Day 1: October 2, 2015

Registration: 8.00 am – 9.00 am

Inauguration: 9.00 am – 9.15 am

Welcome Address

Prof. Martha Ann Selby, Chair, Dept. of Asian Studies, UT Austin

Introductory Remarks

Organizers of TAC 2015

Panel I – 9.15 am to 10.45 am

Textual Traditions, Journeys, Transformations

Discussant: Prof. Donald R. Davis, Associate Professor, Dept. of Asian Studies

1. Šambūka: A Guide through the Making of a Tradition -- Aaron Sherraden, UT Austin

2. Rescaling the Story: Literary Influences in the Work of Intizar Husain -- Sayyeda Razwi, UC Davis

3. Avian or Human: The Partridge as Pundit in Early Indian Texts -- Andrea Gutierrez, UT Austin

4. Social Justice, the Politics of Xia Culture, and Chinese Chivalric Tale in Transition, 1895-19011 -- Iris Ma, UCLA and UT Austin

Panel II: 11.00 am – 12.30 pm

Discourses of the Nation

Discussants: Prof. Robert Oppenheim, Associate Professor, Dept. of Asian Studies

Prof. Nancy Stalker, Associate Professor, Dept. of Asian Studies

1. The Edge of Obscurity: Affect, Precarity, and Culture in Rural Japan -- Chad Bruce, UT Austin

2. Critical Discourse Analysis of Discourses about “Multicultural” Families and Children in the South Korean Media -- Jaran Shin, UC Berkeley
3. Bushido in China: The Acceptance of Martial Ideology by Chinese Reformers in the Early Twentieth Century -- Lijie Dong, School of Liberal Arts, Southwest University, Chongqing, China

4. *Koryo Saram(s)* and Scales of Korean-ness: Contesting (Trans)national Identities Among the Korean Diaspora -- Zachary M. Adamz, Asian Studies, UT Austin

Lunch Break: **12.30 – 1.30pm**

Panel III: 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm

**Language, Identity, Mediation**

**Discussants:** Prof. Kamran Ali, Associate Professor, Dept. of Anthropology

Prof. Lalitha Gopalan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Radio-Television-Film

1. The South Asian Taxi Driver in Dubai and the Mediatory Role of English - *Deina Rabie, PhD Student, Linguistic Anthropology, UT Austin*

2. Visualizing the Sinophone: Body/Language in Martial Arts Cinema - *Melissa Chan, East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Southern California*

3. The Pashto Qasidah as a Redemptive Practice -- *Shehnaz Haqqani, PhD student, Islamic Studies, UT Austin*

4. Languages and Identities in Sinophone Cinema from Singapore -- *I-Hsiao Michelle Chen, PhD Student, Asian Studies, UT Austin*

Panel IV: 3.00 – 4.15 pm

**Visual Culture, Material Culture**

**Discussants:** Prof. Janice Leoshko, Associate Professor, Dept. of Art and Art History

Prof. David Sena, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Asian Studies

1. A Case Study from the Lahore Museum: Reconsidering Geographical, Political and Sectarian Boundaries in the Historiography of 18th Century North Indian Painting -- *Murad Khan Mumtaz, PhD Candidate, University of Virginia*

2. Ethics and Aesthetics in the Virtual Museum -- *Kristyn Goldberg, PhD Student, Rhetoric and Language, Moody School of Communication, UT Austin*
3. Anthology, Picture Book and Late Ming Artistic Practices: A Case Study of Tangshi huapu -- Jiayi Chen, M.A. Program in the Humanities, University of Chicago

Keynote Address: 4.30 pm – 5.30 pm

“The Infra-Ordinary in Chinese Documentary”

Prof. Paola Iovene
Associate Professor, East Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago

Day 2: October 3, 2015

Panel V: 9.15 am – 10.30 am

Gender, Sexuality, Textual Negotiations

Discussants: Prof. Kirsten Cather, Associate Professor, Dept. of Asian Studies, UT Austin
Prof. Svati Shah, Associate Professor, Dept. of Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies, UMass, Amherst

2. Queer hybrid heroes in the diaspora -- Rubi Sanchez, Dept. of Asian Studies, UT Austin
3. Fine-Tuning Sita: Translation, Sideshadowing, and the Ethics of Human Embrace -- Jeff Wilson, Dept. of Asian Studies, UT Austin

Panel VI: 10.45 – 12.45

State, Communities, Institutions

Discussants: Prof. Sharmila Rudrappa, Associate Professor, Dept. of Sociology
Prof. Joshua Eisenman, Assistant Professor, LBJ School of Public Affairs

1. Scaling Activism: ‘Indian’ and ‘Regional’ Dalit Movements -- Anusha Hariharan, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
2. Gifting as Governance: NGO Service Projects and the Formation of Disciplinary Power in Rural Migrant Settlements in Contemporary China -- Yang Zhan, Binghampton University
3. Sexual Equality in Family laws and the politics of ‘Islam’ and ‘secularism’ in Bangladesh: A fear of change -- Tahrat Naushaba Shahid, Department of Politics, St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford
4. Childhood in Collectivization: Rural Kindergarten in the Leap Forward -- Jing Zhai, PhD student, Dept. of History, UT Austin

5. Redescribing governance/relocating knowledge: confronting issues of scale in India’s ‘agricultural development’ -- Eden Kinkaid, Dept. of Geography, Pennsylvania State University

Lunch: 12.45 pm – 1.45 pm

Keynote: 1.45 pm – 3.00 pm

“Materializing Sexuality: Calibrating Neoliberalism, Nativism, and Class in Asian Sexuality Studies”

Prof. Svati Shah
Associate Professor, Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Coffee/ Tea Break: 3.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Symposium: Professional Development: 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm

Room: CLA 1.302
Facilitators: Prof. Huaiyin Li & Prof. Robert M. Oppenheim

Room: SAC 5.118
Facilitators: Prof. Martha Ann Selby & Prof. Heather Hindman