

THE CEUS MONTHLY

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NEWS

Several CEUS faculty, students, and alumni participated in the Eighth Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society, held at the University of Washington in Seattle from October 18th-21st. Among them were Stacie Giles, Edward Lazzerini, Benjamin Levey, Timothy May, Dan Prior, Ron Sela, Nazif Shahrani, Kemal Silay, and Christopher Whitsel.

Gardner Bovingdon is in Taiwan this Fall as a visiting scholar at Academia Sinica's Institute of Ethnology. On November 8th he will be giving a talk at Academia Sinica's Institute for Political Science entitled "Naming and claiming in China and Taiwan: the role of representation in modern politics."

Yuri Bregel has recently published his study *Documents from the Khanate of Khiva (17th-19th centuries)* in the series Papers on Inner Asia (no. 40). Prof. Bregel wrote two chapters for the *Cambridge History of Medieval Inner Asia*, a volume edited by Peter Golden and **Allen Frank** (Ph.D. CEUS 1994), to be published early next year. He is currently writing an introductory chapter for the *Cambridge History of Modern Inner Asia*.

Lynn Hooker has been elected to the Council of the American Musicological Society for a term of three years (2008-2010). She begins her duties at the annual meeting of the Society in November 2007 in Québec City.

As of August 2007 **Daniel Prior** (Ph.D. CEUS 2002) is Assistant Professor of History at Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) and Executive Director of the Central Eurasian Studies Society.

Nicole Willock (Tibetan Studies) was awarded a Fulbright-Hays grant for Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad for the 2007-08 academic year. Nicole will be presenting also at the annual meeting at the American Academy of Religions, to be held in San Diego (Nov. 17-20), on the topic "Negotiating New Territory: The Life of Monastic Scholar Alak Tshe tan Zhabs drung"

UPCOMING EVENTS*

Thursday, November 1, 5:30 pm, Woodburn Hall 007

The Bregel Lecture Series: “Timurid Custom and Chinggisid Law: Continuity and Innovation” by **Maria Subtelny** (University of Toronto)

Saturday, November 3, 1 pm, Monroe County Public Library Auditorium

“Iran: History, Culture and People,” a Talk by Prof. **Jamsheed Choksy**

Thursday, November 8, 8 pm, John Waldron Arts Center 122 S. Walnut Street

Kalman Balogh Gypsy Cimbalom Band Performance.

Tickets are \$10 general public and \$7 students/seniors. Followed by Peasant Disco.

Friday, November 9, 3:30 pm, School of Journalism Ernie Pyle Auditorium

“Ethnicity, Inc.,” a lecture by Dr. **Jean Comaroff** (University of Chicago).

Monday, November 12, 4:30 pm, IMU State Room West

Lecture: “Religious Studies in Contemporary China” by Dr. **Zhou Weichi** of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing.

Thursday, November 15, 7 pm, Swain Hall East 140

Persian Film Series:

The May Lady, by Rakhshan Bani Etemad (1998).

*See an updated list of all CEUS events at: <http://www.indiana.edu/~ceus/eventsnew.shtml>

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