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# The Twenty Fourth Annual Conference on South Asia

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#### Friday, October 20

Registration, Lowell Hall, Main Lounge 8:30 a.m. 9:00-11:00 am. **Panel Sessions** 11:00-1:15 p.m. Lunch Break 1:15-3:00 p.m. Panel Sessions **Panel Sessions** 3:00-3:15 p.m. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Social Hour, Lowell Hall, Main Lounge Area, Cash Bar All Conference Dinner, Lowell Hall, 6:00-7:15 p.m. Dining Room **Keynote Address** 7:15 p.m. Friday Evening Special Event 8:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, October 21

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Social Hour, Lowell Hall, Main Lounge, Coffee, tea, donuts

8:30-10:00 a.m.

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#### **Conference Information**

Please Note: A copy of the program book is provided with each paid registration. Remember to bring it with you to the Conference - replacement programs are \$2.00.

Conference Registration: All participants and attendees are expected to register, including students.

The pre-registration rate for panelists is \$50 (\$15 for student). The same rate applies to participants who register in advance before October 1. Registration rates after that date and at the door are \$55 for regular registration and \$20 for students. Conference materials are available at the registration desk in the main lounge area of Lowell Hall.

Abstracts: "Abstracts of Papers Presented at the 24th Annual Conference on South Asia" is available for \$7.00 in the Conference Office, 115 Lowell Hall.

Panels are presented in both Lowell Hall and the Wisconsin Center. For panels scheduled in the Wisconsin Center be sure to check the monitor in the lobby to confirm locations.

The Conference Office is Room 115 Lowell Hall. The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. To 5:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. On Sunday.

A message board is available near the registration desk at Lowell Hall throughout the Conference.

A note on All-Conference meals: Tickets for the All-Conference Dinner and Lunch were available with pre-registration. A small supply will also be on sale, on a first-come, first-served basis, on Friday morning in the Conference Office. If you have a pre-purchased ticket but decided not attend, we regret we are unable to exchange or sell your tickets for you. You may use the message board in the main lobby for that purpose.

Shuttle service is provided between the Friederick Center and Lowell Hall at key times. Check the Conference Office at Lowell or the main desk at Friederick for departure times.

Audio-Visual equipment problems should be reported immediately to the Conference Office at Lowell Hall or the main desk at the Wisconsin Center.

Video-tapes from a variety of sources are available for viewing in rooms 116 and 117 Lowell Hall throughout the Conference. They may be checked out at the Conference Office, 115 Lowell Hall.

The Center for South Asia is located at 226 Ingraham Hall, Observatory Drive, Madison, WI, 53706. Our email address is sasianctr@macc.wisc.edu. Telephone inquires can be made to 608/262-4884, or faxes can be sent to 608/265-3062.

#### **Association Meetings:**

Nepal Studies Association, Saturday, October 21, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Lower Lounge.

CONSALD, Thursday, October 19, 9:00 a.m., 118 Lowell Hall.

Independent Scholars of South Asia (ISOSA), Saturday, October 21, board meeting, 5:30-6:30 p.m.; general meeting 6:30-7:30 p.m., 118 Lowell Hall.

#### Pre-Conference, Thursday, October 19

1:00-3:00 p.m.

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World Wars and Some Interwar Consequences

Chair: Douglas Peers, University of Calgary

"With the Empires Fighters:" India's Armed Forces in Imperial Propaganda during the First World War

Martin Wainwright, University of Akron

The Esher Report: A New View

Mark Jacobsen, USMC Staff College, Arlington, Virginia

"Wogs in the Mess:" The Introduction of Indian Officers into the Colonial Indian Army, 1919-1947

Pradeep Barua

Co-option and Control - The Role of the Colonial Army in India

Namrata Narain, Philadelphia, PA

#### 3:15 to 5:15 p.m.

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The "Martial Races" and Military Collaboration in Colonial India 118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Chandar Sundaram, McGill University

Orientalism and Inventing Traditions: The Intellectual Underpinnings of the Martial Races Ideology
Chandar Sundaram, McGill University

Colonial Classification: Martial Race Handbooks as Ethnological Project

Mary Des Chene, Bryn Mawr College

Colonial Constructions of Honour in Marital Traditions
Pradip Dhillon, University of Illionois-ChampagneUrbana

Friday, October 20 Session 1, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Writing on the Body: Inscriptions of Nation, Progress, and Community on the Gendered Subject
Lower Lounge, Lowell Hall

Chair: Marian Aguiar, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

At the "Cutting Edge" of History: Subaltern Bodies as the Sites of Liberalization, Globalization and Resistance Raza Mir, University of Massachusetts-Amherst War and Roses; Nation, Woman and the Bourgeois Gentleman: A Political Story

Rini Bhattacharya, University of Massachusetts-

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Diaspora, Community, and the Cinematic Female Body:
Negotiating the Cultural Narratives of Immigrant Communities
Goldie Osuri, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
The Autobiographic Body: Constructions on the Self in the
Writings of Kamala Das and Meena Alexander
Marian Aguiar, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Women and Crafts, Textiles and Trade B1A Lowell Hall

Chair: Donald Clay Johnson, University of Minnesota

Foreign Markets, Home Production: the Kashmiri Shawl in the 19th Century

Lotus Stack, Minneapolis Institute of Art The Gujarati Textile Tradition

Donald Clay Johnson, University of Minnesota Women's Crafts and Commercialization

Abigail McGowan, League of New Hampshire Craftsmen

Discussant: Susan S. Bean, Peabody Museum of Salem

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The Place of War and the Military in South Asian History 118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Dewitt Ellinwood, SUNY at Albany

Richard Barnett, University of Viringia Rajesh Kandian, Independent Scholar Robert Frykenberg, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Locating the Diaspora and the Subcontinental in a Global Circuit 138 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Lamia Karim, Rice University

Gendered Meanings: Taslima Nasreen and Immigrant-Female Consciousness

Lamia Karim, Rice University
The Diasporan and the Tribal Subaltern: Tracing A
Transnational Circuit of South Asian Subject Formation
Nityanand Deckha, Rice University
Reading Collage History and the Disjunctures in Identity in
Amitav Ghosh's Shadow Lines
Mousumi Roy Chowdhury, Rice University

Purifying the Mind (blo sbyong): Theory and Application of a Buddhist Psychological Praxis

226 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Geshe Lhundup Sopa, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Calm and Clean: On Samapatti, Arupya-dhyana, and Fulfilling the Marga

Dan Lusthaus, Macalester College
Buddhism, Human Nature, and the Origins of Evil
William Waldron, Indpendent Scholar
The Translation of Lodro Thaye's Commentary on Mind
Training

Robin Kornman, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Tending the Flowers of Hatred: The Uses of Anger in Mental Purification

Michael Sweet, University of Wisconsin-Madison Discussant: John Makransky, Boston College

Friday, October 20 Session 1, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

From the Colonial Archive and Development Rhetorics to Renunciant Thought: Heterogeneous Discourses of Gender in India 311 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Kathryn March, Cornell University

Struck Out if Considered Befitting: Women's Speech in the Colonial Archive

Gloria Goodwin Raheja, University of Minnesota Towards a Better Way of Life: Contested Representations of Rural Women, Tradition, and Progress Within the Community Development Era

Kim Berry, Cornell University
Interpreting and Negotiating Gandhian Village and "Official"
Discourse of Womanhood: Experiences From Lakshmi
Ashram

Rebecca Klenk, University of Washington
Woman as Evil, Gender as Irrelevant: Contradictory
Discourses of Gender in Renunciant Thought
Meena Khandelwal, University of Virginia
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Historical Dimensions of Wildlife Management in India 313 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Edward Haynes, Winthrop College

Shikar Regulation in the Princely States of Eastern Rajasthan Edward Haynes, Winthrop College

Gir National Park: A Historical Retrospect Shishar Rawal, North Carolina State University

The Evolution of India's National Park System Richard Tucker, Oakland University

Discussant 1: Vasant Saberwal, Yale University

Discussant 2: Paul Greenough, University of Iowa

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Future of South Asian Studies in a Borderless World 314 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Ashakant Nimbark, Dowling College

The "Borderless World" and "Sociology of India"

Joseph Elder, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Boundaries and Differences in Feminist Approaches to South

Asian Studies

Leela Fernandez, Rutgers University
South Asian Studies in the Twenty First Century: By Whom?
For Whom? What for?

Robert Goldman, University of California-Berkeley

Discussant 1: Ashakant Nimbark, Dowling College Discussant 2: Ainslie Embree, Columbia University

Living in America
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Chair: Roshni Rustomji, Sonoma State University

Love, Stars and All That
Kirin Narayan, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Creating; Recreating and Retelling
Usha Nilsson, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Saleem Pegradina, Signa Heights College
Panna Naik, University of Pennsylvania

Lunch - 11:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. (On your own).

Indian Cinema, the State, and Questions of Modernity Lower Lounge, Lowell Hall

Chair: Lalitha Gopalan, Georgetown University

Riotous Love Stories: Rathnam's *Bombay* and Chopra's 1942 Lalitha Gopalan, Georgetown University Sanitary Subjects: A Reading of Indian Modernity and Indian Cinema

Sandhya Shetty, University of New Hampshire The Endurance of Nargis: Stardom and Muslim Identity in Bombay Cinema

Parama Roy, University of California-Riverside

Recent Archaeological Research at Vijayanagara (to 5:00 p.m.)
Chair: Carla M. Sinopoli, University of Michigan

Fortifications in the Environs of Pre-colonial Vijayanagara and the Infrastructure of Imperial Control

Robert P. Brubaker, University of Michigan Vijayanagara and the Commodity Economy: Porecelain as an Indicator of International Trade

Janice Bailey-Goldschmidt, University of Michigan Contemporary Pollen Spectra and Their Relevance for Vijayanagara Land Use

Jennifer Lundal and Kathleen D. Morrison, University of Michigan

Patterns of Vijayanagara Land Use: Implications for Regional Models

Kathleen D. Morrison, University of Michigan A Complex of Sites in the Southern Metropolitain Region of Vijayanagara

Michael F. Dega, University of Michigan Brickmaking: Ethnoarchaeological Research and Archaeological Implications in the Vijayanagara Metropolitan Region

Lars Fogelin, University of Michigan

Historical Roots of Contemporary Confilcts
118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Stephen P. Cohen, University of Illinois at Urbana

Reflections on Indian Strategic History
Arun Singh, Former Indian Minister
Historical and Geographical Roots of the Kashmir Crisis
Joseph Schwartzberg, University of Minnesota
Reconsideratinos and Future Policies
Richard Sisson, Ohio State University
Disarmament and International Security
Devin Hagerty, University of Illinois at Urbana

Diasporic Power: Emergent Indian American Politics in a Global Economy

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Chair: Kaushik Ghosh, Princeton University

A Room of One's Own: Drawing Boundaries of the New Immigrant Community

Biju Mathew, Rider University

The Marginal Voice: Who Counts in this Diaspora?

Rangan Chakravarty, New School for Social Research

The Professional and the Fascist: Two Faces of the Immigrant Identity

Rahul De, University of Western Illinois

Linking Up: The South Asian Global Networks
Sangeeta Kamat, University of Pittsburgh

Recent Studies in Indo-Tibetan Buddhism 226 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Jose Cabezon, Iliff School of Theology

Selected Problems in Doctrines and Praxis of Mahayana Buddhahood

John Makransky, Boston College

Syncretism and Tradition in the Kalacakra Tantra John Newman, New College

Apropos of Two Biographies of Vanaratna Leonard van der Kuijp, University of Washington-Seattle

The Nature and Origins of a Mahamudra "Corpus" Roger Jackson, Carleton College

The Tibetan Colophon

Jose Cabezon, Iliff School of Theology

Multiple Selves, Multiple Societies: Dialogic Approaches to Self and Society

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Chair: Mattison Mines, University of California-Santa Barbara

Where do I Belong: Towards a Dialogic Sense of Self Mattison Mines, University of California-Santa Barbara

Telling the Village: Multiple Makings of Self, Other, and *Ur*Diane Paull Mines. Washington University

Inside/Outside: Middle-Class Identity and Public Space in Kathmandu

Mark Liechty, University of California-Santa Barbara Images and Negotiations of Self and Other in Domestic Service Narratives

Sara Dickey, Bowdoin College

Discussant 1: Sylvia J. Vatuk, Univesity of Illinois at Chicago

Analyzing State/Local Relations and Explaining Local Institutional Change: Examples from Grazing Forest and Irrigation Resource Systems in the Western Himalaya
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Chair: Mark Baker, University of California-Berkeley

Access to Grazing Resources Among the Gaddi of Himachal Pradesh, India

Vasant Saberwal, Yale University
Small is Beautiful, But Is Larger Better? Forest Management
Institutions in Kumaon Himalayas, India

Arun Agrawal, University of Florida Changing Contexts, Steady Flows: Patterns of Institutional Change within the Communal Irrigiation Systems (Kuhls) of Kangra Valley, H.P., India

Mark Baker, University of California-Berkeley Discussant: Richard Tucker, University of Michigan

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Shuchi Kapila, Cornell University
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Mousumi Roy Choudhuri, Rice University
The Female Body All Over India: Mahasweta Devi's Imaginary
Maps

Jennifer Wenzel, University of Texas-Austin "There Are No Women in the Third World": Displacing Gender in Sara Suleri's *Meatless Days*Rashmi Verma, University of Illinois-Chicago

Bangladesh 1995: Unfinished Revolution Revisited 314 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Zillur Khan, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Resource Devolopment at the Micro-level: The Role of Basic Education and Literacy

A. Noor, World Bank

Higher Education in Bangladesh: A Case Study

S. Rashid, University of Illionois-Champaign-Urbana

Values, Leadership and Education

Zillur Khan, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Revolution and Reforms

Tazeen Murshid, Oxford University

Discussant 1: Minoo Adenwalla, Lawrence University

Discussant 2: Syed Hussain, University of Wisconsin-

Oshkosh

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Technologies of Imagination in Contemporary South Asia Lower Lounge, Lowell Hall

Chair: Itty Abraham, Social Science Research Council

Inverting India: Reading Roja in Film and Fantasy
Lalitha Gopalan, Georgetown University and Itty
Abraham, Social Science Research Council
Chasing Miracles: Postcolonial Identity and Mimesis in Sri
Lanka

Sankaran Krishna, University of Hawai'i at Manoa What's Left of the Hindu Right Agenda? The National Imaginary in An Era of Globalization

Arvind Rajagopal, Purdue University Discussant: Shelly Feldman, Cornell University

Western Perspectives on Sikhism 118 Lowell Hall

Chair: N. Gerald Barrier, University of Missouri-Columbia

A Critique of Early European Accounts of the Sikhs
Pashaura Singh, University of Michigan
John Malcolm's Sketch of the Sikhs

Louis E. Fenech, University of Northern Iowa British Cultural Policy and Sikhism: The Case of Trumpp and Macauliffe

N. Gerald Barrier, University of Missouri-Columbia W.H. McLeod and his Sikh Critics: Knowledge/Power/Representation

Verne A. Dusenbery, Hamline University
Discussant: Arthur W. Helweg, Western Michigan University

Recent Research on the South Asian Diaspora 138 Wisconsin Center

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Rebellion through Meditation: The Sikh Dharma in Mexico J. Edward Dixon, University of Wisconsin-Madison American Born Confused Deshis and Their Indian Grandparents

Jacqueline Conrath

Dancing to the Beat of a Different Drummer: Bhangra Music in New York City

Tejaswini Ganti, New York University

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William Reese, University of California at San Diego Sir William Jones and the Development of the English and **Indian Constitutions** 

Geoffrey Cook, Berkeley, CA

Friendship Across Cultures: Lessons from the Relationship of G.H. Hardy and A.K. Ramanujan

Mathew Zachariah, University of Calgary

Of Outlaws: Notes on Narrating 'Industry' and 'Criminality' in Tamilnadu

Sundar Kali, Madurai, Tamilnadu

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Agha Shahid Ali, University of Massachusetts-**Amherst** 

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Ravina Aggarwal, Smith College

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John Metz, Northern Kentucky University

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Forest Reproduction in Subalpine Forests of Khumbu Barbara Brower, Portland State University

Fish Ecology in Nepal's Gandaki River Basin David Edds, Emporia State University

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J.R. David Smith, University of MinnesotaMinneapolis

Population and Habitat of the Saurus Crane in Nepal's Tarai Pratima Shrestha, New Mexico State University

South Asian Cultural Geography 314 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Bheru Sukhwal, University of Wisconsin-Platteville

The Materiality of Ethnicity: Hindus and Their Temples in the Nineteenth Century Diaspora

Carolyn V. Prorok, Slippery Rock University

Population Density and Deforestation in Nepal Mohan V. Shrestha, Bowling Green State University

The Ti. Dairies of the Toda: The Nilgiri Hills of Tamil Nadu William A. Noble, University of Missouri

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Female Identity and Intertextuality in Tagore's Novels
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Julie King, University of Wisconsin-Parkside
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Discourse of Negation: Vaidehi's "Sakuntala Yondige Kaleda
Aparahna" As a Subversive "Revision" of Kalidasa's
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Jyoti Panjwani, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Social Hour (no host bar)

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Main Lounge Area, Lowell Hall

### All Conference Dinner 6:00-7:15 p.m. Lowell Hall Dining room

Pre-purchased dinner tickets only. Please display your dinner ticket near your coffee cup at your place setting. Tickets will be collected as dinner is served. Wine service is available upon request

Welcome and introductory remarks by Robert Frykenberg Conference Chair

Presentation to Geshe Sopa of a Festschrift prepared in his honor, *Tibetan Literature: Studies in Genre*, by it's coeditors, Jose I. Cabezon and Roger Jackson

The Center for South Asia presents:

a special invited lecture by

Judith Brown

Beit Professor of Imperial History, Oxford

7:30 p.m., Lowell Hall Dining Room open to all

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Indian Dance at the Crossroads with Anne-Marie Gaston Lata Pada Mekhala Abu-Lughod 8:45 p.m., Murphy Recital Hall Saturday, October 21 Session 4, 8:15 -10:00 a.m.

Sanskrit and Related Studies
Lower Lounge, Lowell Hall

Chair: Gautam Vajracharya, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Magic and Medicine in the Vedas

Ken Zysk, New York University

Vedic Axis Mundi and Asokan Pillar

Gautam Vajracharya, University of Wisconsin

Redeath and Rebirth in Late Vedic Texts

Hans Hock, University of Illinois-Urbana

Recent Research on Early and Late Modern Indian History
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Chair: James Heimann, University of Copenhagen

The Rule of Law and Dharma in Early 19th Century South Indian Villages: Fines and Panchayat adjudications recorded in the Yelandur Kaditas

James Heimann, University of Copenhagen and Neelambar Hatti, Lund University

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Matthew Allen, University of Oklahoma

The Religious Self and Its Representation: Reflections on Auto-Biograhical Practice and Meaning in Colonial India 118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Frank F. Conlon, University of Washington-Seattle

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Autobiographical Writings

Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College Auto/Biography and Representation of Religous Revival in 19th Century Maharastra: The Case of Vishnubawa Brahmachari

Frank Conlon, University of Washington-Seattle Discussant, Tony Stewart, North Carolina State University

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Perspectives from the "Frontier"
Auditorium

Chair: C.S. Haines, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Etching the state upon the Landscape: Routes and the Frontierization of the Gilgit Region

C.S. Haines, University of Wisconsin-Madison Making the Assamese "Frontier": What "Frontier" is it Anyway?

S. Yasmin Saikia, University of Wisconsin-Madison The Social Categories of a Frontier

Shah Mehmoud Hanifi, University of Michigan Discussant: Richard Eaton, University of Arizona

Issues in the Cultural Geography of Indian Lesbigay Space: Identities, Movements, Interactions (8:15 a.m. to noon)
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Chair: Chandra Balachandran, North Dakota State University

Desiring/Risking Perversion: Theorizing My Queer South Asian Body

Aneil Rallin, Ohio State University

Some Indian Lesbian Images

Shabari Kumar, Columbia University

Coming Out in the Diasporic Context: Indian American Stories

Pallassanna Balgopal and Niranjan Karnik, University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana

Cultural Geography of Khush: A Cybernetic Place for South Asian Lesbigay Interactions

Chandra Balachandran, North Dakota State University

Roundtable Discussion: A Question of Place: Perspectives on South Asian Lesbigay Diasporic Place-Experience

Chair: Chandra Balachandran, North Dakota State University

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Nationalism in the Maldives: A Historical Perspective

212 Wisconsin Center

Chair: David Kopf, University of Minnesota

Sixteenth-century Nationalism in an Indian Ocean Nation State

Rasheeda M. Didi, Temple University

Joining the Global Village: Nationalism, Internationalism and

Shenandoah U (Communications in the Maldives)

Elizabeth Colton, Winchester, VA

The History of Nationalism and the Nation-State in the Maldive Islands

David Kopf, University of Minnesota Ritual Politics, Islamic Identity and Island Nationalism Sudeshna Baksi-Lahiri

Discussant: Zillur Khan, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Negotiating Modernity with Bodies: Hinduism and "Revivalism" in North India, 1875-Present

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Chair: Valerie Ritter, University of Washington-Seattle

Blurring the Line Between Women and Commodities: The Power of Objects in Dowry Narratives

Rachel Meyer, University of Texas-Austin Swadeshi Science and the Pradox of a "Modern" Medical Revivalism, 1876-1952

Kristy Bright, University of California-Santa Cruz
The Dis-Embodiment of the Beloved: Hariaudi's *Priyapravaas*and the Revision of *Bhakti* 

Valerie Ritter, University of Washington-Seattle
The Origins of *Baroari Puja* in Calcutta and the Construction
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Lean Renold, University of Texas-Austin
Gandhian Hinduism and the Hindu Resurgence of the
Nineties: A Restrospective Evaluation

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Peter J. Claus, California State University-Hayward The Place/Plight of the Beholder When "There is just no perspective in the Indian pictorial space..."

Kirtana Thangavelu, University of California-Berkeley Vertical, Laternal, Secular and Sacral: Hindukush Houses in Conception and Use

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Kavita Philip, Cornell University

Controlling Nature: The Developmentalist State and the Management of Ecological Limits

Subir Sinha, Northwestern University

Ecofeminism and the Essential Woman: Women and Nature in the Environment Debate in India

Shubhra Gururani, Syracuse University

Discussant: Paul Greenough, Univeristy of Iowa

State Elections in India: 1995

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Chair: Paul Wallace, University of Missouri-Columbia

Ascendence to Power and the Changing Nature of BJP Politics

Pramod Kantha, University of Missouri-Columbia "Laloo Does It!" Consolidation of Backward Class Leadership in Bihar: An Analysis of 1995 Election to the State Legislature

Binoy Prasad, University of Missouri-Columbia State Elections in Orissa, 1995

Sharada Rath, Utkal University

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Chair: Naseem Hines

Striking a Balance: The Home Coming Episode in Maulana Daud's Indo-Sufi masnavi 'Candayan'

Naseem Hines, University of Washington-Seattle Remembered Expressions and Imaginative Longings: Mystical Experience and *Qawwali* Music

Sharilee Mehera Johnston, University of Texas-Austin Person and Presence in the North Indian *Kirtan* and Epic Dhola

Chaise LaDousa, Syracuse University

Saturday, October 21 Session 5, 10:15-12:00 noon

Variation in Hindi, Panel 1 Lower Lounge, Lowell Hall

Chair: Manindra Verma, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Variation in Predicate Form, Case and Constituent Structure
Alice Davidson, University of Iowa
Can Different Patters of Syntactic Preferences be Detected in the Works of Hindi Writers of "Eastern" vs. "Western"
Origin?

Colin Masica, University of Chicago Internally Conditioned Morphological Variation in Hindi Michael Shapiro, University of Washington-Seattle Saturay, October 21 Session 5, 10:15 a.m. to noon

Narratives of Colonization: History and Genre in South Asia 118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Parna Sengupta, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

History, Narrative, and Early Modern India
Rama Mantena, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
Writing Europe, Narrating Body: German Missionary
Narratives from Tranquebar

Gita Rajan, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor Petitions and Parliament: Narratives of British Middle-Class Evangelism

Parna Sengupta, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor Narrating the Self: Caste, Violence, and the (Im)possibility of Autobiography

Discussant: Nicholas Dirks, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

The Incarceration of the Local Within the Global: Systems of Power, Production and Signification in the Indian Experience B1A Lowell Hall

Chair: Satish Kolluri, University of Massachusetts

"Sounds of Silence": Female Feticide and the Use of Technology

Raza A. Mir, University of Massachusetts
Technology and the Third World: The Redefinition of Space
and Place

Ali H. Mir and Maya K. Yajnik, University of Massachusetts

Nuclear Signs, Nuclear Times: Strategizing the Politics of Signification

Satish K. Kolluri, University of Massachusetts "Siting" Visuals as Transcultural Logic: Global Advertising and (Neo)colonial Imagery

Sangeeta V. Rao, University of Massachusetts

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Religion, Nationalism, and Secularism in Sri Lanka 212 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Tessa Bartholomeusz, Florida State University

Pushing *Poson*: Power and a Buddhist Pilgrimage in Postcolonial Sri Lanka

Jonathan S. Walters, Whitman College
The Third Eelam War: A Battle of Identities
Chandra R. DeSilva, Indiana State University
The Clash of "Selves" and "Secularisms" in Contemporary Sri
Lanka

Tessa Batholomeusz, Florida State University
Costumes and Post Colonial Identity in Sri Lanka
Darlene Hantzis, Indiana State University
Discussant: Tessa Bartholomeusz, Florida State University

Omnibus Issues in Buddhism 215 Wisconsin Center

Chair: James Blumenthal, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Alicia Vogel, University of Wisconsin-Madison James Blumenthal, University of Wisconsin-Madison Hyun-soon Lee, University of Wisconsin-Madison James Powell, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Recent Research in Gender and Muslim Identities in South Asia 227 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Farhat Haq, Monmouth College

Gender and Identity Politics in Pakistan
Farhat Haq, Monmouth College
Muslim Women in India: Rethinking an Old Question
Mahna Sarkar, Johns Hopkins University
Muslim Religious Rituals in an Indian Hill Station: The Shi'a
Community and Muharram Observances in Darjeeling
David Pinault, Loyola University

Saturday, October 21 Session 5, 10:15-Noon

Reshaping Marriage, Motherhood, Work, and Community: Women's Constructions of Experience in South Asia
311 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Marguerite Roulet, Madison, WI

Married to "Dukha"

Laura Kunreuther, University of Michigan I'm Offering You an Invitation to Love Laura Ahearn, University of Michigan

Creating Community Within the Conjugal Village

Marguerite Roulet, Madison, WI

Nurture for Sale: Sri Lankan Housemaids and the Work of Mothering

Michele Gamburd, University of Michigan Discussant: Anne Waters, Columbia University

Politics, Power and Powerlessness 313 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Anita Weiss, University of Oregon

Politics, Discourse and Powerlessness in Pakistan Mustapha Kamal Pasha, American University

Women, Education, and Empowerment in Pakistan Anita Weiss, University of Oregon

Liberal Reforms and Marginalization

Syed Bashir Hussain, University of WisconsinOshkosh

Calculus of Power and Elusive Federalism
Tayyab Mahmud, Cleveland State University
Discussant: Aura Syed, Virginia Polytechnic and State
University

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Chair: Sharada Rath, Utkal University

Mohamed Alam, Midway College Digambara Mishra, Miles College Manindra Mohapatra, Indiana State University Satyanarayan Rath, Utkal University

Recent Research on the Subcontinent's North and Northwest 316 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Martha Carter, Bulletin of the Asia Institute Bodhisattva Neckalces with Zoomorphic Terminals in Buddhist Art of Ancient Greater Gandhara

Carolyn Woodford Schmidt, Ohio State University
Oesho or Siva: An Indian Deity in Afghanistan
Martha Carter, Bulletin of the Asia Institute

The Saravati River

Beatrice Reusch, University of Wisconsin-Madison The Nepal Documentation Project John Huntington

Recent Research on Re-Interpretations of Traditions Auditorium, Wisconsin Center

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Sree Padma, Harvard University
The Political Economy of Song: Rethinking Nationalism in

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Yamuna Sangarasivam, Syracuse University Sounds for the Goddess: Commercial S\Cassettes, Devotion, and Local Politics in a Tamil Village Festival

Paul Greene, University of Pennsylvania The Ayodhya History Debate Koenraad Elst

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Chair: Manindra Verma, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Variation in Hindi-Urdu: Do Speakers Now Control a Continuum?

Peter Hook, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor Variation and Pandialectal Grammar of Hindi

Tej Bhatia, Syracuse University
Attitudes toward Hindi and Urdu among Literary Writers and
Grammarians

Tahsin Siddiqi, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

Representing Traditions in 18th and 19th Century South Asia: History, Literature, and Architecture
B1A Lowell Hall

Chair: Kumkum Chatterjee, The Pennsylvania State University

History as Self-Representation: The Recasting of A Political Tradition in Late 18th Century Eastern India

Kumkum Chaterjee, The Pennsylvania State University

Representations of India, Indian States, The English Company and Self by an 18th Century Indian Emigrant

Michael H. Fisher, Oberlin College

Making "Manly" Poetry: The Construction of Urdu's "Golden Age"

Carla Petievich, Montclair State University Hindu-Muslim Landscapes in 18th and 19th Century India: Jaipur and Shahjahanabad

Catherine B. Asher, University of Minnesota Discussant: Stewart B. Gordon, Inependent Scholar

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Reintepretation and Liberation in Emerging Dalit Theology Stephanie Doucette and Eleanor Zelliot, Carleton College

Tribal Christian Identity: An Enigmatic Experience in North East India

Lalsangkima Pachuau, Princeton Theological Seminary

Through Missionary Eyes: The Scandanavian Alliance Mission in West Khandesh in the Letters of Martha Dahlstrom

Philip Engblom, Independent Scholars of South Asia Mehta's "Smrutichitre": Post-Colonial Construct or Hindutvavadi Distortion?

Malcolm Nazareth, Temple University
Discussant: Frank Conlon, University of Washington-Seattle

### Indian Dance at the Crossroads

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Chair: Mekhala Abu-Lughod, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Embodied Texts, Changing Contexts: New Challenges in Kathak Dance

Mekhala Abu-Lughod, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Fallout from an Artistic Explosion: The Boom in Bharata-Natyam and its Repercussions

Anne-Marie Gaston, Carleton University

Stradling Two Cultures: Dance in the Indian Diaspora Lata Pada, York University

American Multi-Culturalism with a South Asian Flair: Arts and Education Policy or Power Politics

Janaki Patrick, Columbia University,

Discussant: Sally Banes, University of Wisconsin-Madison

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Language, Identity and the State in South Asia 212 Wisconsin Center

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Re-forming Pakistani Nationalism: State, Society and the 1972 Language Riots

Omar Qureshi, University of Chicago Traces of Violence, Spaces of Death: The State, Identity and Community in Urban Sri Lanka

Pradeep Jeganathan, University of Chicago Language, the Census, and the Vicissitudes of the Tharu Identity in Nepal

Arjun Guneratne, Macalester College

Recent Research on Gender in South Asia 215 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Jana Everett, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Gender Images in the Maharashtra Campaign to Ban Sex Determination Tests

Jana Everett, University of Wisconsin-Madison Sita, Eve, or Mary?: Christian Women and God-Talk in Today's India

Glory Jothi, Princeton Theological Seminary AIDS, Sex, and Sexuality in India: Need for Comprehensive Education

Lakshmi Goparaju, Syracuse University
Residential Experiences of Home-Based Women Workers in
Low-Income Communities of Dhaka, Bangladesh: A Review
Atiya Niloufer Mahmood, University of WisconsinMilwaukee

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Chair: Marcella Sirhandi, Oklahoma State University

The Bombay School of Art in the 1920s: Defending European Realism

Marcella Sirhandi, Oklahoma State University Rabindranath Tagore and the Reorganization of the Calcutta Art Gallery

Bradley Tindall, University of Georgia
Nationalism and the Baroda School
Gary Tartakov, Iowa State University
Modern Indian Sculpture: The Transition from Pre to Post
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Chair: Gary J. Hausman, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

Visha Vaittiyam [Poison Medicine] in Kanyakumari District, Tamilnadu, India

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Keila Diehl, University of Texas-Austin

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Mary Cameron, Auburn University

Simple Labor Reciprocity Ain't So Simple

Jana Fortier, University of Wisconsin-Madison Labour Arrangements and Household Security in Northern Pakistan

Ken McDonald, University of Toronto
The Role of the Pig in Himalayan Country with Reference to
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B.B. Kshatri and R.K. Kadariya, University of Aberdeen

Discussant: Paul Benjamin, USAID

The Gender of the State 313 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Akhil Gupta, Stanford University

Transnationals, The State, and Indian immigrants in the United States

Inderpal Grewal, San Francisco State University Engendering the State: Paternalistic Development Programs as Disciplinary Regimes

Akhil Gupta, Stanford University

Paternal States and Baby Brigades: Violence In the Name of the Nation

Mala De Alwis, University of Chicago

Airforce Women Don't Cry: Militaristic Nationalism

Purnima Manekar, Stanford University

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Revival and Protest in the Psychology of Freedom Fighters 314 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Prakash Desai, V.A. Medical Center, Chicago

Jinnah's Use of Islam for Protest and Revival
R. Bhawani Prasad, V.A. Medical Center, Chicago
Mahatma Gandi's Self-revival through the Gita
Prakash Desai, V.A. Medical Center, Chicago
Gandi in the End: the Fast as the Ultimate Psychological
Decision

Hyman Muslin, University of Illinois-Chicago French Sakti: The Role of the Mother in Cultural and Personal Psychology of Aurobindo

Alfred Collins, California Institute of Integral Studies

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Chair: Tamar Reich, The University of Chicago

The Mythico-Ritual Syntax of Omnipotence
David Lawrence, Hong Kong University of Science
and Technology

The Svetasvatara Upanishad Reconsidered
Signe Jansen, University of Oslo, Norway
Contestatory Discourse on the Asvamedha Parvan of the
Mahabharata

Tamar Reich, The University of Chicago Rituals of Transformation: Paramanand's *Padas* and *Seva* A. Whitney Sanford, Philadelphia, PA Saturday, October 21 Session 6, 1:30-3:15 p.m.

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Chair: Ram Dayal Munda, Syracuse University

Saved by Dance: the Cultural Movement for Autonomy in Jharkhand

Carol Babiracki, Brown University
Ideology of Tribal Society and Economy: Industrial
Transformation and Local Resistance in Jharkhand
Stuart Corbridge, Cambridge University
Jharkhandi Resistance in the Era of Late Capitalism
Kaushik Ghosh, Princeton University

Forest Movements in Jharkhand

Sarah Jewitt, Cambridge University

Jharkhandi Popular Culture and the Movement for Political
Autonomy

Ram Dayal Munda, Syracuse University
Ecological Ethnicity? Genealogy of Resistance in Jharkhand
Pramod Parajuli, Syracuse University
Structures of Constraint: Gender, Household, Economy and
the State in Jharkhand

Aarti Saihjee, Syracuse University

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Chair: Manindra Verma, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Variation in Fiji Hindi

Rodney Moag, University of Texas-Austin Connection between Language Contact, Historical Processes and Synchronic Variation

Surendra Gambhir, University of Pennsylvania Nagpuri Hindi: The Impact of Convergence of Marathi and Hindi in Central India

> Rajeshwari Pandharipande, University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana

Patterns and Sources of Variation in Bihari Hindi Mitilesh Mishra, University of Chicago Discussant: Hans Hock, University of Illinois-Champaign-Urbana

Women in the Mughal Empire and the Muslim Successor States: Power, Patronage and Piety

118 Lowell Hall

Chair: Gavin Hambly, University of Texas-Dallas

Private Lives and Public Piety: Women and the Practice of Islam in Mughal India

Gregory Kozlowski, DePaul University Embattled Begams: Women as Power-Brokers in Precolonial Indian States

Richard Barnett, University of Virginia
Women and the Feminine in the Court and Culture of Awadh,
1720-1856

Michael Fischer, Oberlin College

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Stories that Come to Life: Narrative Figures as Local Advocates for Political and Socioreligious Disputes

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Chair: Susan S. Wadley, Syracuse University

How the Crazy Yogi Claimed His Land
Daniel Gold, Cornell University
Who is Daryadhan?: Narrative Use in an Indian Potter
Community in Times of Tradition
Neema Caughran, Syracuse University
The Duplicity of St. George in Kerala Devotion
Corinee Dempsey, Syracuse University
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Chair: Peter J. Claus, California State University

Some Thoughts on Ritual Power in South India
Deborah Neff, Tucson, AZ

Male and Female Power in Bhagavati Cult Rituals
Sarah Caldwell, University of California-Berkeley
The Army Dances: Veliccappatu Performance at Kodungallur
Meg Gentes, University of Texas-Austin
Toward a "Doubtless" Mentality: The Representation,
Actualization, Exercise and Failure of Power(s) in Kathakali

Phillip Zarrilli, University of California-Los Angeles

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Politics of Linguistic Identity in India 212 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Vijay Burgula, City University of New York

Linguistic Identity as Hegemonic Ideology Rajagopal Vakulabharanam, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Political Mobilization in Telengana

Vijaya Burgula, City University of New York
Local and (Trans)National Subjects: The Politics of Hindu
Identity in the Telugu Diaspora in North America
Nandini Balakrishna, University of MassachusettsAmherst

Imagining the Homeland: Telugu Identity on the Internet
Vamsee Juluri, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Discussant: Satish Kolluri, University of MassachusettsAmherst

Recent Research on National Identity and State Building in India 215 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Theodore Wright, S.U.N.Y.-Albany

Failed Hegemony and the Crisis of Class Politics in Post-Colonial India

Michael McIntyre, DePaul University
Divided We Stand: State-Building and the Discourse of
National Identity in Post-Independent India
Srirupa Roy, University of Pennsylvania

The Kashmir Dispute: A Regional Solution
Uma Singh, Jawaharlal Nehru University

The Renewed Demand for Muslim Reservations in India Theodore P. Wright, Jr., S.U.N.Y.-Albany Saturday, October 21 Session 7, 3:30-5:15 p.m.

The Architect in South Asian History 226 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Surojit M. Gupta, Ball State University

The Architect in Select South Asian Inscriptions
Mary F. Linda, Penn State University
Temple Measurements as Traces of Architectural Practice
Patrick A. George, University of Pennsylvania
The Architect in Mughal India
Surojit M. Gupta, Ball State University
The Identity of the South Indian Sthapati
Samuel K. Parker, University of Washington-Tacoma
Discussant: Frederick Asher, University of Minnesota

Recent Research on Communications and Popular Culture 227 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Stephen McDowell

Theoretic Traditions and the Political Economy of India's Communications Policies

Stephen McDowell, Michigan State University
Representations of Local Culture in a Pakistani TV-Series
Helene Basu, Institut fur Ethnologie, Berlin
Main Azad Hoon and Meet John Doe: Indian Popular Cinema,
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S. Shankar, Rutgers University

The *Times of India* in Changing Times: The Press and Foreign Policy Change in India

Elizabeth Hanson, University of Connecticut

# 42 Saturday, October 21 Session 7, 3:30-5:15 p.m.

Recent Research on Space and Subalternity in Nepal 311 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Heather Hindman, The University of Chicago

Authenticity and Authority in the Imagination of the Buddha's Birthplace

Heather Hindman, The University of Chicago They Were our Servants: "Small Caste" Perspectives on jati in Newar Society

Katharine Rankin, Cornell University
Squatting as Discourse: An Examination of Illegal Housing
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Kathleen Gallagher, Harvard University
Tribe, Caste and National Integration in Nepal
Gopal Singh Nepali, Tribhuvan University

Recent Research on Language and Power 313 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Brian Caza, University of Chicago

Contesting Voices of "India"—the Linguistic Reorganization of India and an Alternative Nationalist Discourse Brian Caza, University of Chicago
Ethnolinguistic Identity and Language Policy in Nepal Selma Sonntag, Humboldt State University
The Man who Speaks Fire: Tippori Arumugam and Vulgarity in Tamil Oratory

J. Bernard Bate

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Recent Research on Gender and Economic Development 316 Wisconsin Center

Chair: Ismail Shariff, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay/World Bank Consultant

Social Welfare and the Politics of Class, Caste, Disability and Gender

Nirmala Erevelles, Syracuse University
Petty Traders, Gender and Economic Transformation in the
Kerala Fishery

Holly Hapke, Syracuse University
The Effects of Gender on Class Mobility: Farming Women in
Himachal Pradesh

Elizabeth Smaller, University of Toronto

Social Hour (no host bar)

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Main Lounge Area, Lowell Hall

### Sunday, October 22

**Social Hour** 

Coffee, Tea, Donuts

8:00 a.m. Main Lounge, Lowell Hall

### **Sunday Morning Special Event**

Invited Lecture by

Bh. Krishnamurthi
University of Texas-Arlington
former Vice-Chancellor, University of Hyderabad

"Reginal Language vs. English in Modern India"

118 Lowell Hall

8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

### Sunday at Madison Sunday, October 22, 9:00 a.m. to noon

9:00 to 10:30

Building a Database for Teaching and Research
Sandy Freitag, American Historical Association
What You Can and Can't Get From Internet Sources
Frank Conlon, University of Washington

10:30 to noon

Syllabi Exchange

An opportunity to share and exchange course ideas and information

Film and Media

Lalitha Gopalan, Georgetown University

Asian History

Mike Fisher, Oberlin College KumKum Chatterjee, Pennsylvania State University

Asian Diaspora

Vijay Prasad, Syracuse and Cornell Universities

Anthropology

Gloria Raheja, University of Minnesota

Social Sciences

Arvind Rajagopal, Indiana University Shelly Feldman, Cornell University

Asian Religions

Dan Gold, Cornell University

Sunday, October 22 Session 8, 10:15 a.m. to noon

Development in Nepal B1A Lowell Hall

Chair: Paul Benjamin, Independent Scholar

The New Context of Development in Nepal
Nanda Shrestha, Florida A & M University
Nepali Options Within and Outside the Global Economy;
Some Case Studies in Sustainability and Implications for Grassroots Practice

Pramod Parajuli, Syracuse University
Resource Management in Central Nepal
Om Gurung, Cornell University
Modernization, Development, and Environmental Change in
Nepal

Amulya Tuladhar, Clark University
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