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Anthropology

Anisong Through Religious Donations: The Case of the Phaya Sekong
Manuscript from Muang Sing (Laos) / (Gen. Ed) Volker Grabowsky
Hamburger Thaiistik-Studien (Hamburg Thai Studies)
Segnitz, Wurburg, Germanu: Zenos-Verlag, 2019
Band 2
xii, 186p. ; 185 photographs.
9783931018429
\$ 40.00/ PB
514gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648803>

Architecture

Thailand's Movie Theatres : Relics, Ruins and the Romance of Escape /
Philip Jablon (Ed) Sarah Rooney
Bangkok: River Books Co. Ltd., 2019
204p.
9786164510234
\$ 30.00 / PB
1030gm.

In the 1950s and 1960s, movie theatres across Thailand were important architectural statements and centres of social and cultural life. At a time when few houses had electricity, the local movie theatre was where people came together, irrespective of class or occupation. In today's era of shopping-mall multiplexes and movies streamed on personal devices, the popularity of the standalone cinema has become a thing of legend; few remember the once-familiar scenes of overflowing crowds spilling out onto the streets or frantic ticket buyers thrusting fists full of cash

through small ticket windows. In 2008, Philip Jablon, then studying for a Masters degree in Thailand, began recording the demise of the country's standalone cinemas. In bringing together his poignant photographs and the ephemera of a vanished culture, such as highly collectible hand-painted Thai movie posters, this book records an irreplaceable slice of social, cultural and movie history. It is introduced by Kong Rithee, writer, documentary film-maker, and long-time movie critic for the Bangkok Post newspaper.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=619382>

Phnom Penh Extension et Mutations

Phnom Penh: Atelier Parisien d'Urbanisme, 2019

144p.

French & Khmer Text

9782360890156

\$ 25.00 / PB

590gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648804>

Thailand : Architecture in Steel 7

Bangkok: Li-Zenn Publishing Limited, 2019

296p.

Includes Index

9786164590168

1. Architecture, Thailand

\$ 70.00 / HB

1690gm.

During the past 7 years, the development of steel in architectural designs in Thailand has been remarkable in terms of challenging forms, innovative technology, rapid construction, and refined details which can only be done through the use of steel. The steel's flexibility helps facilitate the expression of space, form, and visual impact so that the completed projects can be outstanding visually and aesthetically. This book puts together not only the architectural projects that place emphasis on shape, space, or appearance, but also the works that show improvement and understanding in advanced technology and construction system.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648805>

Biography

Kulap Saipradit ('Siburapha') : Journalist & Writer in Early 20th Century Siam / David Smyth

Bangkok: White Lotus Co. Ltd., 2019

xii, 244p. ; illus. in black & white, 145x207mm.

9789748434711

\$ 25.00 / PB

330gm.

Kulap Saipradit (Siburapha) : Journalist and Writer in early 20th Century Siam is the first book-length, English-language account of his work as a journalist and fiction writer. Kulap emerged in the mid-1920s as part of a new generation of fiction writers which rejected the popular trend of translating or adapting foreign works in favour of creating their own original Thai stories. Kulap proved one of the most popular and successful of this new wave, and two of his novels, *The Battle of Life* (1932) and *Behind the Painting* (1938) have become classics. From the early 1930s Kulap's focus switched from fiction to Journalism and he became editor of several daily newspapers. But his insistence on editorial freedom brought him into frequent conflict with newspapers owners who feared being closed down by the government. Kulap was a bold critic of the military regimes headed by Field Marshal Phibun Songkhram (1938-44 and 1948-57), which led to his arrest and imprisonment on two occasions. After Field Marshal Sarit Thanarat came to power in 1958, Kulap went into exile in China. In Thailand, his works disappeared from bookshops, and his name became taboo. Only after the death of Sarit, did publishers feel it safe to publish Kulap's works once more. Kulap's own death in Beijing in 1974 sparked renewed interest in his works. Many young writers were influenced by his later fiction, which highlighted the plight of the poor. At the same time, literary scholars beginning to chart the history of the Thai novel, saw his works as significant landmarks in the development of the genre. The centennial of his birth established Kulap as a national icon, recognized for his social consciousness and his championing of democracy and press freedom; national recognition was accompanied by international acclaim, when UNESCO declared him an 'eminent personality'

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=631143>

Impermanence : An Anthropologist of Thailand and Asia / Charles Keyes
Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, 2019

viii, 304p.

9786162151385

\$ 35.00 / PB

372gm.

Book Details:

Charles Keyes, an emeritus professor of Anthropology and International Studies at the University of Washington where he served for forty-five years, spent over a dozen years of his career carrying out research, teaching, and promoting links between scholars and institutions in and between the US and Thailand, Vietnam, and Laos. His initial over two years of field research was carried out in a village in northeast Thailand. This was followed by another two years research in Mae Sariang on the Thai-Myanmar border. He taught for two years at Chiang Mai University and was also a visiting professor at Maha Sarakham university in northeastern Thailand.

Keyes is the author or editor of a dozen books and nearly one hundred articles. His research has focused on religious practice in Buddhist societies, ethnicity and national cultures, transformation of rural society, and political culture.

He promoted links between American-based academic institutions and counterparts in Laos, Vietnam, and Cambodia and carried out new research in Laos and Vietnam.

In addition to his own research in Southeast Asia, he made it his priority to train graduate students from Thailand and Vietnam. Many of the forty-five PhDs as well as numerous MA students he trained over the course of his career came from these countries.

He also played a prominent role in professional work, having served as the president of the American Association of Asian Studies and taken the lead in forging links with scholars in Thailand, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia as well as with colleagues in Europe and Japan.

Much of Keyes's work has involved the study of Buddhism and the role this religion plays in the everyday life of Thai and others in mainland Southeast Asia. His book illustrates the significance of the Buddhist emphasis on *anicca* or 'impermanence' and demonstrates how this principle has shaped his own life.

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Cookbooks

Baan Phadthai Cookbook / Joe Cummings, Chef Sujira

Pongmorn & Chef Arisara Chongphanitkul

Bangkok: Avril Production Co., Ltd., 2019

188p.

Includes Index

9786169162933

\$ 45.00 / HB

894gm.

No Thai dish is more famous than phadthai. Born on the streets of Bangkok, the sweet-and-savory noodle dish can now be found in countless Thai restaurants around the world. In Thailand, only accomplished vendors dare to focus on phadthai. That's because, although the dish appears to be a simple ensemble of few ingredients tossed together in a wok and quickly stir-fried over a hot flame, in fact making phadthai properly, with the right textures and balance of flavors, is a significant challenge. Baan Phadthai follows this traditional one-dish focus with the aim of producing the finest noodle plate in Thailand, mating perfect technique and adherence to tradition with the finest ingredients available from throughout the kingdom.

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Ecology

Forest Trees of Southern Thailand, Volume 3 (Mo-Z) : Monimiaceae to Ximeniaceae and Gymnosperms / Simon Gardner, Pindar Sidisunthorn & Kongkanda Chayamarit assisted by Tim Utteridge
Bangkok: Amarin Printing and Publishing Plc, 2018
880p.

Includes Index

9786164685710

\$ 165.00 / HB

1990gm.

Southern Thailand has one of the richest tree floras in the world and contains 75% off all native trees found in Thailand. This series will cover 2400 species over three volumes, including over 90% of wild trees known from the region. Two thirds of all these species are described in detail and fully illustrated with 1200 original drawings and over 7000 photographs over the three volumes, which capture the astonishing beauty of these plants, most of which have never been seen in print. The text is authoritative and up-to-date but written in non-technical language to appeal to amateur botanists as well as professionals. A second section of 150 pages is devoted to synonyms, references, distribution and uses. This unique book is the most complete guide ever published to the flora of this fascinating region and is an essential reference for anyone interested in the natural history of the peninsula.

Volume 3 covers the Monimiaceae to Ximeniaceae and the Gymnosperms.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=624317>

Indo-Pacific Corals : Identified and Illustrated Hans Ditlev :
Updated according to WoRMS, Illustrated dictionary,
identification keys and references to coral literature, Volume 2
/ J. Hylleberg & T. Cedhagen
Phuket: Phuket Marine Biological Center, 2018
xxii, 374p.
9786161205744
\$ 150.00 / HB
1430gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648810>

Economics/Development Studies

Thailand Health Monitor 2017-2018, Volume I : Cause of Illness
Nonthaburi: Alpha Research, 2019
594p.
9786167526539
\$ 60.00 / PB
1340gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648811>

Thailand Health Monitor 2017-2018, Volume II: Cause of Death
Nonthaburi: Alpha Research, 2019
386p.
9786167526546
\$ 50.00 / PB
888gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648812>

History

Thaïlande, ue royaume bouddhique, aux XX^e et XXI^e siècles/
Marie-Sybille de Vienne
Paris: Les Indes savantes, 2018
234p.
Includes Index
French Text
9782846544757
\$ 60.00 / PB

370gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648814>

Official Publication

The 2018 Establishment Survey on the Use of Information and
Communication Technology [Thailand]

Bangkok: National Statistical Office, Ministry of Digital Economy and
Society, 2019

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ISSN: 1905-7628

\$ 35.00 / PB

370gm.

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