: Transnational Voices of Transformation (2017) Journal of Southeast Asian American Education and Advancement: Vol. 12 : Iss. 1 , Article 6. DOI: 10.7771/2153-8999.1167 Available at: <http://docs.lib.purdue.edu/jsaeea/vol12/iss1/6>

Review of the book Deathpower: Buddhism's Ritual Imagination in Cambodia (Erik W. Davis) (2017) Sojourn 32(2): 414-6.

Review of the book Traditional Theravada Meditation and Its Modern-Era Suppression (Kate Crosby) (2016) Journal of Asian Studies Vol. 75 (2): 567-9.

Review of the book Love and Dread in Cambodia: Weddings, Births, and Ritual Harm under the Khmer Rouge (Peg Levine) (2012) Journal of Southeast Asian Studies Vol. 43 (3): 547-8.

Review of the book Expressions of Cambodia: The Politics of Tradition, Identity and Change (Leakthina Chau-Pech Ollier and Tim Winter, eds.) (2009) Crossroads: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Southeast Asian Studies Vol. 19 (1): 162-165.

Review of the book Cultural Citizenship in Island Southeast Asia: Nation and Belonging in the Hinterlands (Renato Rosaldo, ed.) (2007) Estudios de Asia y África Vol. 42 (3): 757-760.

Review of the book Cambodian Buddhism (Ian Harris) (2007) Journal of the Siam Society 2007, pp. 262-4.

“Review Essay: Post-Pol Pot Cambodia.” (2005) Critical Asian Studies 37(3):501-516.

Review of the book The Country of Memory: Remaking the Past in Late Socialist Vietnam (H. Ho Tai, ed.) (2003) Estudios de Asia y África Vol. 38 (1): 271-73.

Review of the book Cambodia Interlude (by T. Riddle) (1999) Pacific Affairs, Vol. 71(4): 590-2.

Review of the video Fear and Hope in Cambodia. (1998) Education about Asia, Vol. 3 (2): 76.

Review of the book Pol Pot Plans the Future (D. Chandler, et al, eds.) (1990) Journal of Asian Studies, Vol. 49 (1): 201-2.

(translations)

The Heart's Legacy (novella by Yin Luoth) (2014) Phnom Penh: Ponleu Khmer Publishing House.

“Their Dogs” (poem by Nol Dara) (2008) Nou Hach Literary Journal Vol. 5: 69-71.

“My Dogs” (poem by Nol Dara) (2007) Nou Hach Literary Journal Vol. 4:57-9.

Deep Wistfulness (Poems), by Yin Luoth (2005) Phnom Penh: The Sowers Association.

“Sokha and Apopeal” (short story by Darina Siv) (2004) In In the Shadow of Angkor, Frank Stewart, Sharon May eds., special edition of Manoa 16 (1): 41-47.

“Only a Human Being.” (2002) In Virtual Lotus: Modern Fiction of Southeast Asia, T. Yamada, ed. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 39-41. Reprinted (2013) in ‘Just a Human Being’ and Other Tales from Contemporary Cambodia, Teri Yamada, ed. Phnom Penh: Nou Hach Literary Association, pp. 2-5.

“A Khmer Policeman’s Story: A Goddam Rich Man of the New Era,” by Yur Karavuth. Translated with Un Kheang. Phnom Penh Post, July 24, 1992. Reprinted in Virtual Lotus: Modern Fiction of Southeast Asia, T. Yamada, ed. (2002) Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 41-5. Reprinted (2013) in ‘Just a Human Being’ and Other Tales from Contemporary Cambodia, Teri Yamada, ed. Phnom Penh: Nou Hach Literary Association, pp. 22-26.

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“The Spanish in Cambodia in the 16th Century.” Khmer Moul Chit Magazine, Issue No. 1, April, 2001, p. 20.

"Homestay." Passage: A Journal of Refugee Education, Summer, 1986, pp. 64-66.

"Out of Cambodia: The Quiet Desperation of Thailand’s Refugee Camps," cover story in City Pages (weekly Minneapolis paper), Nov. 30, 1983.

Presentations

“The Nalanda Pali Institute and Globalizing Buddhism.” Seminar on The Politics and Pathways of Return: Transregional Respectives on a Buddhist Homeland. University of British Columbia, July 28-9, 2019.

“Transnationalizing Buddhism: Cambodian Temples, Student Monks, and Pilgrims in Sri Lanka and India.” Northern Illinois University, Nov. 8, 2017 and University of Wisconsin-Madison, Nov. 10, 2017

“Monjes camboyanos budistas estudiando en la India: historia y actualidad.” XVII Seminario Anual de Investigaciones sobre la Cuenca del Pacífico: Retrospectivas y perspectivas de la Cuenca del Pacífico en el escenario global, Colima, Sept. 22, 2017.

“Tsoutomu Tadakuma and Yiey Hun: The View from the Village.” The Tenth International Convention of Asian Scholars, Chiang Mai, Thailand, July 20, 2017

“Global Buddhism, Politics, and Personal Narrative in Post-Independence Cambodia and India.” Speaker at Thailand, Laos, Cambodia subgroup board meeting, Association for Asian Studies, Toronto, March 17, 2017

“Cambodian Pilgrimage Groups in India and Sri Lanka.” Seminar on Buddhist Tourism in Asia: Temple Aesthetics, the Monastic Body, and Interactions with Sacredness.” Corvallis, Oregon, Oregon State University, April 8-10, 2015.

“The Transnationalism of Merit: Diaspora Communities and Cambodian Student monks, Pilgrims and Building Projects in South Asia.” International Association of Buddhist Studies, Vienna, Austria, Aug. 18-23, 2014.

“Student Monks, Temples, Pilgrims and Donors: Cambodian Buddhism in Sri Lanka and India.” Public lecture, Center for Khmer Studies, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, July 18, 2014.

“How to Minorities in Cambodia Relate to the Buddhist Majority?” Conference on: Twenty-Five Years in Retrospect: Buddhism, Ethnic Conflicts and Religious Harmony Southeast Asia. International Centre for Ethnic Studies, Kandy, Sri Lanka, June 27, 2014.

“Measured Relief: Coping with Floods and Social Differentiation in Rural Cambodia.” History of Science Society, Boston, MA, Nov. 24, 2013.

“A ‘People’s’ Reservoir on the Tonle Sap Floodplain.” (with Chhuon Hoeur) Workshop on Conservation and Development in Cambodia, New Frontiers in Nature, Society, and Community. Crawford School of Public Policy, Australia National University, Oct. 14-6.

“Buth Savong and the New Proliferation of Relics in Cambodia.” Imagining Cambodia: Cambodia Studies Conference, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL, September 13-16, 2012. Siem Reap Conference on Special Topics in Khmer Studies: Religious Studies in Cambodia: Understanding the Old and Tracing the New, Siem Reap, Cambodia, June 9-11, 2012. XVIth Congress of the International Association of Buddhist Studies, Jinshan, New Taipei City, Taiwan, June 21, 2011.

“Relics from Sri Lanka and the Post-Independence Buddha-Jayanthi Celebrations in Cambodia.” Seminar on “Colonial Legacies and Contemporary Scholarship in Sri Lanka and Cambodia.” Jan. 11-13, 2012, Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Reap, Cambodia.

“A ‘People’s’ Reservoir on the Tonle Sap Floodplain.” Association for Asian Studies Annual Meetings, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 1, 2011. Relaciones México-Tailandia-América Latina-Asia del Sudeste, Seminario Internacional de Investigación sobre la Cuenca del Pacífico, Universidad de Colima, Sept. 22-23, 2011.

“Camboya después de Pol Pot y la construcción de una stpa nueva.” Part of the seminar, “La construcción social de la vejez, la muerte, y la deificación de la muerte.” Centro de Estudios de Asia y África, El Colegio de México, Feb. 1, 2011.

“Community Mobilization, Environment and Irrigation on the Tonle Sap Floodplain.” Royal University of Phnom Penh, June 26, 2010.

“Introducción al budismo en sudeste de Asia.” Talk given as part of the noncredit course, “Introducción al pensamiento y a la cultura visual en el budismo,” Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Facultad de Filosofía y Letras, March 4, 2010

“Post-Pol Pot Cambodia and the Building of a New Stupa.” At the conference, “Buddhism and the Crises of Nation-States in Asia.” National University of Singapore, June 19-20, 2008.

“Sihanouk’s Stupa at Oudong: Relics and the Symbols of Nationalism.” At the conference, “Storied Places: Locating Asian Religious Narratives.” Stanford University, Jan. 26, 2008.

“Re-establishing the Cambodian Monkhood.” At the conference “Religion, Ethnicity, and Modernity: Identity and Social Practice in Asia.” University of Washington, Oct. 5-6, 2007.

“El budismo en sureste de asia.” As part of a series of talks, “Tailandia: una mirada a un pueblo libre,” FES-Acatlán, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, May 24, 2007.

“Buddha-Jayanti in Cambodia.” As part of the symposium Religious Festivals in Contemporary Southeast Asia, University of California-Riverside, Feb.16-18, 2007 and, again, at the conference Local Practice and Trans-National Dynamic in Contemporary Southeast Asia Religion: Historical and Contemporary Patterns, Center for Khmer Studies, Siem Reap, Feb. 23-4, 2007.

“Regular and ‘Irregular’ Ordinations of Cambodian Buddhist Monks in the Post-Pol Pot Period in Cambodia.” As part of the seminar The Practice of History in Asian Religions, El Colegio de México, Oct. 13-14, 2006.

“Cristianismo, ONGs y el discurso del desarrollo social en Camboya.” As part of seminar Más allá de le Religiosidad.” El Colegio de México, Feb. 13-14, 2006.

“Village Brahmanism and the Intersection of Local and National Legend in a Cambodian Wat.” As part of the seminar Configuring Religion, Power, and Moral Order in Cambodia, Varberg, Sweden, Oct. 28, 2005.

“The Cambodian Hospital for Monks.” As part of the symposium Buddhism, Power, and Political Order in South and Southeast Asia, Harris-Manchester College, University of Oxford, organized by the Becket Institute, April 16, 2004.

“Hospitals for Monks: The History of an Idea in Cambodia.” Association for Asian Studies 56th Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA, March 7, 2004.

“Pronombres y Poder en Camboya.” Eleventh International Congress of La Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudios de Asia y África. Mexico City, Mexico, November 13, 2003.

“Death, Memory, and Building: The Non-Cremation of a Cambodian Monk.” Association for Asian Studies 55th Annual Meeting. New York City, New York, March 30, 2003.

“May Ebihara and Village-Level Social Organization.” Association for Asian Studies 54th Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., April 7, 2002.

“Buddhism and Human Rights NGOs in Cambodia.” American Academy of Religion Annual Meetings.

Denver, November 19, 2001.

"Constructing Narratives of Order: Religious Building and Moral Chaos." Association for Asian Studies 53rd Annual Meeting. Chicago, March 24, 2001.

"Reconstructing 'Ancient' Cambodian Buddhism." Religion, Civil Society, and NGO's in Southeast Asia: The 17th Annual CSEAS Conference. University of California, Berkeley, Feb. 12, 2000.

"Budismo Camboyano al Final del Milenio." Part of series of talks entitled "Una Vision del Sureste de Asia." Colegio de México, Nov. 29, 1999.

"A Buddhist Temple in Cambodia: Construction of Memory." VIII Congreso Nacional de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudios de Asia y África (ALADAA) -- sección México, Zacatecas, Mexico, Oct. 8, 1999.

"Democratic Kampuchea and the Idea of Modernity." Genocide and its Aftermath in Cambodia: Global and Local Dimensions of a Prolonged Conflict. Center for Global Change and Governance, Rutgers University, Newark, N.J., April 12, 1999.

"Clay into Stone: Cambodian Iconography in a Recent Religious Movement. EuroSEAS 98, Hamburg, Germany, Sept. 6, 1998.

"Cambodian Religion: Tradition and Boundaries." Panel organizer and chair. Association for Asian Studies 50th Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., March 28, 1998.

"Public and Private and Cambodian Journalism." American Anthropological Association 94th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Nov. 22, 1996. (Invited Session)

"Cambodian Satirical Cartoons and the Representation of Hierarchy." Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 12, 1996 and (revised) the conference Cambodia: Power, Myth and Memory. Centre of Southeast Asian Studies, Monash University, Dec.11-13, 1996.

"Icons of National Identity in a Cambodian Cult." Buddhism, Modernism, and Politics in Southeast Asia, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, Dec. 8, 1995.

"The Arrest of a Cambodian Journalist." Sixth Northwest Regional Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies Conference, Seattle, WA, Nov. 4, 1994.

"Media in the UNTAC Period." Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Boston, March 27, 1994.

"Cambodians in Cambodia and Cambodians Overseas: Lines of Communication." Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, New Orleans, April, 1991.

"Khmer Rouge Songs." Northwest Consortium of Southeast Asian Studies annual conference, Seattle, Oct., 1990.

"Metaphors of the Khmer Rouge." Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., March 18, 1989.

"Language Use and Language Policy in Democratic Kampuchea." Colloquium on Language Use and Language Policy in Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam, University of Hawaii at Manoa, June 27, 1988.

"Language Reform in Democratic Kampuchea." Minnesota Regional Conference on Linguistics and the Philosophy of Language, May 17, 1985, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

(with Adele G. Hansen) "Clinically Speaking: ESP for Refugee Nursing Students." Symposium on Languages

for Business and the Professions, May 9, 1985, Dearborn, Mich., and the MinneTESOL (Minnesota organization of ESL teachers) Eighth Annual Spring Workshop/Seminar, May 11, 1985, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"English in Refugee Camps," presented at MinneTESOL Sixth Annual Workshop/Seminar, April 30, 1983, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Fellowships

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowships, University of Washington, 1990-91, 1992-92; Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute, University of Michigan, summer, 1985.

Recruitment fellowship, Anthropology, University of Washington, 1989-1990.

Service

Prize committee, Association for Asian Studies A.L. Becker Southeast Asian Literature in Translation Prize, 2011 to 2013.

Association for Asian Studies, Translation Project Group, 2009-2011.

Member, Junta de Profesores (faculty governing committee), Centro de Estudios de Asia y África, 2006-2012.

Book review editor, Crossroads: An Interdisciplinary Review of Southeast Asian Studies, 2005-2008.

Board member, Thailand/Laos/Cambodia Subgroup, Association for Asian Studies, 1998-2000, 2004-2007.

Student representative to Board, Thailand/Laos/Cambodia Subgroup, Association for Asian Studies, 1996-7.

Board member, Seattle-Sihanoukville Sister City Association, Oct. 1995 to 1997.

Board member, Cambodian Studies Center, Seattle, Sept. 1989 to Feb. 1992.

Volunteer for American Refugee Committee, July, 1983 to Jan., 1985, in program linking refugee families to volunteers in the Minneapolis and St. Paul area.

Languages

Khmer (Cambodian)(at a level of fluency where I could teach in Khmer in Cambodia; certified as a Washington state social service interpreter, 1997)

Spanish (at a level where I can teach in Spanish in Mexico)

German (undergraduate training)

Thai (two years at University of Washington)

Vietnamese (six-week intensive class in Hanoi under the auspices of the U.S.-Indochina Reconciliation Project, summer, 1989)