

Culture Wars in Taiwan: Languages, Literature, Identities, and the Politics of Memory

December 5, 2025

NTNU CLA Conference Room (B1, Cheng Building)

09:00-09:20 **REGISTRATION**

09:20-09:40 **OPENING CEREMONY**

Chair: Yin C. Chuang (莊佳穎)

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Opening Remarks: Yao-Ting Sung (宋曜廷)

Executive Vice President and Research Chair Professor at the Department of Educational Psychology and Counseling, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

09:40-10:40 **KEYNOTE SPEECH**

“Dialogue with AI Self: A sociologist starts to fight against AI who/which claims being himself”

Chair: Shih, Shu-Mei (史書美)

Chair Professor & Ministry of Education Yushan Fellow, Department of Taiwan Culture, Languages and Literature, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

Irving and Jean Stone Chair Professor in Humanities and Professor of Comparative Literature, Asian Languages and Cultures, and Asian American Studies, UCLA

Keynote Speaker: Shunya Yoshimi (吉見俊哉)

Former Vice-president and Retired Professor of Interfaculty Initiative in Information Studies, the University of Tokyo

Professor, Department of Tourism and Community Development, Kokugakuin University



10:40-11:00 TEA AND COFFEE BREAK

11:00-12:20 PANEL 1

Postcolonial Afterlives: Heritage, Nostalgia, and Memory-Making Across Taiwan and Beyond

Chair: Corrado Neri (克漢東) , Directeur CEFC Taipei

“Heritage in the Decolonial Turn: Reflections on The Dutch Legacy”

Ann Heylen (賀安娟)

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“(Re)Coloring the Colonial Past: Japanese Nostalgia, Modernity Revival, and the Making of “Taiwanese”

Yoshihisa Amae (天江喜久)

Department of Taiwan Culture, Languages and Literature, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

“Cinematic Memory and Post-Authoritarian Identity: Taiwan and Spain in Dialogue Through 21st-Century Film”

Sergio Pérez Torres (裴紹武)

Department of Taiwan Culture, Languages and Literature, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

12:20-13:30 LUNCH BREAK

13:30-14:50 PANEL 2

Taiwanese through a Taiwanese Lens

Chair: Wei-Cheng Sam Jheng (鄭偉成) , Head of Department of English and Literature, Fu Jen Catholic University



“Between Global Aspiration and Local Erasure: The Sociolinguistic Contradictions of Taiwan’s Bilingual Nation Policy”

Huilu Khoo (許慧如)

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“On Particles that are Microcosms of Sentences”

Seng-hian Lau (劉承賢)

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“Prosodic boundary effect on tonal neutralization in Taiwanese”

Yu-ying Chuang (莊育穎)

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14:50-15:10 TEA AND COFFEE BREAK

15:10-16:30 PANEL 3

The Making of Taiwan: Identities and Cultural Politics

Chair: Craig A. Smith (史峻) , Asia Institute, University of Melbourne

“The Absence of Narrative Heroes in Recovered Multi-Culturalism: dialogic heteroglossia, multi-linguistic contexts, and the perpetual mission incompleteness in Taiwanese TV dramas”

Huey-Rong Chen (陳慧蓉)

Department of Journalism , Chinese Culture University

“One China, with Respective Interpretations:’ Taiwan’s Perceptions of



China- as an Absent Fatherland, through the Century of Humiliation, and in REDnote”

Yin C. Chuang (莊佳穎)

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“More Local, More Clientelistic? How Clientelism Tolerance Differs by Election Levels in Taiwan”

Sanho Chung (鍾桑豪)

Postdoctoral Fellow, International Taiwan Studies Center, NTNU

16:30-16:40 CLOSING CEREMONY

Chair: Ann Heylen (賀安娟)

Executive Director, International Taiwan Studies Center,
National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

Closing Remarks: Tsong-han Lee (李宗翰)

Deputy Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Professor, Department of History, National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU)

17:30 BANQUET
