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**Anthropology**

Tai Culture : International Review on Tai Cultural studies Vol: III No.1 June 1998  
Thailand ; Germany : Sangsan Publishing House ; Seacom  
174 p.: ill.; 21 cm.  
ISSN : 1431-1240  
\$ 5.00

[Tai culture is an international review on Tai cultural studies including such fields as language/literature, history, society, anthropology, religion, arts and lifestyle of Tai peoples in Southeast Asia and neighbouring regions.

**Contents**

The State of Knowledge of Ahom History  
FAA-KHWAN-MUANG : The Worldview of the Ancient Tai : A Study of the Tai Ahom Documents  
Kinship and Marriage in Daikong  
Trading and Commerce of the Laotian People in the Mekong River Basin from the Time of Independence to 1975  
Lan Na History in the Lu Chronicles

Folk Wisdom, Spirit Cults and Power Change of the Lua and Muang at the Boe Kluea Salt Mine of Nan Province

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An Ancient bird-shaped weight system from lan na and Burma / Donald and Joan Gear

Bangkok : Silkworm books, c2002

xi, 86 p.: ill.; 18cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

974-7551-92-6

\$ 9.00

[This monograph explores in detail the little-known system of ancient bird-shaped weights from Northern Thailand and Burma. The weights are carefully described and analyzed as to their origin and use, their mass scale and its relation to other mass scales, their composition and production techniques, and their shapes and symbolism.

These bird-shaped weights have been seen in Mae Hong Son in Thailand, and in Sagaing, Pagan, Mandalay, Pegu, and Rangoon in Burma. Although historical records fail to mention much about the ancient weights in Southeast Asia, fortunately, records of European traders and of Arab, Persian, and Chinese travelers from previous centuries do exist, and these provide an opportunity for comparison. Donald and Joan Gear broaden their study to consider the historical context of the Lan Na weights, comparing them with the weight systems found in surrounding areas. They conclude that from about the eleventh century until the mid-sixteenth century, the bird-shaped weights were most likely used by traders along the route through Raheng and Martaban to Pegu.]

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Khmer Costumes and ornaments : Of the Devatas of Angkor Wat / Sappho Marchal

Thailand : Orchid Press, 2005

xii, 99 p.: ill.; 21 cm.

974-524-057-5

\$ 20.00

[Author and artist Sappho marchal was the daughter of the renowned French conservator of Angkor, Henri Marchal. She spent her early years in Cambodia Surrounded by the magnificent monuments of the Khmers and produced the present study in 1927 at the age of 23. Her annotated line drawings capture the beauty and intricate detail of Khmer costumes and ornaments depicted on the apsara reliefs of Angkor Wat with even more clarity than film. This documentation is all the more valuable since many of these reliefs have severely deteriorated or disappeared. This first English edition of Marchal's work will serve as an essential record and guide for present – day visitors to the monument.]

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Recalling Lost Souls : the Baeu Rodo scriptures tai cosmogonic texts from Guangxi in Southern China / David Holm

Thailand : White Lotus Co., Ltd., c2004

xviii, 310 p.: ill.; 21cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

Includes 1 CD

974-4800-51-8

\$ 25.00

[Recalling Lost Souls explores an indigenous scriptural tradition found among the Zhuang, a Tai-speaking people who inhabit the provinces of Guangxi and Yunnan in

southern China. It presents for the first time in English a remarkable collection of ritual texts, recently discovered in the remote highlands of northwestern Guangxi. Written in the 'old Zhuang script', these scriptures are cast in an archaic form of five-syllable verse. They recount how the earth and sky were separated at the beginning of the world, how human beings found water and learned to harness it, how fire was tamed, how rice was domesticated, how domestic animals were first created, and how human institutions like sacrifice, marriage, chieftaincy, and writing came into being. Many of the texts in this collection are recited for the recall of lost souls, much like the *suu khwan* texts of Thailand and Laos.]

Companion CD provides additional material like sound recordings of recitations, transcriptions, and interlinear word glosses, photographs of the Manuscript pages and a complete glossary and concordance

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The Home of an Eastern Clan : A Study of the Palaungs of the Shan States / Leslie Milne

Bangkok : White Lotus Press,c2004

428 p.: 21cm.

Includes Index

974-4800-56-9

Reprint of the 1924 edition

\$ 19.50

[The Home of an Eastern Clan is a detailed study on all aspects of life and culture of the Palaungs of the Shan States. This study, which was researched in the 1910s and published in 1924, deals for the most part with the Katur tribe of the Palaungs. They live in or near Namhsan, the capital of Tawngpeng, which was nominally a Shan State but which was governed by a Palaung chief then, and inhabited almost entirely by Palaungs. The Palaungs are a Mon-Khmer speaking group [as are the Lamet in Laos]. Since her first encounters with the Palaungs in 1906-1980 the author learned the languages of the main dialect spoken in Namhsan. This scarce book is still one of the main studies on the subject and covers chapters on babies, young girls and boys, young men and maidens, marriage, the dwelling and home life, village life, medicine, customs on child birth and death, religion and cosmology, and some details on proverbs and folktales indeed most topics a female author would explore.]

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Fascinating folktales of Thailand / Retold and Translated into English by Thanapol (Lamduan) Chadchaidee

Second Edition

Bangkok : D.K.Today Co., Ltd., c2004

327 p.: ill.; 21 cm.

974-91739-9-6

\$ 9.00

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Thai Folklore : Insights into Thai Culture / Edited by Siraporn Nathalang

2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.

Thailand : Chulalongkorn University Press, 2004

227 p.; ill; 21cm.

974-13-3149-5

\$ 10.00

Islands of the Andaman Sea and the Sea Nomads : Panorama

S.L. : S.N., 2005

100 p.; ill.; 29cm.

974-92661-0-2

\$ 20.00

[The Andaman Sea, the Islands, the Sea Nomads and the terrific Underwater world are the topic of our book, our book is unique, pls. buy it, its worth it.

From the end of British colonial times until recent days no foreigners have been allowed into the Myeik / Mergui archipaelago, the area off the Myanmar Tanintharyi / Tennasserim coast. The Andaman Sea all the way down to Phuket Island in Thailand is dotted with more than 800 untouched islands (in Myanmar), densely forested with jungle, usually a frontline of white beaches and sometimes rocks. One of the very few "Virgin" places on this planet, above and under the ocean Surface.

In our book you will find comprehensive up to date information about the Andaman Sea and the Seafarer plus beautiful photos. There is a lot for the casual traveller and also for the one who is more interested from a ethnological point of view.]

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The Religion of the Hmong Njua / Nusit Chindarsi

Thailand : S.N., 1976

ii, 197 p.; 25cm.

Includes Bibliography.

\$ 35.00

Contents :

The Hmong People

Meto and its people

The Cosmology -Spirits - Souls

Communication with the supernatural

Ceremonies and Beliefs affecting the life cycle

Ceremonies and Beliefs affecting Health

Ceremonies and Beliefs affecting social cohesion

The effect of the religious beliefs on the economic situation

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### **Architecture**

Space, colours & Light : Interior architectural renderings / Edited by Mongkon

Ponganutree, Pirak anurakyawachon

Bangkok : Interior Architects 49 Limited,2004

271 p.: ill.; 25cm.

974-92118-4-7

\$ 18.00

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Six hundred years of work by Thai Artists and architects / Joti Kalyanamitra

2<sup>nd</sup> edition

Bangkok : The Fine arts commission of the association of Siamese Architects under Royal patronage,2003

135 p.: ill.; 27cm.

974-91612-8-9

\$ 10.00

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Architectural Heritage in Thailand : Twenty Years of Architectural Conservation Award 1982-2002

Bangkok : The Association of Siamese Architects Under Royal Patronage, c2004

385 p.; ill.; 28cm.

Includes Bibliography.

974-92106-7-0

\$ 75.00

[Contents :

Message from the President of the Association of Siamese Architects

Message from the President of Fine Art Commission

Origins of the Fine Art Commission

ASA Architectural Conservation Award

35 Years of Architectural Conservation

Message from the Editor

Introduction : The ASA Architectural Conservation award and Architectural Value

Architectural Heritage in Bangkok

Architectural Heritage in the Central Region

Architectural Heritage in the Northern Region

Architectural Heritage in Chiangmai

Architectural Heritage in the North-Eastern Region

Architectural Heritage in the southern Region

Bibliography

List of the Award-Winning Buildings (from 1982-2004)

List of the Fine Arts Commission Members

Acknowledgements.]

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## **ART**

Lao-Tai Textiles : The Textiles of Xam Nuea and Muang Phuan / Patricia Cheesman

Thailand : Studio Naenna Co.Ltd., c2004

297 p.: ill.; 31cm.

Includes Bibliography

974-272-915-8

\$ 59.50

[Contents :

Chapter 1 : Geographical setting

Chapter 2 : Historical setting

Chapter 3 : Classification and identification system

Chapter 4 : Cultural aspects

Chapter 5 : Textiles for women's everyday wear

Chapter 6 : Textiles for women's ceremonial dress

Chapter 7 : Textiles for men's clothing

Chapter 8 : Textiles for shamanic rituals and Buddhist ceremonies

Chapter 9 : Household textiles

Chapter 10: Techniques for dyeing and weaving

Chapter 11 : Textile motifs and their symbolism

Appendix 1 and 3

Bibliography ]

## **Business**

Thailand Food Stats : 2003- 2004  
Bangkok : Alpha Research Co., Ltd. c2003  
318 p.; 29cm.  
Includes Index..  
974-91535-7-x  
Highlight and Analysis of Thailand's Food Export Statistics  
\$ 40.00

[Contents :  
Section 1 : Introduction  
Section 2 : Thailand's economy and international trade  
Section 3 : Thailand's food export highlights  
Section 4 : Food export statistics  
Indices.]

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Pocket Thailand in Figures : 2005  
8<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Bangkok : Alpha Research Co., Ltd., 2005  
412 p.; 21cm.  
Includes Index  
974-92546-5-1  
\$ 12.00

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Future Vision / M.L.Chaivat Jayankura  
Bangkok : A.R.Business Press,2004  
291 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-92546-2-7  
1. Management – Human Resources, Sales and Marketing  
2. Leadership Skill – Leader for Future  
3. Self Development  
\$ 25.00

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Thailand Public Health 2002  
4<sup>th</sup> edition  
Bangkok : Alpha Research co.,Ltd.,2002  
437 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
Includes Index  
974-90323-1-4  
\$ 50.00

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Thailand in Figures 2004-2005  
10<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Bangkok : Alpha Research Co.,Ltd.,2005  
958 p.: ill.; 29cm.  
Includes Index  
974-92774-1-4  
\$ 120.00  
(Standing Orders Accepted)

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International Rubber conference 2004 Full Texts : Volume 1 & 2 / Compiled by  
Patthavuth Jewtragoon, Wate Thainugul  
Songkhla : Thai Rubber Association,2004  
v.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-92026-2-7 -Volume 1  
974-92026-2-7 -Volume 2  
International Rubber Conference 2004 Chiangmai Thailand 8-9 April 2004  
\$ 40.00 (Set)

[Contents :  
Volume 1 :  
The Trends in NR Production  
Global trends of NR Demand  
Economy and marketing  
New NR Technology  
Volume 2 :  
Session 1 : The Trends in NR Production  
Session 2 : Global trends of NR demand  
Session 3 : Economy and marketing  
Session 4 : New NR Technology  
Session 5 : Panel Discussion.]

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Greater Mekong Subregion Business Handbook  
New York : United Nations, [Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the  
Pacific], c2002  
ix, 235 p.; 30cm.  
**\$ 25.00**

[From Foreword :  
The Handbook is designed to stimulate interest in and attract investors to the  
Greater Mekong Subregion by compiling comprehensive information on numerous  
facets of the Subregion, including background on GMS arrangements, country  
profiles, projects, investment climate and opportunities, foreign investment  
procedures and customs, regulatory frameworks, support networks, travel and  
accommodations, and more. Numerous individual country business handbooks and  
investor guides are available from public and private agencies, but this handbook  
compiles business and investment information from all six economies in the  
Subregion and places the information in the context of regional opportunities and  
strategies as opposed to merely an individual country. Not only does the Handbook  
facilitate new foreign investors in the Subregion, it also provides useful information.  
It is hoped that this Handbook will promote a more positive image of the Greater  
Mekong Subregion and demonstrate that, with a proper understanding of the  
business environment, the Subregion offers viable investment opportunities as Asia's  
next frontier.]

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Thailand Company Handbook : The Quarterly Guide to Thailand's Listed Companies -  
February 2005  
Thailand : The Brooker Group Public Company Limited, c2005  
viii, 1020 p.; 20cm.  
Includes Index  
ISSN : 1685-7860  
\$ 25.00

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## **Communication & Journalism**

Print media in ASEAN / Edited by Chaleo Manilerd  
Bangkok. : A Publication of the ASEAN Committee on culture and information, c1998  
278 p.: ill.; 23cm.  
974-7506-11-4  
\$ 15.00

## **Economics**

Laying the Tracks : The Impact of Railways on the Thai Economy 1885-1935 / Ichiro Kakizaki  
Victoria : Trans Pacific Press, 2005  
xii, 327 p.; 24cm.  
Includes Bibliography and Index.  
Kyoto Area Studies on Asia : Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University :  
Volume 10  
1-920-901-02-7  
1. Railroads-Thailand-History  
2. Railroads-Economic Aspects – Thailand  
3. Thailand-Economic Conditions-1782-1945  
\$ 77.00

[The economic history of the early development of Thailand's railways details the rail policies of the royal government, from the end of the 19th century to 1932, when the Constitutional Revolution overthrew it. It also assesses the role and impact of the railways on Thailand's economy in terms of the degree to which they reduced transport time and cost, as well as the extent to which they altered the flow of commodities and the transportation of passengers across the country.]

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After the Crisis : Hegemony, Technology and Governance in Southeast Asia / Edited by Shiraishi Takashi  
Kyoto : Kyoto University Press, & [Trans Pacific Press, Victoria], c2005  
ix, 252 p.; 24cm.  
Includes Index.  
Kyoto Area Studies on Asia : Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University :  
Volume 11  
1-920-901-06x  
ISSN : 1445-9663  
\$ 77.00

[Contents :  
1. Introduction : States, Markets and societies after the Asian Crisis / Takashi Shiraishi  
2. Who Manages and Who damages the Thai Economy? The Technocracy, the Four Core Agencies System and Dr. Puey's Networks / Akira Suehiro  
3. The Resurgence of US Government Influence on Thailand's Economy and Southeast Asia Policy / Ukrist Pathmanand  
4. The Philippine Technology and US-Led capitalism / Teresa S. Encarnacion Tadem  
5. A State with "Seizable" Scale : A Political Economy approach to Mahathir's Development policies and implementation Mechanism / Takashi Torii



6. Understanding "Democratic Transitions" : Some insights from Gus Dur's Brief Presidency in Indonesia / Vedi R. Hadiz
  7. Governing the Philippines in the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century / Patricio N. Abinales
  8. Mahathirism After the Asian Crisis and Beyond Mahathir / Khoo Boo Teik
  9. Post-Crisis Economic Impasse and Political Recovery in Thailand : The Resurgence of Economic Nationalism / Kasian Tejapira
  10. Recent Social Movements in Thailand in Global Perspective / Pasuk Phongpaichit
- Index.]

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Economic and non-traditional security cooperation in the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) / Edited by Jorn Dosch, Colin Durkop

Singapore : Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Singapore, c2005

vii, 159 p.: ill.; 27cm.

981-05-2723-3

\$ 22.00

[The Greater Mekong Subregion(GMS), comprising china Burma/Myanmar , Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam, is among the most dynamic subregional cooperation schemes in the world.

Most Observers tend to stress economic incentives as the Mekong States' main motivation in intensifying subregional co-operation. However it must be acknowledged that non-traditional security(i.e. the broad area of comprehensive security covering non-military areas such as human security, economic security and environmental security) has been an equally if not more important dimension. This book deals with these manifold aspects of cooperation in the GMS from the Perspectives of both academics and practitioners.]

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Textiles of Insana, West Timor : Women Weaving and Village Development / William G.Coury

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2004

xvii, 134 p.: ill.; 31cm.

Includes Index

974-4800-52-6

\$ 30.00

[This book explores the position handwoven textiles occupy in the household economy and the process of development. Throughout the pages of this book, the women of Insana tell the story of how weaving transforms the economic present and future of their families and community. It is an important addition to the body of knowledge surrounding development efforts and handicrafts. The book provides a valuable comparative tools for other researchers whose work focuses on women and development in Southeast Asia. The book contains 47 black and white photographs and 95 color photographs representing the Atoni of Insana and their textiles.]

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Participatory approaches for sustainable land use in Southeast Asia / Edited by Andreas Neef

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2005

xvii, 411p.: ill.; 21cm.

Includes Bibliography

974-4800-67-4

\$ 30.00

[Participatory approaches for sustainable land use in southeast Asia comprises in-depth analyses and discussion of participatory research and development in action with emphasis on the needs of rural communities in marginal regions of Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Nepal the Philippines, South China, Thailand and Vietnam. 38 scientists and development practitioners share their extensive multidisciplinary experiences and discuss the relevance, application and pitfalls of participatory approaches to research and development. Most of the chapters evolved from papers presented at the international workshop 'Participatory Technology Development and Local Knowledge for Sustainable Land use in Southeast Asia' held from 6-7 June 2001 in Chiang Mai, Thailand. ]

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Science and Technology in Thailand : Moving Forward to the New Era / Edited by Supachai Lorlowhakarn, Sasithorn Teth-Uthapak  
Bangkok : National Science and Technology Development Agency,c2003  
xiii, 241 p.: ill.; 21 cm.  
974-229-558-1  
1.Science -Thailand  
2.Technology-Thailand  
3.Innovation-Thailand  
I. National Science and Technology  
Development Agency  
\$ 20.00

[Thailand is a typical "advanced" developing country, or is on the verge of becoming one, and may be viewed as a model for countries that have increasingly realized the importance of science and technology in their development. Science and Technology in Thailand: Moving Forward to the New Era provides an overview of the role of science and technology to the national development of Thailand. Science and technology are examined through various perspectives: cultural, historical, technological, and societal. Further more, science and technology have played and increasingly important role in the economic development of Thailand, which could in turn become the foundation for a new knowledge-based economy in this country. Thailand has accomplished numerous developments in light of the role played by science and technology in several fields through different institutions and is putting forth these achievements into improving our status. However, Thailand's future competitiveness also depends on the innovation system and the supports given to expand it but Thailand still faces a variety of obstacles in the structures and functioning of policy and institutes that limit our industry.]

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International dimensions of Japanese financial development = Implications for Asean and Thailand : Proceedings of an international conference on Thai-Japan Relations / edited by Attacharn Pattanajidvilai  
Bangkok : Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University, 1991  
207 p.: ill.; 23cm.  
974-579-520-8  
\$ 30.00

[Contents :  
Opening Session : Report of the Director of the Japanese Foundation Mr.Haruo Washi  
Report of the Dean of the faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn university Dr.Pairoj vongvipanond  
Keynote Speech /H.E.Korn Dabbaransi

Session 1 : Financial globalization and monetary policy in Japan: an overview akio kuroda  
Session 2 : Japanese international banking expansion Tsuneo Ikeda  
Session 3 : Japan's international capital market and international capital movement  
Session 4 : Japan, ASEAN and Thailand : future financial relations.]

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Exploring Borders : Reportage from our Mekong  
Bangkok : Inter press service [IPS] Asia-Pacific,c2004  
viii, 151p.: ill.; 27cm.  
\$ 45.00

[The rough-and-tumble feel of bustling border towns. Increasing trade between countries that used to be at war with each other. Differences that divide and similarities that bind people. Legends they share. These are just some of the images found in this book, a collection of in-depth features and photo essays done by 17 journalists from the six countries of the Mekong region.

This is a look at the fast-changing region through the eyes of local journalists, who spent weeks and months exploring cross-border issues and then crafted features around them.

From China, Burma, Laos, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam, these journalists make up the second batch of fellows who have completed the media fellowship programme 'Our Mekong: A Vision amid Globalization', undertaken by inter press service [IPS] Asia-Pacific.]

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### **Environment**

Southeast Asia Indigenous Peoples and Collaborative management in protected areas : Proceedings of a strategy and planning workshop 3-6 August 2004  
Chiang Mai : Asia Indigenous peoples pact foundation, 2004  
72 p.: ill.; 25cm.  
\$ 19.00

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Thai Fungal Diversity / Edited by E.b.Gareth Jones , Morakot Tanticharoen, K.D. Hyde  
Bangkok : Biotech, c2004  
xi, 281 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
Includes Index  
9-628676-57-1  
\$ 25.00

[This book introduces the wealth of fungal diversity to be found in Thailand and is informative and well illustrated to reach as wide an audience as possible. Currently some 6,000 species have been reported for the principality and this volume outlines the fungal taxa that have been studied and subjects requiring further research. We hope that this will appeal to both research workers requiring data on the fungal diversity of the country and also introduce this the general public to a fascinating group of organisms. We hope it will make a useful introduction to the taxonomy, ecology and utilization of fungi in Thailand for undergraduate students wishing to learn more about this fascinating group of organisms.]

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## **History**

A Journey in Siam (1863) / Adolf Bastian

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2005

ix, 264p.: 21cm.

Adolf Bastian's Travels in South-East Asia : Volume 2

974-4800-6-7

\$ 22.00

[A Journey in Siam (1863), volume 2 of Adolf Bastian's Travels in South – East Asia, contains the travelogue written by Dr. Adolf Bastian during his travels in Thailand. Bastian was a renowned ethnographer, who founded both Berlin's museum for Volkerkunde and the Berlin Anthropological Society, and his work contains valuable observations and interpretations made by one of the pioneers of ethnography. He observes, describes and records the later period of King Mongkut's reign, which ended in 1868, which is not well covered by published sources, only Monsignor Jean-Baptiste Pallegoix's writings dealing extensively with the early years of that reign. While staying in Bangkok, this thorough and tireless German scholar insisted on learning Siamese, and he covers almost every aspect of the spiritual life of the various groups of people he met in the capital. Bastian's interests also extend to Siam's administrative and legal system as well as to the particularities of the lives of the various types of slaves in the country. ]

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Over the Misty Mountain : A Journey from Tonkin to the Lamet in Laos / Karl Gustav Izikowitz

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2004

xvi, 234 p.: ill.; 21cm.

974-4800-44-5

\$ 21.50

[This book was first published in 1944 in Swedish and never before translated into English. Unfortunately, it has therefore remained an unknown work in most scholarly circles. This book preceded Izikowitz's classic ethnographic work on the Lamet, a Mon-Khmer speaking people in Laos. Izikowitz, a keen observer, traveled in the late 1930s and studied the various tribal groups on his way to the Lamet and back. He recorded their customs, belief systems, ceremonies, relationships as well as their agriculture, partly based on slash and burn cultivation. This more general work is rich in details, for example on the French administrative system in those remote areas. The work is enriched by 138 period photographs.]

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Siam and the British, 1874-75 : Sir Andrew Clarke and the front palace crisis / Xie Shunyu

Bangkok : Thammasat University Press, 2004

72 p.: ill.; 21cm.

974-571-291-4

\$ 5.00

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Dr. Richardson's missions to Siam 1829-1839 / Edited by Anthony Farrington

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2004

xxii, 271 p.: 21cm.

Includes Index

974-4800-48-8

\$ 20.00

[This book survive in manuscripts in the East India Company's archives and in the contemporary Journal of the Asiatic society of Bengal. Antony Farrington has now brought them together for the first time. They contain a wealth of information on Chiang Mai, Lamphun and Lampang, parts of the country which were completely unknown to Europeans, as well as fascinating encounters in Bangkok at a crucial period in the history of early modern Siam. David Richardson (1796-1846), a surgeon in the English East India Company's Madras Army, was posted to Moulmein when the Company seized the Tenasserim Provinces at the end of the First Burmese War. One of the first British officers to become fluent in Burmese, his skills were diverted into various diplomatic missions. Between 1829 and 1939 he made four remarkable pioneering journeys overland into Siam.]

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In the name of the boss upstairs : The father ray brennan story / Jerry Hopkins  
Hawai : Thomas J.Vincent Foundation, c2004  
301 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
0-9759284-1-4  
**\$ 20.00**

[The Pattaya Orphanage made Father Ray Brennan a famous man who was praised by religious leaders and honored by Thailand's royal family and governments around the world. Still, he never abandoned the gruff voice he claimed came from the tough Chicago South Side, nor surrendered his childlike love of practical jokes and ice cream. This biography was authorized by the priest's family and the Father Ray Foundation, and all proceeds from its sale go to pay the cost of higher education for the children in the schools and homes he founded. However, it was agreed that no punches would be pulled in telling Father Ray's story and an internationally recognized biographer was charged with the writing. Allegations of pedophilia, which surfaced near the end of the priest's life, are fully examined. Father Ray emerges as a human being with a special mission from the Boss upstairs.]

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The Journal of the Siam Society : Volume 92-2004  
Bangkok : The Siam Society, c2003  
vii, 211 p.; 24cm.  
ISSN : 0857-7099  
\$ 26.75

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Prince Prisdang and the proposal for the first Siamese constitution, 1885  
Russian-Thai Relations : Historical and Cultural Aspects  
Village as Stage : Imaginative space and time in rural Northeast Thai Lives

#### Notes & Reviews

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**The Siam Society : A Century** / William Warren

Bangkok : The Siam Society, c2004

v, 159 p.: ill.; 27cm.

974-8298-56-6

\$ 55.00

[The Siam Society was the result of the meeting. Over the century since, despite wars and other difficult periods, it has adhered steadfastly to its original aims. It has published an annual Journal as well as a Natural History Bulletin which together have covered a wide range of learned studies. In addition it has held regular meetings, offered countless lectures by experts in their fields of study, arranged field trips for members to places of interest in Thailand and abroad and sponsored numerous projects to advance causes as varied as the restoration of temple murals and the importance of environmental conservation.

This centenary book seeks not only to tell the story of an institution respected worldwide for its learning but also to examine some of the remarkable men and women who have been responsible for its achievements.]

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Travels in Cambodia and Part of Laos : The Mekong Exploration commission report (1866-1868) –Volume 1 / Francis Garnier

Reprint

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, 2005 [1<sup>st</sup> Edn. 1996]

xxiv, 346 p.: ill.; 21cm.

1 Folded Map

974-8496-73-2

\$ 21.75

[Travels in Cambodia and Part of Laos is the first part of the Mekong Exploration Commission Report (1866-1868), one the most important expeditions sent to the Indo-China region to explore trade routes. The French expedition compiled a wealth of new information, drew up maps, and produced a substantial number of engravings of picturesque views and of colorful local people. This first book contains the report of the Commission's peregrinations in Cambodia and in part of Laos. It ends in Luang Prabang where the Commission stayed some months. While the original objective to ascertain that the Mekong River could be used as a trade route between Yunnan and the Delta was not achieved, the Commission's political and socio-economic information was invaluable for France's expansion in Indochina. A new map of Indochina as surveyed by the Commission is included in this book.]

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Thailand : A Traveller's Companion

3<sup>rd</sup> edition

Bangkok : Asia Books, 2004

176 p.: ill.; 31cm.

981-4155-39-x

\$ 29.90

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A Journey in Burma (1861-1862) / Adolf Bastian

Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2004

ix, 323p.: 21cm.

Adolf Bastian's Travels in South-East Asia : Volume 1

974-4800-58-5

\$ 21.50

[A Journey in Burma (1861-1862), Volume 1 of Adolf Bastian's Travels in South – East Asia, contains the travelogue written by Dr. Adolf Bastian during his journey in Burma. Bastian was a renowned ethnographer, who founded both the ethnological Museum in Berlin and the Berlin Anthropological society. In Burma he insisted on learning Burmese so as to obtain first-hand information about everything that struck his keen interest in the everyday and religious life of various ethnic groups. He traveled through Burma's disputed areas, which were the subject of peace negotiations between the British and the Burmese king, just after the Second Burmese War had ended. Bastian held numerous talks with key British officials. Journeying on the Irrawaddy, he visited small towns and pagodas hidden from travelers to arrive at Pagan's pagoda fields, where he spent time inspecting important monuments.]

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King Bhumibol Strength of the Land  
Thailand : The National Identity Office, 2000  
429p.: ill.; 21cm.  
Includes Bibliography and Index  
974-7772-48-5  
\$ 25.00

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Portraits of Bangkok 222 years  
Bangkok : Department of city planning, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, 2004  
335 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-9565-14-2  
1. Bangkok-pictures  
Bangkok Metropolitan administration  
\$ 25.00

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### **LAW**

Act on Establishment of Administrative Courts and Administrative Court Procedure,  
B.E. 2542 (1999) : Rule of the General Assembly of Judges of the Supreme  
Administrative Court on Administrative Court Procedure, B.E. 2543 (2000)  
S.L. : S.N.  
132 p.; 21cm.  
\$ 10.00

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### **Linguistics**

The History and development of the Shan scripts / Sai Kam Mong  
Thailand : Silkworm books, c2004  
xv, 374 p.: ill.; 23cm.  
Includes Bibliography  
974-9575-50-4  
\$ 29.50

[The book explores the possible origins of the Shan alphabet, citing the wider-ranging opinions of many scholars, and then delves into a careful analysis of the successive stages of the Shan script, from the earliest forms of Lik Hto Ngouk, through Lik Tou Moan and Hkun scripts, noting the problems and idiosyncrasies of each. In addition, it examines the spelling and handling of Pali words within religious writings in each of these scripts and in the Yuan script. Excerpts from early manuscripts are presented as evidence.]

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So (Thavung) dictionary / Suwilai Premsrirat  
Thailand : Institute of Language and Culture for rural Development , Mahidol  
University, 2004  
xvi, 232 p.: 21cm.  
\$ 18.00

[Contents :  
So (Thavung) an Austroasiatic language  
History name and sociolinguistic information  
The language situation in So (Thavung) villages  
So (Thavung) Phonological structure  
Syntactic characteristics of So (Thavung)  
Bibliography  
So (Thavung) Dictionary.]

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Sanskrit in Southeast Asia :The Harmonizing Factor of Cultures  
Proceedings of papers International Sanskrit conference on Sanskrit in Southeast  
Asia : The Harmonizing Factor of Culture  
Bangkok : Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, 2001  
viii, 522 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-641-045-8  
International Sanskrit conference May 21-23, 2001 Bangkok, Thailand  
\$ 25.00

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Nghe an khmu-Vietnamese-Thai-English Dictionary / Suwilai premsrirat, Lo van tuan  
Bangkok : Institute of Language and Culture for Rural development, Mahidol  
University,1998  
xliv, 190 p.: ill.; 27cm.  
974-661-404-5  
\$ 30.00

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### **Literature**

Inthanon : An anthology of Short Stories / Edited by Khunying Maenmas Chavalit  
Bangkok : ASEAN COCI Working group on Literary and ASEAN Studies, 1997  
213 p.: ill.; 23cm.  
974-8066-19-3  
Short Stories, Southeast Asian – collected works.  
\$ 10.00

[Inthanon – an anthology of short stories is the intellectual and aesthetic creation of  
14 ASEAN writers from ASEAN member countries who gathered together for a  
Workshop on short stories writing at the northernmost mountain range of Thailand –  
The Inthanon. This majestic and picturesque mountain is not an indifferent and  
lifeless natural phenomena, but full of life and spiritual forces. Liveliness and moving  
forces exist everywhere at the Inthanon in its mist, trees, water ways, animals and  
move downwards to join the lowland peoples in towns and to became on with them.  
The ASEAN writers who spent a week in the mystic, serene yet full of life and force  
Inthanon, drew inspiration from the natural environment and the hill peoples.]

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The Rice Birds : Folktales from Thailand / Edited and Translated by Christian Velder and Katrin A. Velder  
Bangkok : White Lotus Press, c2003  
xvi, 379 p.; 21cm.  
974-4800-29-1  
\$ 16.50

[The Rice Birds : Folktales from Thailand presents stories of adventurous humans bloodsucking demons, and righteous gods. The tales introduce readers to strange rituals, mysterious visitations, and magic incantations. They offer explanations for many animal traits, for natural disasters, and for the origin of various Thai proverbs. Based on an ancient oral tradition, the tales deal with such archetypal themes as the helpful talking animal, paradise lost and regained, and the struggle between good and evil. Among more than fifty illustrations are depictions of a peculiar tiger-eating monster, a scheming water demon, and two lovely princesses with elephant noses. Also portrayed are the Fairy of Good Fortune; Phra Phrom, a Thai deity with four faces; and even the Buddha on his visits to earth.]

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Fervently Mediating : Criticism from a Thai Perspective : Collected Articles 1982-2004 / Chetana Nagavajara  
Bangkok : Chomanad Press with the support of the Thailand Research Fund (TRF), 2004  
vii, 360 p.: 21cm.  
974-96666-37-2  
\$ 15.00

[As for the function of criticism as a link between the artist and the public, there is an urgent need to secure a rightful place for it in the Thai context. In a society that is barely awakening to the real potential of written culture to which criticism constitutes an integral part, it falls upon critics to have to defend fervently public interests. It is not necessary to emphasize to what extent the public in the information age is being exploited by the media for material gain, and it has sometimes become imperative for criticism to "militate against mediation", as amply demonstrated in the lead article "Fervently Mediating: Criticism between the Artist and the Public".]

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Shadowed country / Pira canning sudham  
Bangkok : Asiashire, 2005  
751 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-91823-0-8  
Book I Monsoon Country Book II The Force of Karma  
\$ 28.50

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Sukhumvit Road / David Young  
Bangkok : Hostage Press International, 2005  
418 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-92636-8-5  
\$ 12.00

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Krait'ong : A Dance – Drama / P'ra Buddha Loet La Nap'ala;ao Rama II  
Thailand : Thammasat University Press,c1981  
35p.: ill.; 21 cm.  
974-571-077-6  
\$ 10.00

[This is the long awaited Krait'ong of P'ra Buddha Loet La Nap'alai or Rama II in Prem Chaya's delectable translation.

Krait'ong tells the story of man who gets two wives for having killed a vicious crocodile. and he goes on to get a third one, this time the widow of the crocodile he has killed.

With magic, humans and animals meet and mate. Winning the crocodile lady, however, proves to be less difficult than getting her accepted by his two wives. In the verbal fight and the actual fray among the women that ensue, the world of magic gives way to realism.]

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Letters from Thailand / Botan [Tr. by Susan F.Kepner]  
Bangkok : Silkworm Books,c2002  
xii, 410 p.; 21cm.  
974-7551-67-5  
\$ 15.00

[This book is the story of Tan Suang U, a young man who leaves China to make his fortune in Thailand at the close of World War II, and ends up marrying, raising a family, and operating a successful business. The novel unfolds through his letters to his beloved mother in china.]

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Another Quiet American : Stories of Life in Laos / Brett Dakin  
Bangkok : Asia Books, c2003  
viii, 279 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-8303-68-3  
\$ 15.00

[This is a first-hand account of a desperately poor country struggling with economic crisis, political instability, and the legacy of war. Above all, it is the story of a young American coming to terms with his country's role in the world at the beginning of a new century.]

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Married to the Demon King / Susan F.Kepner  
Bangkok : Silkworm Books, c2004  
xii, 131 p.: ill.; 18cm.  
Includes Bibliography  
974-9575-58-x  
\$ 13.00

[This is a book about love and marriage in contemporary Thailand "declares the preface of this charming book. The volume is ingeniously built around six short stories called "Tales of the Demon Folk" by Sri Daoruang, one of Thailand's leading fiction characters of the Ramakian, the Thai epic based on the Indian Ramayana, within the Bangkok of today. By re-envisioning their relationships and adventures, she portrays husband and wife relations in Thai society, cloaked in the comforting garments of myth and laced with the kind of humor readers appreciate most-ironic , sarcastic, earthy, and compassionate.]

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My Name Lon You Like Me? : A True Story / Derek Sharron  
Thailand : Bangkok Book House, 2004  
202 p.: ill.; 18cm.  
974-92721-5-3  
\$ 8.50

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The Teachers of Mad Dog Swamp / Khammaan Khonkhai ; Translated by Gehan Wijeyewardene  
Thailand : Silkworm Books,1992  
liii, 322 p.; 18cm.  
974-7047-05-5  
\$ 10.00

A Bestselling novel about provincial life in Northeastern Thailand

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Patpong Road : Untold Story / Adul Tinaphong  
Thailand : Ghaowmai Publications,, c2004  
xiv, 336 p.: ill.;21cm.  
974-92367-2-6  
\$ 10.00

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A Child of the Northeast / Kampon Boontawee [Translated by Susan Fulop Kepner]  
Nonthaburi : Pouyzian Publisher  
477 p.; 21cm.  
974-92815-8-6  
\$ 15.00

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### **Official Publications**

Report of the 2003 Manufacturing Industry Survey : Whole Kingdom  
Thailand : National Statistical Office Ministry of Information and Communication  
Technology, 2004  
170 p.; 29cm.  
974-338-600-9  
\$ 35.00

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Statistical Yearbook Thailand 2003  
Bangkok : National Statistical Office, Ministry of Information and Communication  
Technology, 2004  
481 p.; 27cm.  
974-338-583-5  
\$ 40.00

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The 2004 Health and Welfare Survey  
Bangkok : Economic and social statistics Bureau, National Statistical office, 2004  
495 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-339-159-2  
\$ 50.00

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2003 Agricultural Census : Northern Region  
Bangkok : National Statistical Office Ministry of Information and Communication  
Technology, 2004

132 p.; 29cm.  
974-061-013-7  
\$ 30.00

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2003 Agricultural Census : Bangkok  
Bangkok : National Statistical Office, Ministry of Information and Communication  
Technology, 2004  
131 p.: ill.; 27cm.  
974-338-217-8  
\$ 30.00

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Preliminary Report of the 2004 household socio-economic survey  
Bangkok : Economic and social statistics Bureau, National Statistical Office,2004  
xxv, 85 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-339-256-4  
\$ 20.00

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Report of the exercise behavior survey 2004  
Bangkok : National Statistical office, 2004  
305 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-339-161-4  
\$ 25.00

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Thailand Information and Communication Technology [ICT] Master Plan [2002-2006]  
Bangkok : National Electronics and Computer Technology Center,2003  
82 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-229-544-1  
\$ 10.00

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Report of the 2003 Construction Area  
Bangkok : Ministry of Information and communication technology, 2004  
168 p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-338-743-9  
\$ 18.00

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### **Politics**

Dislocating Nation – States : Globalization in Asia and Africa / Edited by Patricio N.  
Abinales, Ishikawa Noboru, Tanabe Akio  
Kyoto : Kyoto University Press, & [Trans Pacific Press, Victoria], c2005  
ix, 289 p.; 24cm.  
Includes Index.  
Kyoto Area Studies on Asia : Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University :  
Volume 12  
1-92090-107-8  
ISSN : 1445-9663  
\$ 77.00

[Contents :

1. Introduction : Dislocating Nation – States / Patricio N. Abinales  
Part 1 : States Under Stress
2. The Asian Crisis reconsidered / Takashi Shiraishi
3. In the wake of globalization : Political stresses in South Asia / Achin Vanaik

4. Globalization, Hegemony and the state in Bangladesh / Amena Mohsin
  5. Marginalization, globalization and state transformation in Africa / Letitia Lawson
  6. Forecasting failure in Southeast Asia : Burma since the 1990s / Mary P. Callahan
  - Part II : Society in Flux
  7. Between autochthony and diaspora : Indians in the "New" south Africa / Thomas Blom Hansen
  8. Recapturing the City : Everyday life practices of Maragoli Migrants in Nairobi / Motoji Matsuda
  9. Producing a national boundary at the margin of the state : A Case from Sarawak, East Malaysia / Noboru Ishikawa
  10. Globalization and religious conversion in Lamu, Kenya / Kazuo Ohtsuka
  11. Presentable ethnicity : constituting Mien in Contemporary Thailand / Hjorleifur Jonsson
  - Part III : Prospects
  12. Geopolitical cleavage of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century : What future for the World? / Immanuel Wallerstein
  13. Conclusion : States under stress, society in flux / Akio Tanabe
- Index.]

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Social Justice, Democracy and Alternative Politics: An Asian-European Dialogue (Papers and reports from an international seminar in honour of Mr Pridi Banomyong's Centenary, May 2000) / Edited by Ramu Manivannan  
 Bangkok : Spirit in Education Movement : Sathirakoses-Nagapradipa Foundation : Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, 2001  
 177 p.; 20cm.  
 9742601739  
 US\$ 20.00

[The May 2000 conference at Ayadhaya celebrated the centenary of the birth of Pridi Bononyong (1900-1982), the "founder" of Thai democracy and liberating leader of the country 1945-47 who spent the last 36 years of his life in exile. Pridi Bononyong's ideas and ideals were the springboard for these 12 conference papers with discussion notes which explore Asian and European perspectives on cultural values, social justice democracy, national development and Europe/Asia dialogue.]

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Thailand in Crisis : A Study of the Political Turmoil of May 1992 / Khien theeravit  
 Bangkok : The Thailand Research Fund and The Institute of Asian Studies Chulalongkorn University, 1997  
 v, 135 p.; ill; 21cm  
 974-636-954-7  
 1.Thailand – Politics and Government ---1992  
 I. Chulalongkorn University. Institute of Asian Studies II. Title  
 \$ 10.00

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Violence in the mist : Reporting on the presence of pain in southern Thailand / Supara Janchitfah  
 Bangkok : Kobfai Publishing Project,2005  
 282 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
 974-7799-47-2  
 \$ 10.00

[Violence in the Mist is important precisely because it refuses to take violence as normality, or to allow it to shield the faces of those who fall, or to regard those killed as "just another victim". It takes us into the homes of people who have lost their family members to speak about the people who died and continue to live, and to question standard explanations about different incidents. Instead of accepting official stories told by those with duties to tell, it shares with us stories of ordinary people, how they live, love, pray, and care for their young ones. In short, Violence in the Mist shines with clarity how human the faceless people whose stories one reads in the news about violence in the South are.]

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Thai politics : Global and Local perspectives / Edited by Michael H.Nelson  
Bangkok : King Prajadhipok's Institute,2004

638 p.: ill.; 21cm.

King Prajadhipok's Institute Year book No.2 (2002/03)

974-449-089-6

- 1.Thailand – Politics and government
  2. Local Government – Thailand
  3. Local Government – Southeast Asia
- \$ 25.00

[This book looks at Thai politics from a comparative viewpoint. In an "era of globalization", no country's social life exists in isolation. Jurgen Ruland et al. analyze whether the legislatures of Thailand, inclusiveness; Savitiri Gadavanji dela with linguistic aspects o Thai no-confidence debates; Jorn Dosch considers the impact of globalization on the international politics of Southeast Asia. and Michael H.Nelson asks what effect world society has on the construct of Thainess. In a special section on decentralization in Southeast Asia, Paul hutchcroft analyzes the political dynamics behind the 1991 Local Governmetn Code of the Philippines: Robin Biddulph reports on the first commune elections of Cambodia in 2002; Marco Bunte describes Indonesia's "Big Bang" decentralization and initial experiences during 2001/2002; Suthi Gantrakul and Walter scholl take a look at modern service delivery in the city of Phitsanulok; and Douglas Webster suggests that Thailand's decentralization efforts should concentrate on provincial administrative organizations and sector specific borards.]

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The Thaksinization of Thailand / Duncan McCargo and Ukrist Pathmanand

Denmark : NIAS Press [Nordic Institute of Asian Studies], c2005

vii, 277 p.; 21cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

87-91114-46-2

\$ 15.00

[This book – by two leading scholars in the field – examines Thaksin's background, his business activities, the emergence of Thai Rak Thai, his relationship with the military, Thaksin's use of rhetoric through media such as radio, his wider political economy network, and what this all means for the future.]

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### **Religion – Islam**

The Life of This World : Negotiated Muslim Lives in Thai Society / Chaiwat Satha-Anand

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish Academic, c2005

xvi, 200 p.; 22cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.  
981-210-355-4  
Islam in Asia Series  
\$ 20.00

[This book focuses on the way in which Muslims in predominantly non-Muslim Thailand have to constantly "negotiate" and "renegotiate" their lives as a minority group. Challenges to their faith and their identity as Muslims abound in Thai society, and through various means of negotiation, Muslims strive to maintain their links to society at the local, national and global levels.]

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### **Sociology**

Dynamic Diversity in Southern Thailand / Edited by Wattana Sugunnasil  
Chiang Mai : Silkworm Books & [Prince of Songkla University], c2005  
x, 333 p.; 22cm.  
974-9575-82-2  
\$ 25.00

[Although southern Thailand is a dynamic and diverse region socially, politically, and economically, it had received comparatively little attention until the recent escalation of violence and instability. While the articles in this collection were written before this period of crisis, the issues they probe reveal some of the enduring features of this unique border region and provide a backdrop for the present unrest.

The twelve articles making up this volume examine a wide range of social, political, and economic issues in Southern Thailand, focusing on particular questions such as : Is Islam compatible with Thai nationalism and the ideals of the Thai State? What features make southern Thai political unique? What are some social consequences of top-down development projects in the South? How has subregional development affected southern Thailand? To what extent are women involved in community development in the south? Other articles investigate the consumption practices in a rural border community, the nang talung shadow puppet theater, the Hat Yai Vegetarian Festival, the feminization of nora spirit mediumship, a Dhamma walk around Lake Songkhla to highlight ecological concerns, the social relationship network of the Baba Chinese business community in Phuket, and the cultural construction of a Thai community across the border in Kelantan.

The wide range of issues and ideas presented in this collection reveal the unique character of the region and the variety of cultures that contribute to its dynamic diversity.]

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A Memoir of Burmese Workers :From Slaves Labour to illegal migrant workers / Edited by Subhatra Bhumiprabhas and Adisorn Kerdmongkol ;Compiler Myint Wai  
Bangkok : Thai Action Committee for Democracy in Burma (TACDB), 2004  
148 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-92283-6-7  
\$ 12.00

The stories of migrant workers' lives are often covered by the dark shadow of prejudice as workers are prone to be taken advantage of by others. An analysis of migrant workers' problems can lead to alternative solutions towards appropriate and sustainable care of migrant workers in Thai society. This should be based on the

ideas of equity, non-discrimination, friendship, and sincerity that lead to the dismantling of xenophobic suspicions that only worsen the situation.]

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Bangkok : Formes du commerce et evolution urbaine / Davisi Boontharm  
Bangkok : Editions Recherches/Ipraus,2005  
381 p.: ill.; 29cm.  
2-86222-052-3  
In French  
\$ 55.00

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### **Travel Writing**

Down the rat hole : Adventures underground on Burma's Frontiers / Edith Mirante  
Bangkok : Orchid Press, c2005  
188 p.: ill.; 21 cm.  
974-524-050-8  
\$ 21.75

[A new memoir of the author's journeys among the brave indigenous peoples of some of Asia's most remote the violent regions. Knowledgeably obsessed with Burma's struggle for freedom, American artist / activist Mirante breaks laws and infiltrates borders, in impassioned journeys of discovery that take her through China, India, Laos and chaotic Bangladesh. Down the Rat Hole is a wild and exotic headlong plunge into a hidden world of guerrilla warfare, heroin and jade trading, the AIDS pandemic, rainforest destruction, strikes and rioting, and one of the worst natural disasters of the century.]

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The Native Tourist : A Holiday Pilgrimage in Myanmar / Ma Thanegi  
Bangkok : Silkworm books, c2004  
x, 209p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-9575-62-8  
\$ 12.00

[This is the delightful story of an eighteen-day local bus pilgrimage to sixty pagodas across Myanmar. As the author settles into her bus seat, the aisle' blocked with luggage, she trains our eyes on the collection of characters that, like it or not, will be her traveling companions for the whirlwind tour. This native tourist amuses us with her adventures of eating at roadside cafes, climbing up pagodas, bathing in rivers, shopping at markets, and sleeping on temple floors. Along the journey, she encounters deeply rooted cultural values and develops camaraderie with strangers that become like family for the duration of her travels.]

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Beyond the Pancake Trench : Road tales from the wild East / Tom Vater  
Bangkok : Orchid Press, c2004  
182 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-524-047-8  
\$ 21.75

[Vater's observations on the human condition, as he experiences it firsthand along the less tourist-beaten paths of South and Southeast Asia, result in a no-holds barred account of life in the region, distinctly as not described in the glossy brochures. Figuratively and often literally far removed from the glittering urban



centers and pampering resorts the images of Asia that occur to many- the author presents a keen-eyed vision of the region's underbelly. Vater observes and records the stories of the hunters and their prey, the marginalized and the mad, from among desperate locals and foreign interlopers alike. For all who seek a better understanding of the realities- and surreal ties- of the region, but definitely not for the faint of heart.]

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### **Women's Studies**

Thai women / Edited by David Lambertson, Prof. Vichin Panupong  
Thailand : The National Commission on Women's Affairs, Office of the Prime Minister, 1993  
216p.: ill.; 31cm.  
974-7773-38-4  
\$ 40.00

[Contents :

Chapter 1 : Her Majesty Queen Sirikit of Thailand  
Chapter 2 : Thailand and the Heritage of Thai women  
Chapter 3 : Thai women and the first phase of modernization  
Chapter 4 : Thai women and the second phase of modernization  
Chapter 5 : Royal ladies of the present era of Thailand  
Chapter 6 : Examples of decorated women active in community service  
Chapter 7 : Some prominent Government officials and women leaders in the provinces  
Chapter 8 : National problems and future roles of Thai women  
References  
Editorial Board.]

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A Collection of Articles on Domestic Violence in Thailand / Edited by Virada Somswasdi and Kathleen Corrigan  
Thailand : Women's Studies center Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiang Mai University, 2004  
127 p.: ill.; 21cm.  
974-658-257-7  
\$ 10.00

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**Talking about Taboos** : Asia-Pacific women reflect on issues of sexuality  
Summary report of study workshop on sexuality and violence against Women : Access to Justice and Asia-Pacific consultation with the UN special rapporteur on violence against women 25-28 July 2004 Jakarta, Indonesia  
Indonesia : Asia Pacific forum on women, Law and Development [APWLD], Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development [Forum-Asia], 2004  
167p.: ill.; 27cm.  
974-92670-3-6  
\$ 20.00

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Women and Men : Moving towards a partnership of equals in Development / Maytinee Bhongsvej  
Bangkok : Gender and Development Research Institute [GDRI]  
42 p.: ill.; 25cm.  
\$ 10.00

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