

UCLA — NTNU Taiwan Studies Initiative Conference

INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE, TAIWAN: COMPARATIVE AND RELATIONAL PERSPECTIVES



May 11 - 12, 2018 314 Royce Hall

RSVP: http://www.international.ucla.edu/apc/event/13058

Friday, May 11

9:30 Welcome Remarks

Cindy Fan, Vice Provost for International Studies and Global Engagement David Schaberg, Dean of Humanities
Min Zhou, Director of Asia Pacific Center

Shu-mei Shih, Professor of Asian Languages and Cultures

10:00-12:20 Panel 1: Indigenous vs. Settler Knowledges

Tunkan Tansikian, National Dong Hwa University *Indigenous Knowledge in Taiwan*

Mishuana Goeman, UCLA

Beyond the Grammar of Settler Apologies

Tibusungu 'e Vayayana/Ming-huey Wang, NTNU

Kuba-hosa-hupa: Taiwan Indigenous Cou's Cosmology and Pedagogy

Skaya Siku, Academia Sinica

The Making of Indigenous Knowledge in Contemporary Taiwan: A Case Study of Three Indigenous Documentary Filmmakers Moderated by **Katsuya Hirano**, UCLA

12:20-1:30 Lunch Break

1:30-3:50 Panel 2: With and Against Narratives of Settler Colonialism

Annmaria Shimabuku, NYU

Indigeneity in Intellectual History: Ifa Fuyū and "Okinawan Uniqueness"

Fang-mei Lin, NTNU

Two Historical Discourse Paradigms: Han People's Resistance against Japan and Indigenous People's Collaboration with Japan

Katsuya Hirano and Toulouse Roy, UCLA

Uncovering Taiwan's Settler-Colonial Unconsciousness

Nikky Lin, NTNU

Constructing Indigenous Literature: Re-examining the Writings of the Literary History of Taiwan's Indigenous Peoples

Moderated by Min Zhou, UCLA

4:20-5:30 Writer's Forum

Ibau Dadelavan, author of *Eagles, Goodbye: A Paiwan Woman's Journey* to Western Tibet (Miperepereper i kalevelevan aza aris; Laoying zaijian: yiwei paiwan nuzi de zangxi zhi lu)

Moderated by Shu-mei Shih, UCLA

This conference aims to engender transnational conversations about indigenous knowledge, with Taiwan as its comparative pivot and relational node. Setting discussions on indigenous knowledge and settler colonialism in Taiwan in dialogue with those in the United States, Okinawa, and the Philippines, this conference explores some initial and necessarily broad questions: What is indigenous knowledge and how is it defined in different places? How is indigenous knowledge relevant to such taxonomies as philosophy, epistemology, ontology, or cosmology? How has it been suppressed and/or erased, and how has it transformed and grown over time? What is being preserved, lost, and strengthened, and what might be the politics and poetics of preservation, loss, transformation, and growth? How have settler colonizers perceived, represented, and usurped indigenous knowledge? What imaginary of the future does indigenous knowledge present? How is indigenous knowledge a resource for all?

Organized by **Shu-mei Shih**, UCLA Asian Languages and Cultures.

Saturday, May 12

10:00-12:20 Panel 3: Land, Ecology, and Race

Daya Da-wei Kuan, National Cheng Chi University *Indigenous Knowledge of Landscape Management: An Ethno-*

physiographical Study in Tayal Communities, Taiwan Shannon Speed, UCLA

Traces of Mexican History: Land, Labor, and Race in the Neoliberal Settler State

Stephen Acabado, UCLA

Indigenous Agrofestry and Agroecological Systems: Risk Minimization between the Ifugao (Philippines) and Tayal (Taiwan)

Su-Bing Chang, NTNU

The River and the Indigenes: Discussion on the Rukai in the Jhuokou River Watershed

Moderated by Shu-mei Shih, UCLA

12:20-1:30 Lunch Break

1:30-3:30 Panel 4: Ethics of Research

Jolan Hsieh, National Dong Hwa University

From Collective Consent to Consultation Platform: Indigenous Research Ethics in Taiwan

K. Wayne Wang, UCSD

Land Rematriation in Settler Societies: Questions, Strategies, and Possibilities

Kyle Whyte, Michigan State University

The Significance of Inter-Indigenous Knowledge Exchange: Experiences, Ethics and Aspirations

Moderated by Breny Mendoza, CSUN

4:00-5:00 **Conclusion and Reflections** (All Participants) Moderated by **Shu-mei Shih**, UCLA











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