

Welcome: Jinhua Chen and Rey Sheng Her

Keynote 1: T. H. Barrett (SOAS): A Sense of an Ending: Chinese Buddhist Eschatology Reconsidered

Keynote 2: James Benn (McMaster): Buddhist Self-immolation and Climate Change [Glorisun Distinguished Lecture]

DAY 2 - October 8 North America | October 9 Europe and East Asia

Panel 1: Environmental Sustainability

- 1.1 Rey Sheng Her (Tzu Chi U): Cherishes Material Life to Reach the Economy of Goodness
- 1.2 Teresa Zimmerman-Liu (California State University): Applying the Buddhist “Toolkit” to Promote Sustainable Lifestyles: The Case of Taiwan’s Humanistic Buddhists
- 1.3 Ling Han (The Chinese University of Hong Kong) and Chengpang Lee (The Hong Kong Polytechnic University): Gender, Animal Welfare, and Environmentalism in Taiwanese Buddhism
- 1.4 Jeff Wilson (Waterloo): Environmental Activities in North American and Hawaiian Jodo Shinshu Temples

Special Book Talk by Sonja Arntzen (U Toronto): *Ikkyū and the Crazy Cloud Anthology: Then and Now*

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Panel 2: “Crisis Management”: Mind, Prayers, Arts and Rituals

- 2.1. Brian Nichols (Mount Royal): “Don’t Know Mind” as Antidote to Colonialist Certainty and “Crisis Epistemology”
- 2.2. Rolf Scheurmann (University of Heidelberg): Countering Climate Change with Prayers?: Tibetan sMon lam Practice between Dystopia and Utopia
- 2.3. Daryl Jamieson (Kyushu): Is nowhere free of Bad Tidings?: Artistic Response to the Climate Crisis through Japanese Mappō Thought
- 2.4. Livia Monnet (U Montréal): “The World as a Koan” or the Art of Radical (Ecological) Insight: In-aesthetics, Performance, and Climate Change in the Animation Art of Miwa Matreyek and Lu Yang
- 2.5. Kalzang Bhutia (University of Southern California): Rituals to Make the Rain Fall on Time and Repair the Concrete Caves: Himalayan Terma Traditions as Repositories for Rehabilitating the Cosmos in Times of Transformation

Panel 3: Anthropocene, Capitalocene and Posthumanism

- 3.1. Chia-ju Chang 張齊 (Brooklyn College - CUNY): Baizhang’s Wild Fox: Gong’an as Eco-Therapy for the Anthropocene Crisis
- 3.2. Sharon Wesoky (Allegheny College): “Chasing Zombies”: Buddhism and Political Subjectivity

in the Capitalocene

3.3. Geoff Barstow (Oregon State): The Dharma-Ending Age through the Lens of Posthumanism

Panel 4: Eschatology and Apocalypse

4.1. Kurt Spellmeyer (Rutgers University): Buddhism after Eschatology

4.2. Barend ter Haar (Hamburg): Black Wind for Seven Days and Nights: A Chinese Apocalyptic Disaster

4.3. Hoai Khai Tran (VinUniversity): Punting through a Shallowed World: Master Buddha's Watery Eschatology amidst the Rising Tides of Climate Change in the Mekong Delta

Panel 5: Environmental Ethics

5.1. Guo Wu 郭武 (Allegheny College): How Can Animals as Moral Agents Inspire Humans—Revisiting the Transmission of the Jātaka into China

5.2. Dagmar Schwerk (Leipzig University): "Times of Strife" as Didactics: Buddhist Ethics, Natural Disaster, and the Climate Crisis

5.3. Melissa Curley (Ohio): Paying Attention to Nonlife in Buddhist Philosophy of Nature

5.4. Daniel Capper (University of Southern Missouri): American Buddhist Environmental Ethics and Aggravations of Climate Change from Space Debris

Panel 6: Buddhist Eschatology?; Historical Perspectives

6.1. SHENG Kai 凯 (TsinghuaU): 佛教末世论与生态危机

6.2. LIU Yi 伊 (Capital Normal University): “末世”与生态危机

6.3. Songjoo Kim 宋淑珠 (University of Melbourne): Buddhist Literati Dispute Hierarchies of Life: Responding to Environmental Destruction in the Early Anthropocene

6.4. Kentaro Ide (Princeton): Transforming All into the Powerless: Hōnen's Critical Use of the Buddhist Eschatology in Early Medieval Japan

6.5. Chris Goto-Jones (UVic): Smoke over Mt. Toribe: Ikkyū and the Dharma of not-turning-away from the End

More Discussion Rey Sheng Her and Jinhua Chen