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Anthropology

The 'Soul' of the Tai Re-Examined: The Khwan Concept and Tham Khwan Ceremony of the Tai-Speaking Peoples / Barend Jan Terwiel (Ed) Benjamin Baumann
Glienicke, Germany: Galda Verlag, 2023
xxvi, 278p.

9783962032975

Insights From Southeast Asia, Volume 9: Multidisciplinary Approaches Towards the Region Series

\$ 90.00 / PB

514gm.

Khwan is certainly one of the most enigmatic concepts one encounters in the study of the Tai-speaking world. Various rendered as 'soul', 'vital principle' or 'life essence', the concept eludes unambiguous translations as Western ontologies and the languages that reproduce them simply lack an analogous signifier. While a lot has been written on khwan, it seems that little progress was made in understanding their place in Tai conceptualisations of personhood and sociality. One reason for this may be that authors addressing khwan in their scholarship are frequently referring to the same seminal publications while ignoring others. This fostered a quasi-canonical understanding of what khwan are that is rarely critically scrutinised. With this edited volume we seek not only to honour Barend Jan (Baas) Terwiel, but also to problematise this conventional understanding of what khwan are. In the field of Tai Studies, Baas' name stands out as a beacon of knowledge and understanding, illuminating the rich tapestry of Thailand's history, culture, and society. Through meticulous scholarship and a profound love for the subject, Baas has left an indelible mark on the field, enriching our understanding of Thailand in ways that go beyond the surface. Join us on a journey through texts Baas has written over 50 years in order to explore what khwan are and how Tai-speakers all over the Tai-speaking world interact with them in order to strengthen their well-being and maintain personhood. Our goal with this volume is to make Baas scholarship on khwan more easily available and thus to celebrate his remarkable contributions to the world of Tai Studies. Therefore, we have edited, commented, and streamlined his original and sometimes hard to find texts and ordered them in a way that allows readers to better understand khwan as well as their similarities and differences all over the Tai-speaking world.

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Architecture

Landscape Architects 49: Embracing The Landscape / Landscape Architects 49

Bangkok: Li-Zenn Publishing Limited, 2022

372p.

9786164590472

1. Landscape Architecture.
2. Landscape Architecture – Thailand.

\$ 120.00 / HB

2824gm.

The book ‘Embracing the landscape’ shares about a set of principles and strategies in landscape architecture on which the practice of Landscape Architects 49 has been founded since 1989. It also encapsulates the spirit that seeks for alternative ways for harmony, beauty, and the formation of atmospheres that could enrich and localize the works of landscape architecture in the context.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867146>

Vernacular Charm / Architects 49 (Chiangmai)

Bangkok: Li-Zenn Publishing Limited, 2023

264p. ; 28cm.

English & Thai Languages

9786164590649

1. Architecture.

\$ 120.00 / HB

1336gm.

Today, the meaning of “Vernacular Charm” for Architects 49 (Chiangmai) spans beyond shape and form. It encompasses texture, material, space, and the ambience of our architecture. We embrace “Local Wisdom” as our philosophy to achieve “Vernacular Charm” in every aspect of our architectural design. Fine examples can be found in our residential designs, such as the 3Gen House, Pillar House and Flora House. In 3Gen House, the roofing material, wood slat facade and the courtyard layout all contribute to its “Charm”. The new lobby and up-coming villas for the Inter-Continental Hotel Chiang Mai (formerly the Imperial Mae Ping Hotel) are inspired by Lanna architecture. On a public scale, the two new buildings for Chiang Mai University – CMU Food Center and CMU Innovative Learning Center – incorporates use of materials as well as courtyard planning to retain all existing trees.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867147>

Participatory Architecture for Change (ร่วมเขียนเปลี่ยนแปลง): 10th Anniversary Arsom Silp-

Institute of the Arts / Pattarasiri Apichit (Translator) Peter Montalbano

Bangkok: Arsom Silp-Institute of the Arts, 2017

360p.

English & Thai Languages
9786167923062

1. Architecture, Thai.
2. Community Development.
3. Participation.
4. Community Conservation.

\$ 50.00 / HB
1294gm.

Participatory Architecture for Change reflects the innovative interdisciplinary and problem-based teaching of architecture at the Arsom Silpa Institute. Integrating social and environmental goals into teaching and learning and recognition that building communities and supporting social enterprises is an important part of urban development. It is a new and interesting alternative that is different from commonly used methods. The Ta Kok Canal Project and the Chao Kham Phong Project are examples of case studies that demonstrate the value of participatory action research at the Arsom Silpa Institute. It offers a method for understanding the complexity of urban issues, both practical and ethical, in order to make decisions to participate in creating change. For those who are looking for new options to professional practice or study in architecture This is a book that should not be missed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867148>

Water Architects: Catalogs for the Adaptation to Floods in Changing Climate / Polpat Nil-U-bon

Bangkok: Polpat Nil-U-bon, NPPN Design and Research, 2022

384p.

9786165888554

1. Architecture.
2. Flood damage prevention.

\$ 70.00 / PB
592gm.

Urban climate adaptation currently focusses mainly on hazards but often ignores opportunities which arise in both space and time. This book provides a rationalized approach to mainstream measures for climate adaptation into urban renewal cycles. Adaptation opportunities are identified by projecting the lifespans of urban assets into the future to obtain an operational urban adaptation agenda for the future. Upscaling of the adaptation process is done by synchronizing the end-of-lifecycle of a group of assets to develop adaptation clusters that comprise multiple dwellings, infrastructure as well as public spaces. An extensive catalogue of adaptation measures for different scale-levels ensures flexibility in the type of measures that can be integrated. Sequencing the adaptation measures over long periods of time provides insight and flexibility in the long-term protection standards that can be achieved. By applying a design-centered approach, the potentials of obtaining co-benefits in the urban landscape are maximized. Potentials of clustering of nature-based solutions are being considered which ensures to maximize the delivery of ecosystem services.

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Art

Malay Silver and Gold: Courtly Splendour from Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei and Thailand / Michael Backman (Ed) Narisa Chakrabongse

Bangkok: River Books Press Co., Ltd., 2024

292p. ; 475 Photographs & 3 Maps

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9786164510777

\$ 80.00 / HB

1384gm.

This beautifully illustrated book is the most comprehensive book ever published on the silver and gold ware of the Malay people of Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, southern Thailand and Brunei.

Hundreds of photographs of previously unpublished items, and meticulous research, are used to tell not just the story of Malay gold and silver, but that of the Malay people, with reference to their princely regalia, banqueting items, betel sets, jewellery and other treasures.

Michael Backman shows how collectors, curators and colonialism have distorted our view of the Malays and their gold and silver ware, and in so doing, reveals a rich and sophisticated legacy.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867150>

The Social Life of TEAK / Tim Webster & Virginia Henderson

Bangkok: River Books Press Co., Ltd., 2023

256p.

9786164510821

\$ 45.00 / PB

1245gm.

Tracing human interactions with the world's most famous tropical timber species, The Social Life of Teak maps worlds revolving around teak forests, trees and wood.

What gives *Tectona grandis* such a powerful aura, stoking desires and capturing imaginations? How has teak shaped people's lives, driving fortunes and impacting futures?

What has happened to the teak forests of South and Southeast Asia and what is their destiny? Charting the domestication of wilderness and exposing the era of extinction of a feted natural resource, this book seeks to stimulate conversations about our role as nature's most troublesome offspring.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867151>

Stand For Democracy In Myanmar / Marcelo Brodsky

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2022

1v.

\$ 50.00/ PB
270gm.

The exhibition presents thirteen artworks elaborating images of key moments during the Myanmar Spring Revolution, which started in opposition to the coup d'état staged by the military led by General Min Aung Hlaing on 1 February 2021.

The artworks by Argentine artist Marcelo Brodsky aestheticize snapshots from the protests in a way that evokes people's emotions, courage and commitment to return democracy at all costs. The exhibition thus leverages visual art to raise public awareness of and to express solidarity with the cause of the civil movement in Myanmar and their struggle for freedom, democracy and human rights.

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Quilt Exhibition Catalogue: A Life Once Had, A Dream of Hope: Stories of Women from the Rohingya Refugee Camp / SEA Junction

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

\$ 50.00/ PB

204gm.

Since March 2019, Asia Justice and Rights (AJAR) and the Liberation War Museum (LWM) of Bangladesh have been conducting documentation work using participatory action research with more than 120 women in the Rohingya refugee camps in Cox's Bazar. The process involved sewing activities in sharing their stories and healing while building solidarity and peer support among women survivors.

Using embroidery as a medium, a group of Rohingya women refugees have depicted their life stories, focusing on their exodus from Myanmar in the face of atrocities. The embroidery expresses their hopes, dreams, & memories – a response to being survivors of genocide and the challenges they face living in the refugee camp. Through this exhibition, we hope to build solidarity and promote human rights for the Rohingya.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867153>

Exhibition Defiant Art: A Year of Resistance To The Myanmar Coup In Images / SEA Junction

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2022

1v.

\$ 50.00/ PB

255gm.

Through a series of 13 large boards with artworks by artists from Myanmar and beyond, they were displayed on the curved wall on the 4th floor of the Bangkok Art and Culture Center (BACC) where SEA Junction is also housed. Together, the boards form a history in images of the evolving political situation in Myanmar economic and social impacts have also been huge, but are not the focus of the exhibition-highlighting the importance of art to raise awareness, chronicle what is happening and encourage resistance.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867154>

Art Exhibition Never Give Up: 2 Years into the Myanmar Coup (Part II) – What We Need / SEA Junction

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

English & Thai Languages

\$ 50.00/ PB

280gm.

Honoring this spirit of creativity and resilience, the two-part art exhibition “Never Give Up: 2 Years into the Myanmar Coup” gather artworks of artists from Myanmar. Through poems, videos, photographs and paintings, they reflect on the ongoing challenges while stressing the centrality of human rights as well as their vision and hopes for a new just future for Myanmar.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867155>

Photo Exhibition: Migrants’ Labour and Lives in Thailand’s Blue Economy / John Hulme

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

English & Thai Languages

\$ 50.00/ PB

146gm.

Organized by SEA Junction in partnership with International Labour Organization (ILO)’s Ship to Shore Rights South East Asia funded by the European Union, the photo exhibition gives, as the title says, a glimpse of “Migrants’ Labour & Lives in Thailand’s Blue Economy.” In particular, the photos taken by Thailand-based photographer John Hulme over the course of a decade focus on the two major fishing and sea-processing locations Rayong and Ranong with a majority of workers from Cambodia and Myanmar. They show the migrant’s faces, community life, their work from shore to vessels and the gender distribution of labour with women carrying the double burden of unpaid household work and full-time employment in seafood processing jobs. In their humanity, the images ask questions about how to better protect these fellow human beings and integrate them in our societies.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867156>

Photo Exhibition: The Deep Places in the Deep South / Yostorn Triyos

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

English & Thai Languages

\$ 50.00 / PB

306gm.

Thailand’s southern border provinces of Pattani, Yala, and Narathiwat— an area predominantly inhabited by Malay-Muslim people—have been experiencing continuous

violence. More than 13,000 people have been injured, and the death toll has surpassed 7,200 from the more than 21,000 violent incidents that have occurred in the region during the last 19 years. The enforcement of three special laws to control the crisis have not resolved the conflict and instead led to violations of the human rights of people living in the area.

The prolonged conflict has also fostered a perception of the region as a hotbed of danger, not only in the eyes of the Thai state but also among citizens in other regions. Yet in the midst of challenging circumstances, “ordinary” people continue to lead their lives, carry out their daily tasks, and navigate the challenges posed by the conflict live, perform their daily tasks and manage to cope with conflict. The photo project by Yostorn Triyos focuses on this “parallel reality,” employing photography as a tool to narrate the way of life and culture of people in the area. Supported by Minority Rights Group International and co-funded by the European Union, the project incorporates anthropological and sociological dimensions through the lens of the “Living Room,” which functions as both a cultural and spiritual space, reflecting the identity of the Malay ethnic group in the three southern border provinces.

Organized by SEA Junction in collaboration with Realframe, the photo exhibition “The Deep Places in the Deep South” is scheduled to take place on 19 September – 1 October 2023 on the curved wall, 4th floor of the Bangkok Art and Culture Centre (BACC). The exhibition raises questions about the outsiders’ view of this region and its population as “troublesome” and “diverse”. It offers an alternative perspective that transcends the continuous media portrayal of violence.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867157>

Photo Exhibition: Cambodia War and Beauty / David A. Feingold

Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

English & Thai Languages

\$ 50.00 / PB

264gm.

Cambodia is often depicted in the public imagination as either the land of Angkor and Apsaras or the Killing Fields and the Khmer Rouge. An American writer once referred to the countries of Southeast Asia as “the Lands of Cruelty and Charm”. However, Cambodia is more than death and decoration. It is people who have struggled and survived war and atrocities, displacement, and political and social chaos, all the while working to preserve their culture. That culture now faces the new threat of unconstrained overdevelopment. This is the focus of the photo exhibition “Cambodia: War and Beauty”, organized by SEA Junction and Ophidian, on 3-15 October 2023 on the curved wall, 3rd floor of the Bangkok Art and Culture Centre (BACC). This photographic retrospective, exhibited previously in FCC Angkor by Avani and Meta House in Phnom Penh in 2020 and Paris in 2022, presents a collection of black and white and color photos taken by David A. Feingold, a research anthropologist and an award-winning documentary filmmaker, over the last six decades in Cambodia. The themes of the photos include war and its impact on the land and people, the on-going impact of landmines on the people and land of Cambodia, the toll they take, and the courage and skill that are needed to remove them. The exhibition also showcases the

cultural survival of the Cambodian people, including the beauty and grace of young dancers and their rigorous training; exclusive images inside the Site 2 refugee camp in the mid-1980s; and young dancers training at the National School of Ballet in Phnom Penh in the 1990s. Through these images, viewers can understand how Khmer dance became an essential ingredient in the survival of Khmer culture and a form of struggle against the repression of political regimes. Additionally, the exhibition covers the return of H.M. King Sihanouk to be King of Cambodia in the 1990s, which witnessed the slow transition from war to peace overseen by the UN and the tensions of secular politics.

While fostering a better understanding and appreciation of Cambodia's history, culture, and society, the exhibition aims to showcase the contradictory and complementary elements of Cambodian culture in a historical context.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867158>

Photo Exhibition: Who Cares? : COVID-19 Divides in Southeast Asia / SEA Junction
Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

\$ 50.00 / PB

350gm.

The photo exhibition "Who Cares? COVID-19 Divides in Southeast Asia" organized by SEA Junction and displayed at the Bangkok Arts and Culture Center (BACC) from today to 29 October—documents how the pandemic in Southeast Asia laid bare the entrenched wealth and welfare inequities in society and their diverse implications for the well-being and safety of the various segments of the population as well as the differentiated social protection responses to the crisis.

In mainland Southeast Asia, the human toll was initially limited compared to peninsular Southeast Asia and to global figures. Nevertheless, throughout the region, the socioeconomic damage of COVID-19 and the drastic measures taken to impede its spread have been huge and inequitably distributed.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867159>

Exhibition Bodymaps for Healing: Seeking Peace in Southern Thailand / SEA Junction
Bangkok: SEA Junction, 2023

1v.

English & Thai Languages

\$ 50.00 / HB

412gm.

Duayjai Group, in collaboration with SEA Junction and Cross Cultural Foundation (CrCF) organized an exhibition titled "Bodymaps for Healing: Seeking Peace in Southern Thailand" between 5 to 17 September 2023 on the curved wall, 4th floor of the BACC.

Showcasing more than 30 bodymaps, the exhibition originates from a therapeutic art program with conflict-affected communities in southern Thailand. The mental effects of armed conflict, abuse, and torture on the victims as well as their families and communities are not always visibly apparent, like in the case of physical injuries. They may also not manifest themselves immediately but rather gradually emerge over time. Duayjai Group's

research revealed that anxiety, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder hindered victims' lives and livelihoods. In response, they organized art therapy programs to explore emotions, self-awareness, and self-esteem restoration. Victims and families, collaborating with artist Gerda Liebmann, created artworks which were previously displayed at Patani Art Space and Prince of Songkla University.

The exhibition aims to raise awareness about the importance of healing for all those who have suffered psychological impacts from violence and to foster participation among networks in order to develop a support system. It also raises awareness of the importance of effective legal and institutional instruments for implementing fundamental human rights principles such as torture prevention and prohibition.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867160>

บันทึกไว้ ในทรงจำ = Deep Impress: Watercolor Study with Scenery of Bangkok / Asst. Prof.

Ekaraj Worasamutprakarn

Thailand: Ekaraj Worasamutprakarn (Self-Published), 2023

156p. ; 20x20x1.5cm.

9786165722742

\$ 50.00 / HB

700gm.

The watercolor painting book has the second half of the drawing method. Contains views of Bangkok, temples, palaces, and the amazing story of the giants in the Battle of Tha Tien. The life of the artist's garden Including techniques and techniques for painting watercolors to make them shine.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867161>

2020 Contemporary Art Scene in Thailand / รัชชชัย สมคง =Thawatchai Somkong

Bangkok: เดอะเกรทไฟน์อาร์ท =The Great Fine Art, 2022

336p.

English & Thai Languages

9786167882161

\$ 60.00 / PB

818gm.

Gathering news about more than 160 art exhibitions in Thailand, readers will be able to see a complete picture of the movements in the Thai art industry.

รวบรวมข่าวสารนิทรรศการศิลปะในประเทศไทย โดยแบ่งออกเป็นส่วนบทความเจาะลึกแต่ละนิทรรศการ

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Biography/Memoirs

Nine Decades of Friendship: In Honour of Sulak Sivaraksa on His 90th Birthday / (Ed)
Somboon Chungprampee
Bangkok: International Network of Engaged Buddhist (INEB), 2023
232p.
9787751433547
\$ 35.00 / PB
282gm.

Today with the on-going political crisis, economic downturn, environmental disasters, deteriorating democratic values, institutions and structures; the path and message given by Ajarn Sulak is so important for younger generations and activists to learn and follow. He has passed through most of his life with a total commitment to his vision and mission. The biggest birthday present for him is to learn and follow his message and commit ourselves for social activism. – Harsha Navaratne [Chairperson, INEB Executive Committee]
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867163>

A Rebellious Spirit: Perspectives and Legacy of Pracha Hutunuwat / (Eds) Jane Rasbash & Somboon Chungprampee
Bangkok: International Network of Engaged Buddhist (INEB), 2023
416p.
9786168209547
\$ 40.00 / PB
492gm.

A book in two parts, this publication first features a selection of Pracha's writing related to Engaged Buddhism in contemporary society. Tackling topics such as globalization, consumerism, education, ethnic conflict, violence and peacemaking these essays echo the deep influence which Buddhadasa Bhikkhu and Ajahn Sulak Sivaraksa had on Pracha's thought.

Part two illustrates testimonies and memories from students, colleagues and friends around the world reflecting on the influence which Pracha had in their lives. A charismatic and complex man with many contradictions, Pracha was always a leading light on the path towards a more just, sustainable and authentic future.

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Cooking

Thailand's Favourite Restaurants 2024: 350+ All New Reviews From Across Thailand /
Koktail
Bangkok: Mediamagination Co., Ltd., 2024
416p.
Includes Index
ISSN: 2821-9341
\$ 35.00 / PB
434gm.

'Thailand's Favourite Restaurants by Koktail' 2024 edition boasts a curated selection of over 350 restaurants spanning the northern charm of Chiang Mai, the fine dining excellence of Bangkok to the southern allure of Phuket. From exquisite setting to laid-back gems, this guide is your passport to culinary delights, rated for food, setting, drinks, and service.

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Economics

Financing Healthcare for Migrants, Refugees and Stateless Persons: An Analysis of Public Healthcare Financing Schemes in Western Europe and Southeast Asia in the Era of COVID-19 / Chantal Herberholz

Bangkok: Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University, 2022

242p.

Includes Index; Bibliographical References

9786164076716

1. Financing.
2. Healthcare.

\$ 25.00 / PB

434gm.

"Financing healthcare for migrants, refugees and stateless persons: An analysis of public healthcare financing schemes in Western Europe and Southeast Asia in the era of COVID-19" is book number 73 under the Textbook Publication of the Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok Thailand. The Faculty's fund for Academic and Educational services was used to finance the publication of this book.

The Textbook Publication Project of the Center for Academic Documentary Services is an example of many academic activities that represent an integral part of the Academic Development Plan at the Faculty of Economics. The purpose of the Project to promote and publish a larger number of good-quality textbooks used for courses taught in the Bachelor and Graduate Programs at the Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867166>

Culture, Institutions, and Economic Development: Health and Long-Term Care Systems / Chantal Herberholz

Bangkok: Thailand Science Research and Innovation, 2022

158p.

Includes Index

9786164171817

1. Culture – Economic aspects.
2. Long-term – Care.

\$ 20.00 / PB

330gm.

This book explores the linkages between culture, institutions and economic development, focusing on health and long-term care systems. A sizable and increasing number of studies have analyzed the impact of culture on various economic outcomes. Yet, there are relatively few studies that examine the cultural foundations of health as well as long-term care systems, especially in developed countries. Long-term care systems are particularly important in countries that are aging rapidly such as Thailand. Population aging has driven up long-term care expenditures and long-term care itself is a growing sector of the economy in many countries. As long-term care is predominantly provided by family members, it also affects labor markets, productivity, and the health status of caregivers.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867167>

Why Do We Pay More Than Others?: The Case of Price Discrimination / Yingyot Chiaravuthi
Bangkok: Yingyot Chiaravuthi (Self-Published), 2022

180p.

Includes Index

9786165946193

1. Price discrimination.

2. Microeconomics.

\$ 35.00 / PB

234gm.

Why do movie theaters charge lower price on Wednesday?

What is the most expensive day to reserve an air ticket?

Why should we buy lunch in the morning?

Why do sellers set lower prices for higher-cost products?

Why do sellers intentionally sell their products at a loss?

Is it fair for foreign tourists to pay higher than locals?

When you buy something, do you think other buyers are paying the exact same price as you? This book explores several real-world cases of “price discrimination”, where sellers deliberately set different prices for different buyers. Once we understand why and how sellers price discriminate, we will be able to answer the above questions, including...

Why do we pay more than others?

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Health & Medicines

Tai Herbalism / Susan Conway

Chiang Mai: Silkworm Books, 2024

xxii, 82p. ; 15 x 23 cm. ; Color illustrations :15 images ; Black & White illustrations :21 images

9786162152054

\$ 28.00 / PB

152gm.

There is a saying among minority people, “To annihilate my culture and identity, you must first destroy my language and writing.” Through intentional political policy or simple ignorance and neglect, minorities worldwide remain at risk of losing or have already lost their languages and unique forms of writing. This loss is a catastrophe, but issues of culture and identity do not always attract attention. That is why this book is essential.

The book is based on a translation of an early nineteenth-century manuscript written in an old Shan script in danger of extinction. At most, only a handful of older adults in Burma (Myanmar) can read it. The author achieved a translation with the help of monks and lay people living in remote villages and monasteries. It reads like a detective novel.

Highlighting and publishing a translation of an endangered script is not the only reason this book is essential. It provides a fascinating insight into how diseases of the mind and body were treated in early nineteenth-century Burma. Shan herbal remedies were part of the treatment. Chants, spells, and rituals, part of a Shan magico-religious belief system, were administered at the same time. Before treatment, patients were assessed according to astrological and cosmological philosophy.

The book reveals the flora and fauna present in nineteenth-century Shan forests. It was a rich and diverse environment. A medicinal index is provided, listing plants and animal parts used to make medicines. Since the time the manuscript was written, forests have been destroyed, and animals and plants are now extinct or in danger of extinction. The book provides a record of what was living in the woods nearly two hundred years ago in the hope that conservationists may one day be able to restore it to its former beauty.

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History

Constitutions of the Kingdom of Thailand I-XX / Boonsong Chalethorn (Translator) Mano Laohavanich

Pathum Thani Province: Mano Laohavanich (Self-Published), 2021

214p.

9786165827638

\$ 50.00 / PB

408gm.

I-XX: This book is a must for every diplomat interested in the politics of Thailand as well as those who are interested in the roller-coaster development of democracy of the Kingdom. The content of the book is not only about the thought and history behind the drafting of each version of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Siam but also provides the story behind the scenes of the conflict, twists and turns of the politics of the Thai people from the beginning until the XX version of the Constitution. From 1932 to 2022, the Kingdom has seen 13 successful coups from 18 coups out of these five were aborted. Normally, coup in Thailand is bloodless, except a few that took place on 6 October 1976 when civilians were specifically targeted especially in the massacre in Thammasat University, and the Palace Rebellion of 1949 which could be considered as the bloodiest incident ever taken place in modern history of Thailand. Readers can easily understand the unique character of Thai culture which is dominated by Theravada Buddhism which has made the country very

conservative and complacent in term of reaction of the Thai people to any display of public injustice. The author of the book, Dr. Bunsong Chaletorn, has been active in politics; he was arrested by the military junta in his campaign for democracy in 1973, and later exiled to Sweden in 1976. Chaletorn provides the in-depth analysis of thoughts behind the drafting of each Constitution down to the current version. Chaletorn's comments in Thai politics are taken seriously by local journalists and commonly referred to in most political media in Thailand; they are brave, candid and difficult to find in this country. The translator of the book, Dr. Mano Laohavanich, is also a well-known politician, a scholar and lecturer in Thai studies, a graduate from Oxford, Harvard and Hamburg Universities. Having seen the value of the Thai version of this book, he decided to translate the work it into British English making the language suitable for foreign readers as well as preserving all the content of the Thai version.

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Journal of the Siam Society (JSS), Volume 111, Part 1, 2023 / (Eds) Chris Baker & Paul Bromberg

Bangkok: The Siam Society under Royal Patronage, 2023
iv, 192p.

ISSN: 0304-226X

\$ 50.00 / PB

422gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=867171>

Journal of the Siam Society (JSS), Volume 111, Part 2, 2023 – Cultural Wisdom for Climate Action: The Southeast Asian Contribution / (Eds) Chris Baker & Paul Bromberg

Bangkok: The Siam Society under Royal Patronage, 2023
iv, 292p.

ISSN: 0304-226X

\$ 50.00 / PB

634gm.

Papers and presentations from a conference on “Cultural Wisdom for Climate Action: The Southeast Asian Contribution,” held at the Siam Society on 12–14 January 2023

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Ma part de rêve - Le demi-siècle de reportages d'un Asiate: Essais / Jean-Claude Pomonti
Paris, France: Les Indes savants, 2023

126p.

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164gm.

Installé depuis plus de trente ans en Asie, j'avais oublié certains charmes de la Méditerranée. La pandémie de Covid19 m'a aidé à corriger cette erreur en me retenant pendant deux hivers en Corse. Je ne m'en plains pas, au contraire. Loin de tout ennui, les

longues soirées invitent à des pauses salutaires. C'est le moment de jeter un coup d'oeil sur des archives, ignorées depuis longtemps : carnets de route qui couvrent un demi-siècle de reportages, albums de photos qui réveillent la nostalgie, lectures dont on avait oublié jusqu'à la substance, et revues de presse qui illustrent non une carrière mais plutôt les itinéraires d'une vie. L'exercice témoigne également du plaisir de raconter ces inédits et édits, ainsi que certaines réflexions qu'ils suscitent.

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Chanthaburi : 11 ans d'histoire commune franco-siamoise / François Doré

France: Editions Soukha, 2021

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La ville de Chanthaburi se situe à 230 km à l'est de Bangkok, dans la direction du Cambodge en suivant la côte du Golfe de Thaïlande. Capitale d'une province du Royaume, elle est une destination privilégiée des touristes thaïlandais.

Malheureusement, elle demeure inconnue du tourisme international, n'étant considérée que comme un passage obligatoire vers les paradis balnéaires de Ko Chang ou de Ko Kood. Et c'est bien dommage, car il s'agit d'une région riche d'histoire où un étonnant brassage de populations, de religions, de civilisations a créé une des provinces les plus originales et spectaculaires de Thaïlande. Cet ouvrage reconstitue une partie de l'histoire de cette ville et de sa région, commune à la France et à la Thaïlande, tout au long d'une occupation de 11 ans, soubresaut de l'histoire inconnu des Français et souvent mal compris par les Thaïlandais.

Après 50 ans dans la région, où il fut tour à tour journaliste, guide touristique, agent de voyages et assistant médical, la passion de François Doré pour la littérature et l'histoire de notre aventure coloniale en Indochine, entouré des 16 000 titres de sa librairie ancienne ne s'est jamais démentie. Et l'aventure Franco-Siamoise, une fois les passions éteintes, méritait bien ce nouvel éclairage.

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Law

Extra Judicial Killing / (Ed) Anchana Heemmina (Illustrator) Waeasmir Waemano

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212gm.

This report was created to present the stories of people who are under special laws, focusing on studying their stories. The lives of Malay Muslim people who have been referred to law enforcement and carry out the execution or what we know as “Extrajudicial killings by the state”.

The 10 stories reflect his life, hers, family and events to reflect the conduct of security officials and compare with related laws both domestic laws international law and international practice principles Including making recommendations for practice. The main goal of enforcing the law is to protect the public and increase confidence in the work of officials. To work effectively in life-threatening situations Including protecting life (Right to Life) and property of people in society and complying with laws both inside and outside the country.

The group hopes that this report will be useful to those interested in the stories of people both similar and different, and people who work hard to create a just and equitable society.

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Triple Crisis in Myanmar: Coup, Covid & Climate Change / (Eds) Gustaaf Houtman & Chayan Vaddhanaphuti

Chiang Mai: Regional Center for Social Science and Sustainable Development (RCSD), Faculty of Social Science, Chiang Mai University, 2023

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Triple Crisis in Myanmar is a selection of contributions to the 7th International Conference on International Relations and Development, organized by RCSD and which was held at Chiang Mai University from 22-23 July 2022. This book, edited by Chayan Vaddhanaphuti and Gustaaf Houtman, delves into Myanmar’s most pressing challenges: the February 2021 coup, the Covid-19 pandemic, and climate change. The book sheds light on the coup’s impact and the pandemic’s toll on the nation, emphasizing the role of civil society and the plight of displaced migrants. It also explores human rights violations against Myanmar’s migrant workers in Thailand and climate change effects on vulnerable communities. This analysis offers a multifaceted view of a country grappling with complex overlapping crises.

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Totsakan: The Demon King and The Hermit’s Riddle / Timlin Bea

Bangkok: River Books Press Co., Ltd., 2023

280p.

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324gm.

Catt and Rawin disappear while on a school visit to the Temple of the Emerald Buddha and find themselves in a bewildering world of deadly demons and cunning monkeys. They are told by a friendly hermit that they are destined to help the good Prince Ram defeat the evil Demon King Totsakan, who has abducted Ram's wife Sida. Until they succeed, they cannot go home to Bangkok. They fight the demon hordes alongside Ram's monkey army. The Demon King decides he has to kill them before they kill him. But Catt and Rawin discover to their horror that the Demon King imperils not only the world they have been trapped in, but their own as well. There is only one way they can fulfill their destiny.

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A guide on “face management” in Thai culture, designed for expatriates, entrepreneurs, retirees, and students living in Thailand. It provides essential insights into understanding the impact of face management on social relationships, both personally and professionally. The aim is to assist readers in navigating cultural nuances by offering explanations, examples, and knowledge for a better understanding of this concept and its significance in their daily lives.

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