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THE SPIRIT HOUSES OF THAILAND / PETER A.REICHART AND PATHAWEE KHONGKHUNTHIAN
BANGKOK : WHITE LOTUS CO., LTD, C2007
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[THIS BOOK PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF THIS CUSTOM DESCRIBING THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPIRIT HOUSES IN THAILAND. IT DEVOTES ONE CHAPTER TO THE WORSHIP OF THE LORD OF THE LAND OF THE LAND AND WHAT TO OFFER HIM TO KEEP HIM SATISFIED AND IN GOOD MOODS. THE CEREMONY HOW TO INSTALL A SPIRIT HOUSE IS DESCRIBED AS WELL AS WHAT TO DO WHEN ONE HAS TO DISPOSE OF A SPIRIT HOUSE. THE ERAWAN SHRINE IN BANGKOK AND THE CITY PILLARS OF SOME CITIES OF THAILAND ARE DESCRIBED AS WELL AS SPIRIT HOUSES IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES OF THAILAND.

THE BOOK IS RICHLY ILLUSTRATED BY BOTH BLACK AND WHITE AND COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING THE DIFFERENT STYLES OF SPIRIT HOUSES AROUND THE COUNTRY. THE INTERESTED READER WILL GET IMPORTANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND THUS WILL UNDERSTAND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SPIRIT HOUSE IN PRESENT DAY THAILAND IN MUCH MORE DETAIL.]

THE ARTS AND CULTURE OF THAILAND - CD/ CHARLES FREELAND
THAILAND : MOHIDOL UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE, 2006
CD
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[CHAPTER 1: OVERVIEW OF SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THAILAND'S POSITION WITHIN IT
CHAPTER 2: THE NEOLITHIC AND BRONZE AGES IN THAILAND
CHAPTER 3: THE ART AND CULTURE OF PENINSULAR THAILAND: SRIVIJAYA (100AD TO 1300AD)
CHAPTER 4: DVARAVADI: THE ART AND CULTURE OF THE MON CIVILIZATION IN CENTRAL THAILAND AND BURMA (600 AD-1000 AD)

CHAPTER 5: THE KHMER ART AND CULTURE IN THAILAND THE ART AND CULTURE OF LOPBURI AND THE NORTHEAST THAILAND (800 AD-1325 AD)

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CHAPTER 7: LAN NA CULTURE

CHAPTER 8: AYUTTHAYA (1350 AD-1767 AD)

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CHAPTER 10: ON MEMORY AND HISTORY IN THAI ARTS; REFLECTIONS AT AN EXHIBITION.]

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146 P. ; ILL. ; 25 CM.

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THE NEW ORIENTAL STYLE / MICHAEL FREEMAN

BANGKOK : ASIA BOOKS Co., LTD, c2006

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[THE BOOK INCLUDES WORK BY A RAFT OF INNOVATIVE YOUNG ASIAN DESIGNERS AND ARCHITECTS, INCLUDING ZHANG XIN AND HER AWARD-WINNING COMMUNE BY THE GREAT WALL. WESTERNERS WILL HAVE MUCH TO LEARN FROM ORIENTAL CONCEPTUAL APPROACHES TO SPACE, SO CLEARLY EXPLAINED IN THIS BOOK, WHICH FORMS A UNIQUE SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION FOR ALL THOSE CONCERNED WITH THE ART OF STYLISH MODERN LIVING.]

Economics

SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEMS IN THAILAND / WORAWAN CHANDOEJVIT

BANGKOK : THAILAND DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOUNDATION, c2006

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GLOBALIZING ECONOMY AND CIVILIZATIONAL AGENDA / EDITED BY SAIKAEW THIPAKORN AND SURICHA WUN'GAEO
BANGKOK : INSTITUTE OF ASIAN STUDIES, CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY, c2006
214 P. ; 20 CM.
974-9990-32-3
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Environmental Studies

MEKONG REGION WATER RESOURCES DECISION-MAKING : NATIONAL POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS VIS-À-VIS WORLD COMMISSION ON DAMS STRATEGIC PRIORITIES / EDITED BY ROBERT A.R. OLIVER (ET AL.)
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97 P. ; 21 CM.
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WATER PRIVATISATION IN THAILAND / EDITED BY KRISADA BOONCHAI (ET AL.)
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ROLE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR ON WATER MANAGEMENT IN THAILAND: CASE STUDY OF THE PATHUMTHANI WATERWORKS CO., LTD.]

THE MEKONG CURRENCY / LIESBETH SLUITER, INTRODUCTION BY GRAINNE RYDER
BANGKOK : PROJECT FOR ECOLOGICAL RECOVERY / TERRA, c1992
167 P. ; ILL. ; 28 CM.
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PESTICIDES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA : ENVIRONMENTAL, BIOMEDICAL, AND ECONOMIC USES AND EFFECTS / EDITED BY PETER KUNSTADTER
THAILAND : SILKWORM BOOKS, 2007
XI, 326 P. ; 23 CM.
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CERTIFYING THE UNCERTIFIABLE: FSC CERTIFICATION OF TREE PLANTATIONS IN THAILAND AND BRAZIL / EDITED BY LARRY LOHMANN

URUGUAY : WORLD RAINFOREST MOVEMENT, 2003
173 P.; 21 CM.
9974-7719-6-X
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[THIS BOOK AIMS AT CONTRIBUTING TO THE DEBATE OVER SUCH QUESTIONS BY LOOKING SPECIFICALLY AT THE CERTIFICATION OF LARGE-SCALE TREE MONOCULTURES. UNDER THE GUISE OF SO-CALLED "PLANTED FORESTS", ENTIRE ECOSYSTEMS-FORESTS, GRASSLANDS, WETLAND-HAVE BEEN WIPED OUT TO MAKE WAY FOR LARGE-SCALE TREE MONOCULTURES FEEDING AN EVER-INCREASING APPETITE FOR WOOD AND WOOD-BASED PRODUCTS, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTH. NONE OF THOSE ECOSYSTEMS WAS EMPTY OF HUMANS. ON THE CONTRARY, LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DISPOSSESSED OF LANDS AND FORESTS WHICH WERE THE BASIC OF THEIR LIVELIHOODS. ENTIRE REGIONS-EVEN IN AREAS NOT THEMSELVES CONVERTED TO MONOCULTURE-HAVE SUFFERED THE IMPACTS OF PLANTATIONS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF WATER, FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES CRUCIAL TO THEIR INHABITANTS SURVIVAL.]

DAMS : STRUGGLES AGAINST THE MODERN DINOSAURS
URUGUAY : WORLD RAINFOREST MOVEMENT, c2003
152 P. ; 20 CM
9974-7719-3-5
\$ 15.00

[THIS BOOK GATHERS A SELECTION OF ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY ELECTRONIC BULLETIN OF THE WORLD RAINFOREST MOVEMENT (WRM), ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF THE IMPACTS OF LARGE DAMS ON FORESTS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES, AS WELL AS THE STRUGGLES DEVELOPED AT THE LOCAL AND GLOBAL LEVELS AGAINST THEM.

THE LEVEL OF DETAIL AND ANALYSIS IN THE ARTICLES VARIES GREATLY, AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE NATURE OF THE BULLETIN, WHICH IS INTENDED TO SERVE AS A TOOL, BOTH FOR INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS ACTING ON A LOCAL LEVEL AND FOR THOSE WORKING ON AN INTERNATIONAL SCALE. HOWEVER WE HAVE INCLUDED MOST OF THE ARTICLES, AS WE CONSIDER THAT SOME WAY THEY CAN ALL SERVE TO GENERATE RESISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY MOVEMENTS REGARDING A SUBJECT SUCH AS THIS, OF VITAL IMPORTANCE FOR THE SURVIVAL OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES THAT LIVE IN THE AREAS WHERE LARGE DAMS ARE PLANNED OR ALREADY EXIST.]

WATERSHED: PEOPLE'S FORUM ON ECOLOGY (BURMA, CAMBODIA, LAO PDR, THAILAND, VIETNAM)
- VOL.11, NO.2 NOVEMBER 2005-JUNE 2006 / EDITED BY WITON PERMPONGSACHAROEN
BANGKOK : TOWARDS ECOLOGICAL RECOVERY AND REGIONAL ALLIANCE (TERRA), c2005
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General

MODERN THAIFOOD : 100 SIMPLE AND DELICIOUS RECIPES FROM SYDNEY'S FAMOUS LONGRAIN RESTAURANT / MARTIN BOETZ
SINGAPORE : PERIPLUS EDITIONS (HK) LTD., c2003
175 P. : ILL ; 27 CM
INCLUDES INDEX.
978-0-7946-0487-5
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THAI ELEPHANTS : TOURISM AMBASSADORS OF THAILAND ELEPHANT INSIGHTS / SAM FANG
THAILAND : FANG S.T. SAMUEL, c2006
159 P. : ILL. ; 24 CM.
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[THIS BOOK FEATURES MORE THAN JUST A "WINDOW" ON A HOLIDAY TIME WITH THAI ELEPHANTS. THE SPREAD OF MORE THAN 250 VIBRANT PHOTO-STORIES ILLUSTRATING ELEPHANT RIDING, SPECIAL SHOWS, ANNUAL EVENTS, TALENTS, CHARACTERISTICS PLUS RESPECTED TRAITS OF ELEPHANT HUNTERS, CEREMONIES AND RITUALS ARE OUT OF THE COMMON RUN VOLUME ON THE MAJESTIC THAI ELEPHANT.]

History

A JOURNALIST IN SIAM / ANDREW A.FREEMAN
BANGKOK : WHITE LOTUS Co., LTD, c2007
XIII, 341 P. ; 21 CM.
978-974-480-113-5
\$ 23.00

[A JOURNALIST IN SIAM IS AN ACCOUNT OF ANDREW FREEMAN'S TIME SPENT AT THE BANGKOK DAILY MAIL, AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN SIAM DURING THE 1920S. ASKED BY THE KING PRADJADHIPOK HIMSELF TO TAKE OVER AS EDITOR, FREEMAN STEPS INTO A WORLD WHERE PRIDE IS THE NAME OF THE GAME FOR BANGKOK'S SMALL COMMUNITY OF FOREIGNERS, THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS A DIRECT HAND IN THE TRAFFICKING OF CHINESE WOMEN, AND LOVE STRUGGLES AGAINST POWERFUL SOCIAL FORCES WHICH SEEK TO KEEP MEN AND WOMEN FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES APART.]

THE ART OF OPIUM ANTIQUES / STEVEN MARTIN
THAILAND : SILKWORM BOOKS, c2007
125 P.; 24 CM.
INCLUDES BIBLIOGRAPHY AND PHOTOGRAPHS.
974-9511-22-0
\$ 25.00

[THE ART OF OPIUM ANTIQUES EXPLORES AN ASPECT OF OPIUM THAT HAS LARGELY BEEN IGNORED-THE ART AND ACCOUTREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH OPIUM SMOKING THAT REACHED A PINNACLE IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY CHINA AND IN CHINESE COMMUNITIES ABROAD, FROM SAIGON TO SINGAPORE TO SAN FRANCISCO. FOR A CULTURE AS ANCIENT AND RICH AS THAT OF CHINA, IT SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE THAT ONCE OPIUM SMOKING WAS INTRODUCED, THE CUSTOM WOULD DEVELOP ITS OWN UNIQUELY CHINESE PARAPHERNALIA. OVER THE SPAN OF FOUR HUNDRED YEARS, THE SMOKING OF OPIUM IN CHINA EVOLVED FROM SIMPLE TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES TO SOPHISTICATED ACCOUTREMENTS. RICHLY ILLUSTRATED WITH OVER ONE HUNDRED PHOTOGRAPHS AND THE AUTHOR'S ANTIQUE COLLECTION ALONG WITH TEN RARELY SEEN HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS, THE ART OF OPIUM ANTIQUES REVEALS THE REMARKABLE ARTISTRY OF OPIUM-SMOKING THE NARCOTIC. THESE VISUALLY STUNNING AND EMINENTLY COLLECTIBLE RELICS ARE WONDERFULLY EVOCATIVE OF THE ROMANTIC ORIENT OF OLD.]

SAMPHENG : BANGKOK'S CHINATOWN INSIDE OUT / EDWARD VAN ROY
BANGKOK : CHINESE STUDIES CENTER, INSTITUTE FOR ASIAN STUDIES, 2007
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PIRATES IN PARADISE : A MODERN HISTORY OF SOUTHEAST ASIA'S MARITIME MARAUDERS /
STEFAN EKLOF
COPENHAGEN : NIAS PRESS , c2006
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Linguistics

READINGS IN ARTICULATORY PHONETICS: VOL. 1-CONSONANTS AND PHONATION TYPES / EDITED
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BANGKOK : EK PHIM THAI CO. LTD., c2006
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ABSTRACTS : CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT, LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION AND
MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION IN MINORITY COMMUNITIES IN ASIA 6-8 NOVEMBER 2003.
BANGKOK : SIL INTERNATIONAL, MAHIDOL UNIVERSITY AND UNESCO BANGKOK, 2003
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COGNATES OF THE KAM-TAI LANGUAGES IN CHINA
THAILAND : INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE AND CULTURE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT MAHIDOL
UNIVERSITY, 1998
XIII, 25 P. ; 21 CM.
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AN INVITATION TO GRAMMAR / DAVID THOMAS
REVISED EDITION
THAILAND : MAHIDOL UNIVERSITY AND SUMMER INSTITUTE OF LINGUISTICS, 1993
XV, 163 P. ; 23 CM
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[AN INVITATION TO GRAMMAR IS THE PRODUCT OF DAVID THOMAS'S EXTENSIVE LINGUISTIC
RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. IT IS AN EXCELLENT BASIC WORK IN
GRAMMATICAL ANALYSIS FOR FIELD LINGUISTS. BEGINNING WITH A GENTLE INTRODUCTION TO THE
BASIC CONCEPTS. IT WORKS THROUGH THE RELEVANT TOPICS WITH APPROPRIATE APPLICATIONS. IT
PROVIDES THE ESSENTIAL TOOLS TO REVEAL THE GRAMMATICAL STRUCTURE OF A LANGUAGE IN BOTH
BROAD AND DEEP PERSPECTIVES. IT HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE A GREAT CONTRIBUTION
TO THE LINGUISTICS AND ETHNIC LANGUAGES IN THAILAND.]

PROGRESSIVE THAI / RUNGRAT LUANWARAWAT
BANGKOK : ORCHID PRESS, c2007
VIII. ; 21 CM.
974-524-098-2
INCLUDES GUIDES TO PRONUNCIATION ON CD
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[PROGRESSIVE THAI, THE FIRST OF A PLANNED NEW SERIES OF LANGUAGE LEARNING TOOLS, IS THE PRODUCT OF THOUSANDS OF CLASSROOM HOURS OF INSTRUCTION TO FOREIGN STUDENTS OF THE THAI LANGUAGE.

COMPRISED OF SIXTEEN PROGRESSIVE LESSONS, THE BEGINNING STUDENT, WILL GRADUALLY DEVELOP THE ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE IN THAI IN MANY PRACTICAL, DAY-TO-DAY SITUATIONS, AS WELL AS BUILD A SOUND FOUNDATION UPON WHICH TO PROGRESS TO MORE ADVANCED STUDIES. EACH LESSON IS EXPLAINED IN SIMPLE AND CLEAR TERMS, AND IS ACCOMPANIED BY PRACTICAL DIALOGUE, PROVIDING THE STUDENT BOTH WITH THE TOOLS FOR DAILY CONVERSATION AND WITH FASCINATING INSIGHTS INTO THAI CULTURE.

WITH EXPLANATIONS OF GRAMMATICAL POINTS, EXERCISES WITH ANSWER KEYS AT THE END OF THE BOOK, AND INCLUDING TWO AUDIO CD ROMS ON WHICH EACH LESSON IS ENUNCIATED, PROGRESSIVE THAI IS IDEAL BOTH AS A CLASSROOM LEARNING TOOL AND FOR SELF STUDY.

'AS A LONG TIME STUDENT OF THE THAI LANGUAGE AND A NATIVE ENGLISH SPEAKER, I FIND PROGRESSIVE THAI TO BE USER FRIENDLY; IT MOVES EASILY FROM THE INTRODUCTORY STAGE RIGHT INTO THE LEARNING MODULES, WITH EACH SUCCESSIVE LESSON BUILDING LOGICALLY UPON PRECEDING MODULES. AT THE SAME TIME, EACH LESSON STANDS ON ITS OWN MERIT AS A CLEAR, COHERENT STAND-ALONE BLOCK OF INSTRUCTION.

THE PHONETIC SYSTEM EMPLOYED TO REPLICATE THAI VOWEL AND CONSONANT PRONUNCIATION IS BASED ON SOUNDS WHICH OCCUR NATURALLY IN ENGLISH. AS A RESULT, THE STUDENT CAN BEGIN LEARNING THAI IMMEDIATELY AND, IF SO MOTIVATED, CAN MAKE GOOD PROGRESS WITHOUT THE AID OF AN INSTRUCTOR.]

LITERATURE

THE RISK OF INFIDELITY INDEX / CHRISTOPHER G. MOORE
BANGKOK : ASIA DOCUMENT BUREAU LTD., c2007
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[MAJOR POLITICAL DEMONSTRATIONS ARE ROCKING BANGKOK. CHAOS AND FEAR SWEEP THROUGH THE THAI AND EXPATRIATE COMMUNITIES. RUMORS OF COUP D'ETAT ARE IN THE AIR. CALVINO STEPS INTO THE POLITICAL FIRESTORM AS HE INVESTIGATES A DRUG PIRACY OPERATION. THE PIRACY IS TRACED TO A POWERFUL BUSINESS INTEREST PROTECTED BY IMPORTANT POLITICAL CONNECTIONS. A NINETEEN-YEAR-OLD THAI WOMAN AND A MIDDLE-AGED LAWYER AND UP DEAD ON THE SAME EVENING. BOTH ARE CONNECTED TO CALVINO'S INVESTIGATION. THE DEAD LAWYER'S LAW FIRM DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE CASE. CALVINO IS LEFT IN THE COLD. APPROACHED BY A GROUP OF EXPAT HOUSEWIVES- RATTLED BY THE RISK OF INFIDELITY INDEX THAT RANKS BANGKOK NUMBER ONE FOR AVAILABLE SEXUAL TEMPTATIONS- TO INVESTIGATE THEIR HUSBANDS. CALVINO DISCOVERS THE ALLIANCE OF FORCES BLOCKING HIS EFFORT TO DISCLOSE THE SECRET PIRATE DRUG INVESTIGATION.]

THE NAGA'S JOURNEY: A NOVEL / TEW BUNNAG
BANGKOK : ORCHID PRESS, c2007
258 P.; 23 CM.
974-524-102-4

\$ 16.95

[SET IN MODERN-DAY BANGKOK, THE NAGA'S JOURNEY CHRONICLES THE UNLIKELY FRIENDSHIP OF THREE PEOPLE FROM DISPARATE BACKGROUNDS, THROWN TOGETHER BY A DRAMATIC EVENT AT THE CREMATION OF A NOTORIOUS PUBLIC FIGURE. THE CONSEQUENCE OF THEIR RESPONSE SETS IN MOTION THEIR RELATIONSHIP AND REVEALS A PAST, CONNECTED TO THE DEAD MAN, WHICH EACH OF THEM HAS TRIED TO AVOID CONFRONTING.

THROUGHOUT THE NOVEL LURKS THE DARK PRESENT OF THE NAGA, THE UNPREDICTABLE AND POWERFUL ELEMENT OF WATER, POTENTIALLY BOTH NURTURING AND DESTRUCTIVE. THE TALE REACHES ITS CLIMAX WHEN BANGKOK, A CITY DEGENERATING MORALLY AS WELL AS PHYSICALLY, IS THREATENED BY A MASSIVE FLOOD, AN EVENT THAT ENDS IN TRAGEDY AND CATHARSIS FOR THE THREE FRIENDS. THE TALES' ULTIMATE MESSAGE OF HOPE AND RECONCILIATION WILL BE AN INSPIRATION FOR ALL WHO EMBARK ON THE NAGA'S JOURNEY']

MARA IN THE LAND OF SMILES: AN ANCIENT FABLE FOR TODAY / AJAHN IAN (IAN MAYO-SMITH)
BANGKOK : ORCHID PRESS, c2007

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[MARA IN THE LAND OF SMILES IS A DELIGHTFUL FABLE SET IN A MYTHICAL COUNTRY THAT VAGUELY RESEMBLES THAILAND, HUNDREDS OF YEARS AGO. IT RECOUNTS THE TALE OF THE EPIC STRUGGLE BETWEEN MARA, THE LORD OF DELUSION, AND THE FOLLOWERS OF THE GREAT TEACHER, FOR THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF THE POPULACE. MARA'S WEAPONS ARE FEAR, JEALOUSY, HATRED AND GREED, SPREAD AND STOKED BY HIS FOUR WICKED AGENTS ON EARTH. AS THE STORY COMMENCES, ONLY FOUR SOULS HAVE RESISTED MARA'S SIREN CALL-THE KING OF THE LAND, AN AGEING MONK, A POOR PEASANT AND A WEALTHY MERCHANT. MARA PLOTS THE SEDUCTION OF THESE LAST FOUR VIRTUOUS CITIZENS TO SECURE HIS FINAL VICTORY.

WILL HATRED AND GREED DEFEAT LOVE AND GENEROSITY? WILL JEALOUSY AND FEAR VANQUISH BRAVERY AND RESPECT? ALL SHALL BE REVEALED IN AJAHN IAN'S INSPIRING TALE.]

MANDARIN: A NOVEL OF VIET NAM / JOHN HAVAN
BANGKOK : ORCHID PRESS, c2007

332 P.; 23 CM.

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[YOUNG BACH SEEMED TO HAVE IT ALL-THE FIRST BORN SON OF THE WEALTHIEST AND MOST POWERFUL MANDARIN AT THE HUE COUNT, HE GREW TO BE A VIRILE AND HANDSOME YOUNG MAN, IRRESISTIBLE TO THE WOMEN IN HIS LIFE, BRILLIANT AT HIS STUDIES AND WITH A NATURAL GIFT FOR THE MARTIAL ARTS. BACH WAS A TRUE 'DIAMOND SON'.

BUT BACH'S WAS A CASE OF THE RIGHT BIRTH AT THE WRONG TIME. THE FEUDAL SYSTEM THAT HAD DOMINATED VIET NAM FOR MORE THAN A THOUSAND YEARS WAS LOCKED IN A DEATH STRUGGLE WITH THE FORCES OF FRENCH COLONIAL EXPLOITATION. JAPANESE IMPERIALIST LUST AND HO CHI MINH'S COMMUNIST FANTICS. THE ODDS WERE STACKED AGAINST BACH FROM THE BEGINNING AND THE MANDARIN'S WAY OF LIFE WAS DOOMED IN THE CATAclySMIC BIRTH THROES OF THE MODERN SOCIALIST STATE.

AN EPIC TALE OF LOVE AND WAR, STRUGGLE, LOSS AND REBIRTH, BACH'S JOURNEY UTTERLY CAPTIVATES, FROM ITS FIRST PAGES TO ITS CLIMACTIC FINALE.]

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Includes Index.
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BANGKOK : STATISTICAL FORECASTING BUREAU, NATIONAL STATISTICAL OFFICE, c2006
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***THE CHARACTERISTICS OF POPULATION AND SOCIAL IN POOR COMMUNITIES SURVEY 2006 IN
BANGKOK METROPOLIS
BANGKOK : STATISTICAL FORECASTING BUREAU, NATIONAL STATISTICAL OFFICE, c2006
108 P. ; 29 CM.
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Politics & International Relations

MILITIA REDUX : OR SOR AND THE REVIVAL OF PARAMILITARISM IN THAILAND / DESMOND BALL
AND DAVID SCOTT MATHIESON
SERIES EDITOR ERIK COHEN
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[MILITIA REDUX: OR SOR AND THE REVIVAL OF PARAMILITARISM IN THAILAND IS A CRITIQUE OF THE CURRENT RESURGENCE OF PARAMILITARISM IN THAILAND. THE CENTRAL ORGANIZATION IS THE VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS, OR OR SOR. AN AGENCY OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR SINCE THE 1950S, OR SOR HAS A MULTIPLICITY OF TASKS, INCLUDING MAINTAINING ROAD CHECKPOINTS, GUARDING PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT BUILDINGS, SUPERVISING REFUGEE CAMPS, DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE, AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR ON DRUGS. IT HAS ALSO BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN TRAINING AND SUPERVISING RAPIDLY INCREASING NUMBERS HAVE INCREASED IN THE THAILAND-BURMA BORDERLANDS AND IN THE SOUTH, WHERE OR SOR AND CHOR ROR BOR HAVE BECOME A PRIMARY TARGET OF THE INSURGENCY. DESPITE A GENERALLY IMPROVING REPUTATION, MANY

PARAMILITARY PERSONNEL ARE ALSO NOTORIOUS AS THUGS FOR LOCAL STRONGMEN, AND FOR CORRUPTION AND INEFFICIENCY. THIS BOOK IS THE FIRST IN-DEPTH STUDY OF HIS UNIQUELY THAI EXPERIENCE OF PARAMILITARISM. PROFESSOR SUCHIT BUNBONGKARN HAS PROVIDED A FOREWORD.]

CIVIL SOCIETY AND DEMOCRATIZATION : SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN NORTHEAST THAILAND / SOMCHAI PHATHARATHANANUNTH

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BEEN DEFERRED BY THAILAND'S GOVERNMENTS. SECOND, THE MONOGRAPH FOCUSES ON SOME PROBLEMATIC ARGUMENTS CLAIMING THAT THAKSIN SHINAWATRA'S DISSOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN BORDER PROVINCES ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER IN 2002 PAVED THE WAY FOR THE CURRENT INSURGENCY, AND HOLDS THAT THE SBPAC AND PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTS FAILED IN THE PREVIOUS DECADE TO DETECT AN EMERGING NEW NETWORK-BASED MILITANCY. THIRD, IT DISCUSSES THE POLITICAL USES OF THE SOUTHERN CRISIS BY THE OPPOSITION DEMOCRAT PARTY, WHICH WAS ABLE TO PRESERVE ITS ELECTORAL BASE IN THE SOUTH BY DEMONIZING THAKSIN AS THE KEY CAUSE OF THE TURBULENCE. THE STUDY ARGUES THAT REPRESENTATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN CRISIS HAVE BEEN INHERENTLY POLITICAL, AND THAT THE MAJOR REALITY NEEDING ATTENTION IS THE COMPLEXITY AND VULNERABILITY OF A DISORDERLY, CONTESTED, AND NEGLECTED BORDERLAND.]

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THE APPARENT DIVERSITY OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS PRESENTED HERE SHOULD NOT OBSCURE THE COMMON GROUND THEY SHARE. ALL SEEK TO CHALLENGE THE COMPARTMENTALISED PERSPECTIVE BY

WHICH SOUTHEAST ASIA IS DEEMED THE RELEVANT FRAME OF REFERENCE. THE HISTORY OF RELIGION CAN DISREGARD NATIONAL FRONTIERS MORE EASILY THAN POLITICAL HISTORY AND COMPARATIVE APPROACHES THUS BECOME INDISPENSABLE: THIS UNDERSTANDING MOTIVATED THE FOUNDATION OF THE EFEO'S RESEARCH GROUP ON BUDDHISM AND OF THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC NETWORK BUILT UP AROUND IT, WHOSE WORK IS PARTLY REFLECTED IN THIS BOOK.]

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