CERAMIC BOX LID is one of 12,000 artifacts recovered from a 12th-13th century shipwreck in the Java Sea and now housed in the Field Museum of Natural History's anthropology collection. Learn more at this week’s Friday brownbag. Details below. (Photo © Field Museum catalog no. 344733)

Artifacts at the bottom of the sea

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1. This week’s lecture: Ancient trade and a shipwreck in the Java Sea NEW

Anthropologist Lisa Niziolek of the Field Museum of Natural History will present “Ancient Maritime Trade Networks and the Java Sea Shipwreck” at noon Friday, March 30, in Room 100 Campus Life. Around 1200 CE, an ancient trading vessel foundered in the waters near Java and Sumatra and sank more than 85 feet to the bottom of the Java Sea. Eight centuries later, scientists have recovered more than 12,000 artifacts from the wreck site. The Field Museum’s anthropology collections now house more than half of these. Although most of the ship’s cargo was made up of high-fired ceramics from China, the traders on board also were transporting earthenware from Southeast Asia, elephant tusks, resin, perishables, and more than 200 tons of iron. Niziolek, who received her PhD in anthropology from the University of Illinois-Chicago, will discuss what she and other Field researchers are discovering about ancient maritime trade in Southeast Asia by studying the remains of this ship and the goods it carried. To order a Southeast Asian lunch, submit an online request by 6 p.m. Thursday at CSEAS Brown Bag Order. To cancel an order, you must do so online by 10 a.m. Friday. Cost is $5 for students and $7 for faculty, staff and others. Pay in cash or by check. For lunch details, e-mail cseasbrownbag@gmail.com.

2. Alumni Connect career chat this week NEW

You’re getting your minor or graduate certificate in Southeast Asian Studies—now what? Here is a chance to explore one pathway with someone who is living the dream. CSEAS alumnus Shaun Levine (MA political science, 2006) works for MetLife as head of government relations for Southeast Asia, based in Kuala Lumpur. Join him for an Alumni Connect career chat at 3 p.m. Monday, March 26, in The College Grind at the Holmes Student Center.

3. Get your Fulbright on: Student workshop April 5 NEW

Start thinking about that Fulbright fellowship early! The Division of International Affairs is hosting a workshop on the Student Fulbright Program at noon April 5 in Campus Life 100. The competitive fellowship program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State is and coordinated in the US by the Institute of International Education. Campus Fulbright Advisor and CSEAS affiliate Taylor Atkins will lead the workshop, which is open to undergraduate and graduate students. The campus deadline is Sept. 5, but students are advised to start working on their applications early. For information, contact Sarah Lindell at slindell@niu.edu or call her at 753-9526. See details on the International Affairs website.

4. Notes from all over NEW

Congratulations to Center for Burma Studies graduate assistant Carmin Berchiolly, who has successfully defended her thesis in art history, “Colonial Burma as Commodified Fetish: Reactivating Photographic Images Through the British Empire’s Orientalizing Gaze.” Berchiolly will receive her master’s degree in May. Undergraduate SEAYLP Scholar I Younan (political science) recorded an interview with Voice of America Cambodia while on the Political Science Department’s
spring break trip to Washington, DC. Younan, who will graduate in political science in December, said he talked about the importance of networking and offered tips on succeeding as a student. Currently the president of the Southeast Asia Club, Younan has been a Community Advisor for Housing and Residential Services and is involved in the National Residence Hall Honorary. He has been active in the Student Association and Model United Nations. He will receive the NIU Senior Leadership Award April 29 at the Kevin D. Knight Senior Leadership Awards ceremony. . . . Congratulations to fall 2016 PKPI Scholar Selvi Panggua (Makassar State University [UNM]), whose research article “Self-Assessed Professional Competence of the High School EFL Teachers in Toraja, Indonesia,” appears in the International Journal of English Linguistics, Vol. 8, No. 2 (2018). Panggua, who is on the faculty at Universitas Kristen Indonesia Toraja and completing her graduate work at UNM, researched her article while participating in the Center’s PKPI program. The article was co-authored by Basri Wello and Baso’ Jabu of UNM and NIU faculty mentor Doris Macdonald. . . . CSEAS alumnus Thomas Rhoden (PhD political science, 2016) has a review of Hidden Words Hidden Worlds: Contemporary Short Stories from Myanmar, edited by Lucas Stewart and Alfred Birnbaum (British Council, 2017) in the Asian Review of Books. In December, Rhoden published “Party Preference in Myanmar’s Democratization Context: Counterfactual Study of Burmese Diaspora Voters in Thailand” in the Taiwan Journal of Democracy (Vol. 13, No. 2). Rhoden currently lives in Atlanta, Ga., where he works for CARE.

5. Save the dates: Career talks, Fulbright workshop, student conference, cultural events NEW

- **March 27:** Conceptual artist Nirmal Raja presents “Memory Movement Location,” how migration and globalization play pivotal role in identity formation, 5 to 6 p.m., Capitol Room, Holmes Student Center. Sponsored by the Asian American Resource Center. NEW
- **March 29:** Environmental Science/Anthropology internship and career information talk, 4 p.m., DuSable 426. NEW
- **April 2:** Meet recruiters from the Peace Corps and other service groups, 5 p.m., Campus Life 100. Sponsored by NIU Career Services. NEW
- **April 5:** Student Fulbright Program workshop, Noon, Campus Life 100. Open to undergraduates and graduate students. Led by NIU Fulbright Campus Program Advisor Taylor Atkins. Sponsored by the Division of International Affairs. NEW
- **April 7:** Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Campus Life 100.
- **April 8:** New Year Water Festival, DeKalb Public Library. Sponsored by CSEAS, NIU Burma Interest Group and NIU Thai Studies Committee. FREE.
- **April 8:** World Music Concert, Boutell Memorial Concert Hall. FREE.
• April 13–20: SEAYLP Host Family Week.
• April 21–26: SEAYLP Global Youth Leadership Camp for area high school students.
• April 23: SEAYLP Culture Night, 6:30 p.m., location TBA. FREE.

6. Be a ‘home-bassador’: Seeking host families for SEAYLP
Join more than a dozen local families who have already signed up to be homestay hosts for the Center’s upcoming Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program (SEAYLP). CSEAS is still seeking households to host either a pair of high school students or an adult leader from 10 Southeast Asian countries for a week during SEAYLP 2018. Homestay dates are April 13–20. Hosts provide a bed for each participant, breakfast each day and most dinners, all meals during any weekend days at home, and transportation to and from class sessions at NIU. CSEAS can help with transportation to campus if that’s an issue.

**SEAYLP host family orientation is at 7 p.m. Monday, April 3, in the Sky Room, Holmes Student center.** You can find details and applications on the SEAYLP website. For details, contact SEAYLP Homestay Coordinators Jenny Ruff at SEAYLP@jennyruff.com or Drew Wells at wells.drew@gmail.com. You may also contact SEAYLP Administrative Director Anastasia Kocher at akocher1@niu.edu. Check out what local families have to say about being a homestay host in NIU Today. You’ll be glad you did!

7. Spring student conference set for April 7 in Campus Life 100
The papers are in and the Southeast Asia Club is gearing up for the Spring Southeast Asia Student Conference set for Saturday, April 7, in Campus Life 100. Conference sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m., with lunch served after the morning sessions. The conference is free and open to all. Emory University cultural anthropologist James Hoesterey will give the keynote address after lunch. Hoesterey, who received his PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is the author of *Rebranding Islam: Piety, Prosperity, and a Self-Help Guru* (Stanford University Press, 2015). He will present “Diplomacy, Soft Power, and the Making of ‘Moderate Islam’ in Indonesia.” The Graduate Colloquium is co-sponsoring Hoesterey’s appearance. Awards will be given for best undergraduate and graduate paper. For details, email niuseaclub@gmail.com (put Student Conference in the subject line).

8. Guest professor to teach summer POLS class

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**Top 10 reasons to be a host family**

10. You can experience a different culture without getting on an airplane
9. It beats watching “Survivor” reruns
8. You’ll be able to pick out Southeast Asia on a map
7. Your kids may start answering you in Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Lao, Malay, Thai, Tagalog or Vietnamese
6. You could become an expert at making mango sticky rice
5. It’s something different to write about on Facebook
4. You’ll be the envy of family and friends
3. It’s a good excuse for spring cleaning
2. Your family portrait could replace the flying corncob as the international symbol of DeKalb County
1. You’ll will make friendships of a lifetime
CSEAS and the Department of Political Science will welcome Professor Xu Ke from China’s Xiamen University in June to teach POLS 395, Contemporary Topics in Political Science—Selected Issues on China. The summer course will cover current security issues facing China and Southeast Asia in the areas of cybersecurity, health, the environment, energy, transnational crime, terrorism and society. It will run from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, June 18–28, in Room 422 DuSable. The class is cross-listed under HIST 391/591 and SEAS 490/690.

9. Latest podcast: Teaching about genocide and the Khmer Rouge
   In this special Southeast Asia Crossroads podcast focused on teaching about Southeast Asia, we talk to Cambodia expert and anthropologist Judy Ledgerwood as she explains how she teaches about genocide and the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. Accompanying lesson materials can be found on the CSEAS website (click on the link for Teaching about the Khmer Rouge under Lesson Plans and Curriculum). Check out our other podcasts as well. Our listenership keeps growing. Since the series’ inception in September 2016, Crossroads podcasts have been listened to more than 6,000 times with listeners in 70 countries.

10. Hmong exhibit on display through April 14 in Aurora
   A modified version of the Pick Museum of Anthropology’s 2016 exhibit “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” is now on display at Waubonsee Community College’s downtown Aurora location, 8 S. River St. The exhibit, In/Visibility: Hmong America and the Art of Storytelling, will be on display through April 14 and explores Hmong American identity through first-person reflections, textiles and artwork by Hmong American artist J. Tshab Her. The exhibit is free and open to the public through funding provided by the Pick Museum, the Dunham Fund and Waubonsee Community College.

11. Burnish your resumé with Southeast Asian Studies
   Add a Southeast Asian Studies minor to a bachelor’s degree or a graduate certificate to an advanced degree and pull your resumé to the top of the pile. Visit the CSEAS website or stop by CSEAS at 520 College View Court. Undergraduates should contact adviser Maria Nihei at mhancock3@niu.edu; graduate students should contact Assistant Director Jui-Ching Wang at jcwang@niu.edu.

12. Looking for a few good SEA manuscripts
   The Northern Illinois University Press is seeking quality scholarly but accessible book-length manuscripts in Southeast Asian Studies to consider for publication. Address inquiries to Kenton Clymer, editor, Southeast Asian Series, NIU Press, at kclymer@niu.edu.

13. Money for study NEW
   Institute of International Education
   - Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program: 2019–20 competition for awards open. For details of available awards, see catalog. Deadline to apply: Aug. 1. For details, contact NIU Campus Program Advisor Taylor Atkins at etatkins@niu.edu. NEW
• **Rotary Peace Fellowships:** Fully paid fellowships for master’s degree (up to two years) or professional development certificate studies (three months) offered through six universities worldwide. **Deadline to apply: May 31.** See [website](#). **NEW**

**Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University**

• **ENITAS, ENITS Scholarships:** Funding for graduate students and young scholars working on Thai-Tai and ASEAN studies. **Deadline to apply: April 30.** See [website](#). **NEW**

**East-West Center**

• **Affiliate Scholar Program:** Short-term affiliation with the East-West Center for graduate students from around the world to pursue thesis or dissertation research in 2018. **Revolving deadlines to submit.** See [website](#).

**ProFellow**

• **Dissertation Research Fellowships:** Check the ProFellow [website](#) for 30 different opportunities for dissertation research funding.

**14. Conferences, symposia, calls for papers** **NEW**

• **NIU Spring SEA Student Conference,** April 7, Campus Life 100. For details, email [niuseaclub@gmail.com](mailto:niuseaclub@gmail.com).

• **Midwest Political Science Association,** April 5–8, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago. See [website](#).

• **Kings and Dictators: The Legacy of Monarchy and New Authoritarianism in Asia,** April 13–14, Cornell University Kahin Center. See [website](#). **NEW**

• **Asia-Pacific Conference on Business & Social Science,** April 12–14, Kuala Lumpur. See [website](#).

• **Global Problems and Community Praxis: Local, National and International Approaches to Peace and Transcultural Communication,** April 19–20, NIU Naperville. Sponsored by NIU and Center for Peace and Transcultural Communication, Tetova University, Macedonia. Keynote speaker: Ambassador James Pardew.

• **Escaping the Homeland: Contesting Diasporic Narratives,** April 20–21, Yale University. 17th Northeastern Conference on Indonesia. See [website](#).


Asian Extremes: Climate, Meteorology and Disaster in History, May 17–18, National University of Singapore. See website.

International Conference on Business and Human Rights: Holding Governments Accountable in Asia, July 12–14, Bangkok. See website.

13th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies, July 23–27, National University of Singapore. See website.

13th International Burma Studies Conference, Aug. 3–5, Bangkok. Call for papers. Proposals for papers or panels due: April 15. See website. NEW

The Rohingya Crisis: A Multidimensional Tragedy, Aug 24, Asia Centre, Bangkok. See website.

UK Association of Southeast Asian Studies, Sept. 5–7, University of Leeds. Proposals and abstracts due: May 31. See website. NEW


Framing the Global, Sept. 27–29, Indiana University. Call for papers soon. Organized by IU Center for Study of Global Change and Indiana University Press, funded by the Mellon Foundation. Call for papers forthcoming. See website. NEW


InterAsian Connections VI: Hanoi, Dec. 4-7, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. See website.


15. Careers NEW
National University of Singapore

- **Assistant Professor Political Science**: Full-time, tenure-track position in comparative politics. Submit CV, samples of written work, four letters of recommendation and teaching evaluations and materials if available to Search Committee Chair at polbox12@nus.edu.sg. **Deadline to apply: March 31.** See [website](#).

Singapore Management University

- **Tenure-track Position**: Assistant, associate or full professor of humanities, School of Social Sciences, to begin July 2018. **Application review to begin March 5.** See [job listing](#).

Center for Strategic and International Studies

- **Internships**: Full- and part-time internships for undergraduates, advanced students and recent graduates who are interested in gaining practical experience in public policy. Based in Washington, DC. Rolling deadlines to apply. See [website](#).

Eurasia Group

- **Researcher, Political Risk Training Program**: One-year training assignment in political risk assessment with possibility of returning for second year. BA in political science, regional studies or economics with deep knowledge, some in-country experience and foreign language fluency of relevant country or sub-region. **Spring recruiting beginning now.** See [job listing](#).
- **Careers**: Submit your resume to be considered for other careers with Eurasia Group. See [website](#).

University of San Francisco

- **Assistant Professor International Studies**: Tenure track to begin August 2018. See [website](#).

Globaljobs.org

- **Job/internship opportunities**: Turn area studies into an internship or a career. See job listings at NGOs, think tanks, government, and private-sector employers. See [website](#).

Chinese Mutual Aid Association

- **Interns**: Pan-Asian social service organization accepting candidates for interns for business development, grant writing and workforce development and outreach liaison duties. Contact Michelle White at michellew@chinesemutualaid.org or 773-784-2900. See [website](#).

US Department of State

- **Student internship program**: Internship opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students at Washington headquarters and US embassies, consulates and missions worldwide. Explore postgraduate civil-service career paths as well. See [program website](#).

ASEAN/AEC

- **Job listings**: Check [website](#) frequently for open positions at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and ASEAN Secretariat (AEC).

Asia Society

- **Career opportunities**: Internships and jobs posted regularly on [website](#).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations

- Jobs listed under **Opportunities** tab of ASEAN website.

Devex: Do Good. Do It Well

- International aid and development jobs in 1,000 agencies, companies and NGOs in 100 countries. See [website](#).

DevMetJOBS.org

- International development jobs and consulting opportunities. See [website](#).
Hess International Educational Group
- **Teach English across Asia:** Taiwan-based organization offers free training, benefits, and flex scheduling. Email NIU alum Derek Wright at derek.wright@hess.com.tw or see website.

Idealist.org
- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. See the Idealist website.

Learn How to Become
- Privately funded website offers searchable database of meaningful volunteer and nonprofit career options and resources. See website.

ReliefWeb
- Specialized digital service of the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs that posts jobs regularly. See website.

World Health Organization
- Global health agency in the United Nations system encourages online applications for potential employment. See website.

16. Area cultural opportunities
- If you missed the “Storytelling: Hmong American Voices” exhibit at the NIU Pick Museum of Anthropology last year, you can see it at downtown Aurora campus of Waubonsee Community College, 8 S. River St., through **April 14**.
- Lunar New Year Celebration, 6 p.m. to midnight, **April 21**, Furama Restaurant, 4936 Broadway, Chicago. Sponsored by the Cambodian Association of Illinois. Food, cultural performances, and music. Tickets $50 for adults. For information, call 773-878-7090.
- Lantern Parade and Vesakha Day Celebration, 4 to 7 p.m., **May 19**, Blue Lotus Buddhist Temple & Meditation Center, 221 Dean St., Woodstock, IL 60098.
- The NIU Gamelan Ensemble will perform at noon **March 7** in the Student Center at Triton College, River Grove, part of the school’s World Music Series.
- Go behind the scenes of the Philippine Collections at the Field Museum. Contact the museum’s co-curation team at cocuration.philippines@fieldmuseum.org. To learn more about the museum’s Philippines work, see the co-curation team’s newsletter.
- Thai Cultural and Fine Arts Institute of Chicago offers classes in Thai language, dance and music among other programs. See website for details or phone 312-725-0640.
- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The Cambodian Association of Illinois also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.
- The Indonesian consulate in Chicago offers free Saturday classes: Indonesian language classes at 10:30 a.m. (intermediate) and 1 p.m. (children’s class); Indonesian traditional dance, 2 to 4 p.m.; and Javanese gamelan, 4 to 6 p.m. All classes held at the Indonesian Cultural Center, 711 W. Grand Avenue. Call 312-920-1880, ext. 104/105, or email icc@indonesiachicago.org. See the consulate’s Facebook page.
- Indonesian Dance of Illinois offers traditional dance and gamelan music lessons Saturdays in Evanston, Il. See website.
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