

# ICAS 6 Update

ICAS is a meeting place for academics from all over the world to discuss new insights in Asia Studies in a multidisciplinary context. Members of other spheres of civil society are challenged to partake in the debates. A special feature of ICAS is its focus on young leaders through panels, roundtables and signature events. ICAS has grown into the largest biennial Asia studies event outside the US covering all subjects of Asia studies. Thus ICAS is the only major, regular Asia studies event to take place in Asia. On average the number of participants is fifteen hundred.

Paul van der Velde & Josine Stremmelaar

The Selection Committee of ICAS 5 met in Kuala Lumpur in November 2006 to evaluate the individual abstracts and almost all of them have been placed in panels. This was done in line with the border and disciplinary transcending spirit of ICAS. The Committee is most pleased to report that more than 1200 submissions have been received. The wide variety of themes, disciplines and regions covered promises an intellectu-

ally challenging Convention. In addition many organized and institutional panels have been submitted and were evaluated when this Newsletter went to print. In all these panels a cross-disciplinary border transcending approach is stressed which enhances a fruitful dialogue among the participants who originate from more than 55 countries in Asia, Europe and America. They represent more than 600 institutions. A provisional list of panels and its participants is now online at [www.icas5kl.com](http://www.icas5kl.com).

The ICAS Book Prize (IBP) is a global competition which provides an international focus for publications on Asia while at the same time increasing their visibility worldwide. The book prizes are awarded for: (1) best study in the humanities; (2) best study in the social sciences. Furthermore there is a prize for the most outstanding PhD dissertation in the field of Asia Studies. So far we have received from more than 30 publishers 80 publications (46 Humanities and 34 Social Sciences)

and 10 PhD theses. Long lists will be announced at the AAS Annual Meeting 2007 in Boston. A new feature of the IBP is the Colleagues Choice Award. This award has been established following numerous requests to give the academic community the opportunity to voice their choice.

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Park, Hyun Ok 2005  
**Two Dreams in One Bed: Empire, Social Life, and the Origins of the North Korean Revolution in Manchuria**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3614-3  
Pholsena, Vathhana 2006  
**Post-war Laos: The Politics of Culture, History and Identity**  
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, ISBN 978-981-230-356-1

Pun, Ngai 2005  
**Made in China: Women Factory Workers in a Global Workplace**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-1-932643-00-8  
Rafael, Vincente L. 2005  
**The Promise of the Foreign: Nationalism and the Technics of Translation in the Spanish Philippines**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3664-8  
Raj, Kapil 2006  
**Relocating Modern Science: Circulation and the Construction of Knowledge in South Asia and Europe, 1650-1900**  
Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN 978-0-230-50708-1  
Shin, Leo K. 2006  
**The Making of the Chinese State**  
Cambridge University Press, ISBN 978-0-521-85354-5

Tatsumi, Takayuki 2006  
**Full Metal Apache: Transactions Between Cyberpunk Japan and Avant-Pop America**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3774-4  
Van Dyke, Paul A. 2005  
**The Canton Trade: Life and Enterprise on the China Coast, 1700-1845**  
Hong Kong University Press, ISBN 978-962-209-749-0  
Van Niel, Robert 2005  
**Java's Northeast Coast 1740-1840. A Study in Colonial Encroachment and Dominance**  
CNWS Publications, ISBN 978-90-5789-111-3  
Veen, Ernst van and Blussé, Leonard (eds.) 2005  
**Rivalry and Conflict. European Traders and Asian Trading networks in the 16th and 17th Centuries**  
CNWS Publications, ISBN 978-90-5789-104-5  
Veur, Paul W. van der 2006  
**The lion and the gadfly: Dutch colonialism and the spirit of E.F.E. Douwes Dekker**  
KITLV Press, ISBN 978-90-6718-242-3  
Vickers, Adrian 2005  
**A History of Modern Indonesia**  
Cambridge University Press, ISBN 978-0-521-54262-3

Wang, Gungwu 2005  
**China's New World: A History of Modernization**  
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Kowallis, Jon 2006  
**The Subtle Revolution: Poets of the "Old Schools" during Late Qing and Early Republican China**  
Institute of East Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, ISBN 978-1-55729-083-0  
Leenhouts, Mark 2005  
**Leaving the World to Enter the World. Han Shaogong and Chinese Root-Seeking Literature**  
CNWS Publications, ISBN 978-90-5789-106-9

Lin, Hsiao-Ting 2006  
**Tibet and Nationalist China's Frontier: Intrigues and Ethnopolitics, 1928-49**  
University of British Columbia Press, ISBN 978-0-7748-8130-3  
Long, Susan Orpett 2006  
**Final Days: Japanese Culture and Choice at the End of Life**  
University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-2964-3  
Lovell, Julia 2006  
**The Politics of Cultural Capital: China's Quest for a Nobel Prize in Literature**  
University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-2962-9  
Metzler, Mark 2006  
**Lever of Empire: The International Gold Standard and the Crisis of Liberalism in Prewar Japan**  
University of California Press, ISBN 978-0-520-24420-7  
Mirzék, Jan 2005  
**Phenomenology of a puppet theatre: Contemplations on the art of Javanese wayang kulit**  
KITLV Press, ISBN 978-90-6718-252-2  
Niranjana, Tejaswini 2006  
**Mobilizing India: Women, Music, and Migration between India and Trinidad**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3842-0  
Nordin, Hussin 2006  
**Trade and Society in the Straits of Melaka: Dutch Melaka and English Penang, 1780-1830**  
NIAS Press (co-published by Singapore University Press), ISBN 978-97-91114-47-2  
Ong, Aihwa 2006  
**Neoliberalism as Exception: Mutations in Citizenship and Sovereignty**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3748-5  
Ooi, Kee Beng 2006  
**The Reluctant Politician: Tun Dr Ismail**  
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, ISBN 978-981-230-424-7

Ortiz, Arturo 2006  
**Cultural Roots of the Latin American Revolution**  
Harvard University Press, ISBN 978-0-674-01828-0  
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Devy, G.N. 2006  
**A Nomad Called Thief: Reflections on Adivasi Silence**  
Orient Longman, ISBN 978-81-250-3021-8  
Ghosh, Durga and Kennedy, Dane 2006  
**Decentring Empire: Britain, India and the Transcolonial World**  
Orient Longman, ISBN 978-81-250-2982-3  
Goonetilleke, D.C.R.A. 2005  
**Sri Lankan English literature and the Sri Lankan people: 1917 - 2003**  
Vijitha Yapa Publications, ISBN 978-0-955-809582-6  
Gopinath, Gayatri 2005  
**Impossible Desires: Queer Diasporas and South Asian Public Cultures**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3513-9  
Havens, Thomas R.H. 2006  
**Radicals and Realists in the Japanese Nonverbal Arts: The Avant-Garde Rejection of Modernism**  
University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-3011-3  
Howes, John F. 2005  
**Japan's Modern Prophet: Uchimura Kazô, 1861-1930**  
University of British Columbia Press, ISBN 978-0-7748-1146-0  
Huters, Theodore 2005  
**Bringing the World Home: Appropriating the West in Late Qing and Early Republican China**  
University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-2838-7  
Jacobs, Els M. 2006  
**Merchant in Asia. The Trade of the Dutch East India Company during the Eighteenth Century**  
CNWS Publications, ISBN 978-90-5789-109-0  
Kathirithamby-Wells, Jeyamalar 2005  
**Nature and Nation: Forests and Development in Peninsular Malaysia**  
NIAS Press (co-published by Singapore University Press and the University of Hawai'i Press), ISBN 978-87-91114-22-9  
Knapp, Keith Nathaniel 2005  
**Selfless Offspring: Filial Children and Social Order in Medieval China**  
University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-2866-0

Anderson, Warwick 2006  
**Colonial Pathologies: American Tropical Medicine, Race, and Hygiene in the Philippines**  
Duke University Press, ISBN 978-0-8223-3843-7  
Appadurai, Arjun 2006  
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University of Hawai'i Press, ISBN 978-0-8248-2998-8  
Bhattacharya, Sanjiv 2006  
**Expanding Variola: The Control and Eradication of Smallpox in India, 1947-1977**  
Orient Longman, ISBN 978-81-250-3018-8  
Blurton, T. Richard 2006  
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**King of the Waters: Homan van der Heide and the origin of modern irrigation in Siam**  
KITLV Press, ISBN 978-90-6718-237-9  
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**Books received for ICAS Book Prize 2007**  
80 publications and 10 PhD theses have been received for the ICAS Book Prize 2007 competition. For the Best Study in Humanities 46 publications have been submitted and for the Best Study in Social Sciences 34.

**Humanities**  
Andaya, Barbara Watson 2006  
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