

Asian Studies

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Saturday, March 14, 2009
Florida International University
Room - Faculty Club

Light Breakfast 8:30-9:00

Welcoming Remarks 9:00-9:15

- Steven Heine, Director of Asian Studies

Keynote Speaker 9:30-10:30

- Marvin Sterling, Indiana University

Panel 1: Sacred Space in Japan 10:30-12:30

- Featured Speaker: Jacqueline Stone, Princeton University, *"From Marginal Land to World Center: Japan in the Medieval Religious Imagination"*
- Steven Heine, Florida International University, *Sacred Sites in Two Tokyo Neighborhoods: Akasaka and Inarichô*
- John Tucker, East Carolina University, *The Ako Vendetta in the Age of Hello Kitty - The 47 Black Cats Clash: Popular Culture at the Sengakuji and Kagakuji Temples*
- Respondent: Kenneth Holloway, Florida Atlantic University

Lunch 12:30-1:30 (Invited Guests Only)

Panel 2: Gender, Play, and Popular Culture in Japan Today 1:30-4:00

- Jan Bardsley, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, *Maiko Pop: The Revival of Kyoto's Dancing Girl*
- Kinko Ito, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, *Framing the Sensual: Japanese Sexuality in Ladies' Comics*
- Yuki Watanabe, University of Texas at Dallas, *Reconstructing the "Masculine" Narrative in Contemporary Popular Culture in Japan: The Case of Harim Anime and Manga*
- Inger Brodey, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, *Emma: The New Face of Jane Austen in Japan*
- Respondent: Laura Miller, Loyola University of Chicago