

# **ASIANetwork Initiatives**

*Program for 8th Annual ASIANetwork Conference*

*Pre-Conference Field Trip*

*The United Board Visiting Scholars Program*

*ASIANetwork Freeman Student-Faculty Fellows Program*

*Ford Foundation Faculty Curricular Development on Asia for the 21st Century Program.*

*Announcement of the 9th Annual ASIANetwork Conference*

## **8th Annual ASIANetwork Conference**

**28-30 April 2000**

**Hickory Ridge Conference Ctr.  
Chicago, Illinois**

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

**Anthony Yu**

The University of Chicago  
*"The Real Tripitaka Revisited"*

**William LaFleur**

The University of Pennsylvania  
*Saving the Rain Forest of Ethics: Society, Urgency, and  
the Study of Asia"*

### **INVITATION FROM STAN MICKEL, Chair, The ASIANetwork**

You are cordially invited to attend the eighth annual conference of the ASIANetwork consortium, an increasingly important voice for Asian studies as a part of the liberal arts curriculum. The conference will be held at the Hickory Ridge Conference Center, Friday-Sunday, April 28-30, 2000. This site is in Lisle, Illinois, so your air travel should take you to either O'Hare or Midway Airport in Chicago.

The program this year follows the format that has been so successful at previous ASIANetwork conferences. Two internationally known keynote speakers, Anthony Yu and William LaFleur, will speak about their research and how studying Asia has shaped their lives; two plenary sessions are devoted to the examination of issues that will affect teaching about Asia in the next century; and there are sixteen panels organized around the principle of members sharing experiences they have had teaching and learning about Asia. The panels range from some addressing pedagogical and intellectual concerns, to those focused on program or curricular design, to those organized around discussion of broader professional concerns. Three panels are devoted to featuring participant reports of the results of ASIANetwork grant-funded initiatives: the Ford Faculty Curricular Development Program, the Freeman Faculty-Student Fellows, and the Freeman College in Asia Summer Institute.

The conversations that inevitably arise among participants are an outstanding feature of an ASIANetwork conference. Whether occurring as part of the formal sessions or in informal exchanges over meals, snacks, or in the hallways, these conversations lead to opportunities for further insights about Asian studies.

Of special interest this year is the pre-conference activity on Friday. Organized by Norm Moline, there will be a day-long trip to some of the many Asian sites around the Chicago area.

The conference this year benefits from both ongoing support from the Luce Foundation and from a program grant received from the Japan Foundation. We are grateful for their vote of confidence in our activities.

I look forward to seeing you in April and urge you to pre-register for the conference and other planned activities, make your Hickory Ridge reservations, and schedule your air and ground transportation from the airport.

### **PROGRAM**

#### **Friday, 28 April 2000**

**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Pre-Conference Field Trip

*"Asian Art, Culture, and Community in the Chicago Area"*  
Norm Moline, Augustana College

**4:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

Registration: Lobby

**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Dinner: Prairie Dining Room

**8:00 - 9:30 p.m.**

Welcome: Woodlands Room

♦ Stan Mickel, ASIANetwork Board Chair, Wittenberg  
University

Keynote: Woodlands Room

♦ Anthony Yu

The University of Chicago

*"The Real Tripitaka Revisited"*

Introduced by Henry Rosemont, Jr.

St. Mary's College of Maryland

**Saturday, 29 April 2000**

**7:00 – 8:15 a.m.**

Breakfast: Prairie Dining Room

**8:30 – 10:00 a.m.**

Plenary Session – Woodlands Room

- ◆ *“Liberal Arts Colleges in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Their Future and That of Asian Studies”*

Convener: Tom Coburn

St. Lawrence University

Panelists: Tom Benson

Green Mountain College

Marianna McJimsey

Colorado College

William Green

University of Rochester

Timothy Light

Western Michigan University

Toby Volkman

Ford Foundation

**10:00 – 10:15 a.m.**

Refreshment Break

**10:15 – 11:45 a.m.**

Concurrent Panels

- ◆ *“Women’s Issues in Asia: An Asian Perspective”* – Room S202

Convener: Deborah Sommer Gettysburg College

Panelists: Xiaoming Ai (China) UBCHEA at University of the South

Jung-Soon Shim (Korea)

UBCHEA at Rutgers University

Geetha Sridharan (India)

UBCHEA at Davidson College

- ◆ Freeman: *“College in Asia Summer Institute”* – Lisle Room

Convener: Norm Moline

Augustana College

Panelists: Program Participants

- ◆ *“Teaching Vietnam: The Country and the War”* – Woodridge Room

Panelists: Eugene Brown, Chair

Lebanon Valley College

James Gillam

Spelman College

J. Aaron Frith

Spelman College

- ◆ *“Black Experience in Asian Studies”* – Theater

Convener: Bernice J. Scott

Spelman College

Panelists: Anne R. Hornsby

Spelman College

Yoko Ueda

Spelman College

Junko McCart

Morehouse College

**Noon – 1:00 p.m.**

Lunch: Prairie Dining Room

**1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Concurrent Panels

- ◆ Workshop Part 1: *“Impact of Culture on Communication: Focus on Asia”* – Room S202

Directors: Pamela Leri

Independent Consultant

Cathy Benton

Lake Forest College

NOTE: This workshop will last two sessions from 1:30-4:45 p.m.

- ◆ Freeman: *“Faculty-Student Research Fellows”* – Lisle Room

Convener: Teddy Amaloza

Illinois Wesleyan University

Panelists: Program Participants

- ◆ *“Teaching About Tibetan Buddhism”* – Woodridge Room

Convener: Henry Rosemont, Jr.

St. Mary’s College of Maryland

Panelists: Joel Smith

Skidmore College

Rob Linrothe

Skidmore College

Brad Clough

Bard College

- ◆ *“Integrating Asian Studies into the Liberal Arts Curriculum: Bridge Building, Synergy, and Cross Fertilization”* – Theater

Panelists: Timothy Cheek, Chair

Colorado College

Nick Kontogeorgopoulos

University of Puget Sound

Karl Fields

University of Puget Sound

King-Fai Tam

Trinity College

Joan Ericson

Colorado College

**3:00 – 3:15 p.m.**

Refreshment Break

**3:15 – 4:45 p.m.**

Concurrent Panels

◆ Workshop Part 2 – *“Impact of Culture on Communication: Focus on Asia”* – Room S202

◆ Ford Program: *“Faculty Curricular Development”* – Lisle Room

Conveners: Rita Kipp

Kenyon College

Leedom Lefferts

Drew University

Job Thomas

Davidson College

Panelists: Program Participants

◆ *“Asian Women Writers”* – Woodridge Room

Panelists: Jyoti Grewal, Chair

Luther College

Shailja Sharma

DePaul University

Robert Drexler

Coe College

◆ *“Teaching About Korea: Strategies, Struggles, and Success Stories”* – Theater

Panelists: Linda Lewis, Chair

Wittenberg University

Samuel Yamashita

Pomona College

Jonathan Woff

University of Pittsburgh

**5:15 – 6:15 p.m.**

Shakuhachi Flute performance by Michael Gould

Wooded area behind Hickory Ridge (weather permitting), otherwise Woodlands Room

**6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

Dinner – Prairie Dining Room

**8:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

Keynote Address – Woodlands Room

◆ William R. LaFleur

The University of Pennsylvania

*“Saving the Rain Forest of Ethics: Society, Urgency, and the Study of Asia”*

Introduced by Chris Ives

The University of Puget Sound

**Sunday, 30 April 2000**

**7:00 – 7:20 a.m.**

Interfaith Service – Room S202

Conducted by George Meese

Eckerd College

**7:00 – 8:00 a.m.**

Breakfast: Prairie Dining Room

**8:00 – 8:45 a.m.**

ASIANetwork Business Meeting – Woodlands Room

**9:00 – 10:00 a.m.**

Plenary Session – Woodlands Room

◆ *“Technology and Teaching: Where are we? Where are we going? How do we get there?”*

Convener: Charles Ess

Drury College

Panelists: Michael Leming

St. Olaf College

Jim Lochtefeld

Carthage College

Stan Mickel

Wittenberg College

**10:00 – 10:15 a.m.**

Refreshment Break

**10:15 – 11:45 a.m.**

Concurrent Panels

◆ *“Teaching the Body-Mind Shop: Health and Healing in Asian Cultures”* – Room S202

Panelists: Pan Da’an, Chair

Muhlenberg College

Deborah Sommer

Gettysburg College

Stephen Smith

Wittenberg University

Robert Tallitsch

Augustana College

◆ *“The Dangers and Pleasures of Teaching Orientalist Classic Books”* – Lisle Room

Panelists: Chuck Hayford, Chair

Independent Scholar

Robert Drexler

Coe College

Dan Meissner

Carthage College

Eleanor Zelliot

Carleton College

◆ *“Writing about Asia: Student Writing in the Asian Studies Course”* – Woodridge Room

Panelists: Caroline Reeves, Chair

Williams College

Yi-li Wu

Albion College

Eriberto Lozada

Butler University

George Meese

Eckerd College

- ◆ *“Critical Issues Facing Global Higher Education: From an Asian and American Perspective”* – Theater  
A discussion organized by the Boyer Center at Messiah College. Based upon a just concluded workshop.

**Noon – 1:00 p.m.**

Lunch – Woodlands Room

Sponsored by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia

- ◆ Sui Gang, (UBCHEA) Drew University  
*“Literature as a Tool for English Learning”*

Introduced by David Vikner

#### **PRE-CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP**

See the article on page 8 for information on the field trip. Field trip fees must also be paid by **Wednesday, March 29, 2000.**

#### **WORKSHOP: IMPACT OF CULTURE ON COMMUNICATION**

Refer to information which was sent to members earlier this year. Because of the nature of this workshop, the number of participants will be limited to 50 individuals.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS AND TRAVEL INFORMATION**

ASIANetwork conference attendees should make Hickory Ridge Conference Center reservations by calling 1-800-228-9290 or 630-971-5030. Clarify that you will be attending the ASIANetwork Spring Conference to secure conference rates.

**Reservations must be completed by Wednesday, March 29, 2000.** Reservations received after this date will be accepted on a space available basis. Although the Hickory Ridge Conference Center has set aside a given number of rooms for the ASIANetwork Conference, the Center is not a hotel, and therefore it is important for conference attendees to make their housing reservations in a timely fashion.

The complete meeting package rate is a **per night** charge and includes guest room, all meals plus refreshment breaks, and the use of the fitness center and recreation facilities. The rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes in effect at the time of check-in.

**Meeting package rates are: single room \$145.00 per person, per night; double room \$235.00 per room per night.** Attendees wishing to make double room reservations are responsible for making their own room-sharing arrangements.

To make reservations for limousine service from and to O'Hare Airport and Midway Airport, call the American Limousine Company, 630-920-8888. Ask for current rates.

If you are traveling by car, ask for directions to Hickory Ridge when you make your room reservations.

#### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE**

Conference registration fees must be paid by **Wednesday, March 29, 2000.** ASIANetwork members \$40; non-ASIANetwork members \$50. Late registration fees (those received after March 29, 2000) are \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members.

Please send registration checks, made out to **ASIANetwork**, to:  
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