



Study Tour to Burma, 9-15 December 2009

led by Dr John Miksic and Asst Prof Goh Geok Yian

Day 1 Wed 9 Dec	Singapore-Yangon on Silkair MI 512 depart Singapore 0755, ETA Yangon 0920	
	Visit Shwedagon Pagoda and National Museum	Overnight @ Kandawqi Palace Hotel, Yangon
Day 2 Thurs 10 Dec	Full day tour to Bagan by bus	
	Dinner @ Karaweik	Overnight @ Kandawqi Palace Hotel, Yangon
Day 3 Fri 11 Dec	Fly Yangon-Bagan on Air Bagan, depart Yangon 0645, ETA Bagan 0805	
	Visit temples in Bagan	Overnight Thande Hotel, Bagan
Day 4 Sat 12 Dec	Visit temples in Bagan	Overnight Thande Hotel, Bagan
Day 5 Sun 13 Dec	Overland by bus to Mount Popa	
	Talk by John Miksic	Overnight in Mt Popa Resort
Day 6 Mon 14 Dec	Overland by bus Mt Popa to Bagan	
	Fly Bagan-Yangon on Air Bagan, depart Bagan 1755, ETA Yangon 1915	Overnight @ Kandawqi Palace Hotel, Yangon
Day 7 Tues 15 Dec	In Yangon	
	Return to Singapore on Silkair MI517, depart Yangon 1640, ETA Singapore 2115	

About the tour leaders:

Dr John Miksic served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Malaysia from 1968 to 1972. He received his Ph.D. from Cornell University with a dissertation on *Archaeology, Trade, and Society in Northeast Sumatra*. He lived in Bengkulu for two years, in Yogyakarta for 6 years, and has lived in Singapore since 1987. He first taught in the Department of History, National University of Singapore, and in 1991 helped found the Southeast Asian Studies Programme, where he is Associate Professor. He has organized archaeological excavations and museum exhibitions in Southeast Asia. In his spare time, he translates scholarly articles into English from Indonesian, French and Dutch. In February 2009, he led the Southeast Asian Ceramic Society's Study Tour to Central Java.

Assistant Professor Goh Geok Yian joined the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at NTU in January 2008. She received her Bachelor degree with Honours in Southeast Asian Studies from NUS, and her Master and Ph.D. degrees from the Department of History, University of Hawai'i in Manoa. Her research interests include archaeology and early history of Southeast Asia, with particular focus on Burma and Southeast Asian mainland, world history and civilizations, classical and modern Burmese literature, and early communication, cultural, and trade networks between regions particularly those of Southeast Asia with the Indian Ocean and South China Sea regions.

Her areas of expertise are: early history of Burma and Southeast Asia, modern Southeast Asian history, China-Southeast Asia relations, early Buddhist networks in mainland and island Southeast Asia, and Burmese historical chronicles and novels. Her current research focuses on the study of Buddhist architecture and mural paintings of Bagan, a medieval Burmese kingdom. Her other research work includes the study of early urbanization and cities in Burma, particularly on comparison made with other contemporary Southeast Asian polities and the applicability of theoretical models. She is also working on an English translation of a 20th-century Burmese novel by a well-known author, Ma Sandar.



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TOUR COSTS, INCLUSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Tour cost includes accommodation, all meals (6 x Breakfast, 7 x lunch, 6 x Dinner), 2 domestic flights on Air Bagan, land transport for tours in Burma, tips, entrance tickets to museums and archaeological sites, airport taxes in Burma

Single Room = S\$2,250 per person
Double/twin room = S\$1,850 per person

This trip is open to members of the Southeast Asian Ceramic Society. If you are not a member and would like to join this Study Tour, contact Michelle Chin, Hon. Secretary via email: ceramic@seaceramic.org.sg for information on how to join the Society.

We will be accepting a maximum of 20 participants for this Study Tour. To confirm your place on this trip, make your cheque payable to: Southeast Asian Ceramic Society

and post to:

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ATTN: Marjorie Chu, Hon. Treasurer

And please send an email to Marjorie Chu (art@artforum.com.sg) to let her know that you have posted a cheque so that she can look out for it.

If you have any general questions about this study tour, please telephone Marjorie on +65 6737 3448 or hp +65 9620 2983

Tour cost does not include:

Airfare Singapore-Yangon return, Travel insurance, Visa fees. Please arrange these on your own.

If you need a travel agent, for the Central Java study tour (February 2009) SEACS used:

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