



Welcome to the fall semester in Asian Studies! We have an exciting schedule of seminars and events in the coming weeks. Our local UB scholars and students are joined by visiting artists and distinguished guests in our Asia @ Noon Friday series and other special events. We'll post real-time updates on our new [Facebook](#) page and on our [website](#)! We wish you all a great start to the semester!

Asian Studies Campus Events

All welcome: All of our Asian Studies events are open to the UB community and the Buffalo area community. Please click the links to see more information on our website:

- **September 15.** [Asia@Noon Roundtable](#) "Lucknow: A Historic Indian City in the 21st Century" featuring Dr. Dauji Gupta (Former Mayor of Lucknow), 12p, 280 Park Hall
- **October 4.** [Asian Studies Fall Faculty Symposium](#) "Religion in Asia" in Honor of Jeannette Ludwig. 10a-2:30p, 509 O'Brian Hall
- **October 6.** [Asia@Noon Lecture](#) by David McCaskey "Lights, Camera, Action: Constructing Official History through Film in Vietnam." 12p, 280 Park Hall
- **October 20.** [Asia@Noon Lecture](#) by Fabio Lanza (University of Arizona), "Is there a Socialist Everyday? Collectivizing Beijing in the Mao Era." We are a cosponsor for this Confucius Institute Distinguished Lecture, along with the Department of History and the Baldy Center. 12p, 509 O'Brian Hall.
- More to come! Visit our website for the [full schedule](#).

**15
SEPT
2017**
280 PARK HALL
12p-1p
ALL WELCOME

ROUNDTABLE
Lucknow: A Historic
Indian City in the
Twenty-First Century

Featuring
Dr. Dauji GUPTA
Former Mayor of Lucknow

With
Dr. Walter HAKALA
UB English and Asian Studies Program
Dr. Ashima KRISHNA
UB Urban and Regional Planning
Ms. Kayleigh REED
UB Asian Studies Program Boren
SAFLI Fellow in Lucknow



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**Asian Studies Fall
Faculty Symposium** Wednesday
October 4
2017
Religion in Asia | In honor of Jeannette Ludwig

9:30 – 10:00 – Coffee, breakfast, opening remark by Eunhee Lee

MORNING PANEL (10:00 – 11:30)

- 1 – **Walter Hakala** (Department of English) Giving God new names: the Indic vocabulary of Islamic theology
- 2 – **Ashima Krishne** (Department of Urban and Regional Planning) Preservation and adaptive reuse of Hindu temples in India
- 3 – **Rebecca French** (School of Law) Buddhism and Law

LUNCH (11:30 – 12:30)

12:30 – 1:00 – **Jeannette Ludwig** The Zen of illness (emerita, Romance Languages and Literatures)

AFTERNOON PANEL (1:00 – 2:30)

- 1 – **Yan Liu** (Department of History) Spells, Demons, and Varmic: Incantatory Healing in Medieval China
- 2 – **Nicoles Benvenuto** (Department of Philosophy) Islam and Buddhism in Tibet
- 3 – **Mark Nathan** (Department of History) *Correct Doctrines that Return to the Source*: Buddhist-Christian polemics in early twentieth-century Korea

509 O'Brien Hall
Event is Public - All welcome.
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Community Events



A Taxi Driver: The #1 film in South Korea in 2017

Tuesday August 29: 9:30 pm. Based on a true story! When a down-on-his-luck taxi driver from Seoul picks up a foreign journalist, fate throws them both into a life-or-death struggle in the midst of the 1980 Gwangju Uprising. [North Park Theater](#).



Diwali Celebration hosted by Hindi Samaj of Greater Buffalo

Sunday, October 15, 2017 in the Hindi Cultural Center Auditorium, Getzville NY. Please see the flyer for details.

Funding

- UB Humanities Institute Faculty External Grant Writing Workshop.** The workshop supports faculty members' applications for external grants and fellowships. Experienced grant writers and evaluators, Cris Miller, SUNY Distinguished Professor of English, and Chitra Rajan, Associate Vice President for Research Advancement, will share their advice and respond to questions. Participants also will exchange ideas with other grant seekers, and—if they choose to pre-circulate a draft application essay—receive specific feedback from peers. Draft proposals may be at any stage, from preliminary sketches to finalized applications. Friday, Sept. 8, 2017, 1:00-3:30p, 532 Park Hall. Lunch will be served. [Learn more and register](#).
- UB IMPACT Funding.** IMPACT awards build on Realizing UB 2020, bringing together researchers in theme areas: Humanity; Justice; Innovation; Environment and/or Health. They reward new areas of creative activities and projects that foster unique collaborations. Our goal is to develop preliminary data that can support external grant applications and directly demonstrate outcomes in these themes. Awards up to \$35,000. Deadline Oct. 16, 5p. [Learn more](#).

Faculty Activity

Walter Hakala (English and Asian Studies) [received the UB Exceptional Scholars, Young Investigator Award](#), which celebrates a recent superior achievement of a scholar in their field of study.

Mark Nathan (History and Asian Studies) received the Association for Asian Studies Northeast Asia Council Distinguished Speakers Bureau Award for Fall 2017. The award supports [the visit of Dr. Louise Young](#) (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Dept. of History), a historian of modern Japan.

Janet Yang (Communication) reports that data collected through the support from the Asian Studies Program Research Grant has turned into two publications:

- Yang, Z. J. & Huang, J. (in press). Seeking for your own sake: Chinese citizens' motivations for information seeking about air pollution. *Environmental Communication*.
- Huang, J. & Yang, Z. J. (under review). Beyond "Under the Dome": Amplified risk perception increases knowledge and public engagement about air pollution in China. This paper was awarded the Exxon Mobil Top Student Paper Award at the Society for Risk Analysis annual meeting last December in San Diego, CA.



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