

**Conference on Natural Disaster in Asian History, Culture and Memory  
organized by Asia Research Institute & Department of Japanese Studies,  
National University of Singapore  
to be held on 26 – 27 August 2005**

**PROGRAMME**

<b>26 AUGUST 2005 (FRIDAY)</b>		
<b>9:00 – 9:30 am</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	
<b>9:30 – 10:00 am</b>	<b>WELCOME REMARKS</b>	
<b>10:00 – 11:00 am</b>	<b>SESSION 1</b>	
<i>10:00 am</i>	<b>GREGORY BARTON</b> Deakin University Australia	The Tsunami and the Third Wave: Aceh's Tragedies and Democratic reform in Yudhoyono's Indonesia
<i>10:30 am</i>	<b>HABIBUL KHONDKER</b> National University of Singapore Singapore	Global Moral Economy: Asian Tsunami of 2004 and the Lessons of Disaster Response from History
<b>11:00 – 11:30 am</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
<b>11:30 – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>SESSION 2</b>	
<i>11:30 pm</i>	<b>TIMOTHY TSU</b> National University of Singapore Singapore	A Deluge of Meaning: On Complementing and Competing Interpretations of the Great Hanshin (Kobe) Flood of 1938
<i>12:00 pm</i>	<b>GREGORY BANKOFF</b> University of Auckland New Zealand	The Perfect Storm: Local Flood Management in the Nineteenth Century Philippines
<i>12:30 pm</i>	<b>PETER PERDUE</b> Massachusetts Institute of Technology USA	Climate, Famine and Empire: China in the World
<b>1:00 – 2:00 pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>2:00 – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>SESSION 3</b>	
<i>2:00 pm</i>	<b>TOGO TSUKAHARA</b> Kobe University Japan	Japanese Typhoons: The History of Meteorology and Climate Change
<i>2:30 pm</i>	<b>JAMES WARREN</b> Murdoch University Australia	Superman: Father Jose Algue, Jesuit Meteorology and the Philippines under the American Rule, 1897 - 1924
<i>3:00 pm</i>	<b>KIM BOUMSOUNG</b> Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology Japan	Scientists, Observatories and Laypeople: Tsunami Research in Japan around 1900
<b>3:30 – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
<b>4:00 – 5:30 pm</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>END OF THE DAY ONE</b>	
<b>6:15 pm</b>	<b>TRANSFER TO DINNER (for speakers only)</b>	

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<b>27 AUGUST 2005 (SATURDAY)</b>		
<b>9:00 – 9:30 am</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	
<b>9:30 – 11:00 am</b>	<b>SESSION 4</b>	
<i>9:30 am</i>	<b>JORDAN SAND</b> Georgetown University USA	The Logic of the Burnable City: Movable and Immovable Property in Edo-Tokyo
<i>10:00 am</i>	<b>GREGORY SMITS</b> Pennsylvania State University USA	Responses to the Ansei Edo Earthquake of 1855
<i>10:30 am</i>	<b>SCOT HISLOP</b> National University of Singapore Singapore	Narrating Disaster: Issa's Kansei Sannen Kikô and the Tenmei Eruption of Mt. Asama
<b>11:00 – 11:30 am</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
<b>11:30 – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>SESSION 5</b>	
<i>11:30 pm</i>	<b>GREGORY CLANCEY</b> National University of Singapore Singapore	The Meiji Earthquake: Nation, Nature, and the Ambiguities of Catastrophe
<i>12:00 pm</i>	<b>CHARLES SCHENCKING</b> University of Melbourne Australia	The Great Kantô Earthquake of 1923 and the Promises and Perils of National Reconstruction in 1920s Japan
<i>12:30 pm</i>	<b>KERRY SMITH</b> Brown University USA	What Was Lost: The Murder of Ôsugi Sakae and the Trial of Amakasu Mashiko
<b>1:00 – 2:00 pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>2:00 – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>SESSION 6</b>	
<i>2:00 pm</i>	<b>JANET BORLAND</b> University of Melbourne Australia	Education Unearthed: Fault Lines in Education Exposed by the Great Kantô Earthquake
<i>2:30 pm</i>	<b>CAROLINE SPENCER</b> University of Melbourne Australia	Yokohama City and the Great Kantô Earthquake: Unofficial Construction Following Official Commemoration
<i>3:00 pm</i>	<b>CHRIS MULLIS</b> University of Melbourne Australia	Blood, Empire and Obligation: The Great Kantô Earthquake and the Japanese Language Press in America
<b>3:30 – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
<b>4:00 – 5:30 pm</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>END OF THE DAY TWO</b>	