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Asia Society Acknowledgements

ON STAGE WITH POTUS AND FLOTUS:

- Chairman John Whitehead and wife, Nancy
- President Robert Oxnam [OX-num]
- Vice Chairman Peter Aaron [AIR-un]

(Other Vice Chairman Ward Woods will not be there)

Secretary Mosbacher may be there

AMONG THE 800-900 AUDIENCE MEMBERS WILL BE:

- Ambassadors from approximately 30 Asia-Pacific countries

PER ADVANCE AND PER ASIA SOCIETY -- NO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS OR CABINET MEMBERS ATTENDING AT THIS POINT (11/12/91, 9:00 a.m.)

2. The U.S. and Asian economies are becoming increasingly integrated, and we must remain economically engaged with the region in order to be competitive.

- ✓ -- The Asia-Pacific market is the most rapidly growing export market in the world and American businessmen who ignore it do so at their peril.
- ✓ -- Trade with Asia now accounts for over 34% of total U.S. trade. In 1990, two way trade stood at over \$300 billion -- a third more than with Western Europe. We traded more with Singapore than with Italy or Spain. We exported more to Malaysia than to the USSR and more to Indonesia than to Eastern Europe.
- ✓ -- We face our stiffest competition from the dynamic economies of East Asia in such key sectors as automobiles, electronics, and computers as well as textiles. When this competition is conducted fairly it is beneficial to the American consumer and to the American economy overall.
- ✓ -- We still face many informal barriers to American products and services in Asian markets, and we are continuing vigorous efforts to bring these barriers down. In this context, a successful conclusion to the Uruguay Round is our number one international economic policy objective.
- Detail on APEC? < -- The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation initiative, or APEC, is the crystalization of our shared economic interests and the most effective way of improving regional economic cooperation.
- ✓ -- Economic engagement is a two way street. While seeking freer trade practices among our Asian partners, we must take steps to improve our competitiveness, increase our savings and investment, and renovate our educational system. Our business community should rededicate itself to maintaining our economic standing in the region.

3. Partnership with our East Asian friends and allies is essential to achieving our objectives on global and regionwide issues -- strengthening global security and the international economic system, democracy and human rights, environment, and narcotics.

✓ -- With a combined GNP of over 40% of the world's GNP, leading edge technologies, and a growing Asian interest in playing a global role, we and our East Asian friends have a great opportunity to join a partnership with like-minded countries throughout the Pacific and international communities.

~ ~ ~ -- Substantial financial, material, and political support for our effort in the Gulf reflects the region's recognition that Saddam's aggression constituted a threat to global stability.

4. America's human connections with Asia are growing.

data - ✓ -- Asian-Americans are the fastest growing population group in the U.S. and one of the most successful. More Asian are studying in the U.S. than from any other area. More Americans are studying in Asia than ever before.

detail - -- America of the 21st century will and must look as much to Asia as to Europe, Latin America, and Africa for its heritage.

Proposed Inserts for President's November 12 Asia Society Speech

On Financial Services:

As we work with the Asian economies to expand global trade and the benefits it brings to all nations, we must also focus on liberalizing our financial markets. U.S. banks and securities firms must be allowed to enter and compete in Asia's financial markets on a level playing-field, and they must be given the opportunity to offer a full range of financial products.

[Separate line on Yen/Dollar

Although there has been progress in liberalizing Asia's most important financial market, Japan, there is still a need for much greater transparency and openness to foreign firms. The regulation of Japan's financial markets remains needlessly complex and restrictive. Further action to make Japan's markets more open would convey to the Japanese public and the international financial community that Japan is determined to internationalize its markets.]

On Structural Impediments Initiative:

The Structural Impediments Initiative is a cooperative endeavor between the United States and Japan, designed to reduce structural barriers to trade, investment and balance of payments adjustment. There has been progress in addressing these barriers, but more needs to be done to expand the process, reach new commitments to liberalize, and make it more adaptable to the dynamic nature of our economic relationship.

POINTS TO BE MADE FOR
CONVERSATION WITH
DAVID BRINKLEY

General

- The upcoming fiftieth anniversary of Pearl Harbor is a moment for somber reflection on the past. But it is also an occasion to reflect on how far U.S.-Japan relations have come since 1945 and on the opportunities for cooperation ahead.
- We have built peace and prosperity across the Pacific since the end of the war. We have done that by staying engaged and working closely with Japan.
- I am greatly looking forward to my visit to Japan and see it as an opportunity to inaugurate a new era in our relationship.
- With the passing of Emperor Hirohito in 1989, Japan has entered a new reign with new symbols and a fresh perspective. I think we should join with the Japanese to look ahead -- not backward. We should learn from the lessons of the past and stay positively engaged in Asia.
- As the two largest economies in the world and because of our many shared interests and values, Japan and the United States have a unique role to play in addressing global and regional problems and in creating a more stable and prosperous world.
- There are of course competitive elements in our relationship, and economic and trade issues must be

addressed. There is a tendency, however, in our two nations to spotlight our differences rather than to focus on what we are already doing together and the opportunities we have for a bright future.

- We have a solid record of accomplishment over the past 18 months. Prime Minister Kaifu and I identified 15 issue areas concerning economics and trade when we met at palm springs. All have been satisfactorily resolved.
- I have every hope and expectation of working closely with my good friend, Prime Minister Miyazawa.

Political/Security

- Japan and the United States already cooperate on a wide range of global issues -- from development assistance and environmental protection to arms control and refugees.
- The U.S. and Japan are the largest foreign assistance donors in the world, and we increasingly coordinate our assistance programs to ensure the most efficient allocation of our limited aid resources.
- We are working closely with respect to the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe, the Philippines, Central America, and Mongolia, and we are cooperating closely in the Cambodian peace process.
- In the field of arms control, we note that Japan has announced a new policy linking foreign assistance to issues of arms sales, military establishment size, and democratization.

- The U.S. has forward-deployed forces in Japan - over 50,000 soldiers, sailors, air force personnel and marines.
- Japan's host nation support for our forces, the most generous of any ally, comes to more than \$3 billion each year.
- Japan contributed nearly \$13 billion in support of the multinational forces and the front-line states during the gulf war. \$10 billion of that went directly to the United States. In fact, Japan contributed more financially to the gulf effort than any other non-gulf state.

Economic and Trade

- ✓ -- U.S. and Japan comprise 40 percent of global economic output.
- ✓ -- Japan is our second largest market after Canada; it is our best agricultural customer.
- ✓ -- Fifty-eight percent of U.S. exports to Japan are manufactured goods.
- American business is engaging Japan in competition. We do not avoid competition or seek protection from it.
- ✓ -- For example, about 25 new American ventures are established in Japan each year in the electronics industry.
- We are concerned that our bilateral deficit with Japan is increasing slightly and that Japan's global surplus is on the rise.

- Our trade deficit with Japan fell steadily from \$57 billion in 1987 to \$41 billion in 1990. U.S. Exports to Japan rose from \$28 billion in 1987 to about \$48 billion in 1990.
- We are concerned that, as the U.S. economy begins to recover and Japanese imports remain low, our deficit ✓ with Japan will grow. We need Japan's markets to be more receptive to our goods.

Conclusion

- In the post-cold war world, it will be even more important than it was earlier for our two countries to pursue their global partnership across the range of strategic, political, and economic issues. We have already made a good start.

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- THE UPCOMING FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF PEARL HARBOR IS A MOMENT FOR SOMBER REFLECTION ON THE PAST. BUT IT IS ALSO AN OCCASION TO REFLECT ON HOW FAR U.S.-JAPAN RELATIONS HAVE COME SINCE 1945 AND ON THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION AHEAD.
- WE HAVE BUILT PEACE AND PROSPERITY ACROSS THE PACIFIC SINCE THE END OF THE WAR. WE HAVE DONE THAT BY STAYING ENGAGED AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH JAPAN.
- I AM GREATLY LOOKING FORWARD TO MY VISIT TO JAPAN AND SEE IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO INAUGURATE A NEW ERA IN OUR RELATIONSHIP.

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- WITH THE PASSING OF EMPEROR HIROHITO IN 1989, JAPAN HAS ENTERED A NEW REIGN WITH NEW SYMBOLS AND A FRESH PERSPECTIVE. I THINK WE SHOULD JOIN WITH THE JAPANESE TO LOOK AHEAD -- NOT BACKWARD. WE SHOULD LEARN FROM THE LESSONS OF THE PAST AND STAY POSITIVELY ENGAGED IN ASIA.
- AS THE TWO LARGEST ECONOMIES IN THE WORLD AND BECAUSE OF OUR MANY SHARED INTERESTS AND VALUES, JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE A UNIQUE ROLE TO PLAY IN ADDRESSING GLOBAL AND REGIONAL PROBLEMS AND IN CREATING A MORE STABLE AND PROSPEROUS WORLD.
- THERE ARE OF COURSE COMPETITIVE ELEMENTS IN OUR RELATIONSHIP, AND ECONOMIC AND TRADE ISSUES MUST BE ADDRESSED. THERE IS A TENDENCY, HOWEVER, IN OUR TWO NATIONS TO SPOTLIGHT OUR DIFFERENCES RATHER THAN TO FOCUS ON WHAT WE ARE ALREADY DOING TOGETHER AND THE OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE.

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POLITICAL/SECURITY

- JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES ALREADY COOPERATE ON A WIDE RANGE OF GLOBAL ISSUES -- FROM DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO ARMS CONTROL AND REFUGEES.
- THE U.S. AND JAPAN ARE THE LARGEST FOREIGN ASSISTANCE DONORS IN THE WORLD, AND WE INCREASINGLY COORDINATE OUR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO ENSURE THE MOST EFFICIENT ALLOCATION OF OUR LIMITED AID RESOURCES.

- WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH RESPECT TO THE SOVIET UNION, EASTERN EUROPE, THE PHILIPPINES, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND MONGOLIA, AND WE ARE COOPERATING CLOSELY IN THE CAMBODIAN PEACE PROCESS.
- IN THE FIELD OF ARMS CONTROL, WE NOTE THAT JAPAN HAS ANNOUNCED A NEW POLICY LINKING FOREIGN ASSISTANCE TO ISSUES OF ARMS SALES, MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT SIZE, AND DEMOCRATIZATION.
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ECONOMIC AND TRADE

- U.S. AND JAPAN COMPRISE 40 PERCENT OF GLOBAL ECONOMIC OUTPUT.
- JAPAN IS OUR SECOND LARGEST MARKET AFTER CANADA; IT IS OUR BEST AGRICULTURAL CUSTOMER.
- FIFTY-EIGHT PERCENT OF U.S. EXPORTS TO JAPAN ARE MANUFACTURED GOODS.
- AMERICAN BUSINESS IS ENGAGING JAPAN IN COMPETITION. WE DO NOT AVOID COMPETITION OR SEEK PROTECTION FROM IT.
- FOR EXAMPLE, ABOUT 25 NEW AMERICAN VENTURES EACH YEAR ARE ESTABLISHED IN JAPAN IN THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY.

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CONCLUSION

- IN THE POST-COLD WAR WORLD, IT WILL BE EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN IT WAS EARLIER FOR OUR TWO COUNTRIES TO PURSUE THEIR GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP ACROSS THE RANGE OF STRATEGIC, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC ISSUES. WE HAVE ALREADY MADE A GOOD START.

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Country in Asia	Export 80-90 % Change	Import 80-90 % Change	Volume 80-90 % Change
Australia	108.78	76.61	96.54
Brunei	104.29	-65.71	-31.71
Burma	-31.03	155.56	13.16
China	28.05	1338.94	316.27
Hong Kong	154.65	101.53	120.83
Indonesia	36.18	-35.50	-20.32
Japan	134.89	190.46	168.16
Laos	0.00	-100.00	0.00
Macao	300.00	545.61	541.38
Malaysia	165.30	103.95	124.38
New Zealand	90.74	70.80	79.94
Philippines	24.41	93.42	56.72
Singapore	169.73	412.18	264.90
South Korea	225.62	334.52	279.03
Taiwan	172.28	228.79	207.34
Thailand	174.40	549.57	334.91

Derived from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce

U.S. Bilateral Trade with Countries in Asia
(for 1980 and 1990 in \$US Million)

Country in Asia	Export80	Import80	Export90	Import90
Australia	\$4,088 AUS	\$2,510	\$8,535	\$4,433
Brunei	\$70 BRU	\$280	\$143	\$96
Burma	\$29 BUR	\$9	\$20	\$23
China	\$3,754 PRC	\$1,058	\$4,807	\$15,224
Hong Kong	\$2,686 HKG	\$4,708	\$6,840	\$9,488
Indonesia	\$1,393 INDSIA	\$5,183	\$1,897	\$3,343
Japan	\$20,684 JPN	\$30,667	\$48,585	\$89,655
Laos	\$0 LAOS	\$1	\$1	\$0
Macao	\$2 MACAO	\$114	\$8	\$736
Malaysia	\$1,291 MLS	\$2,585	\$3,425	\$5,272
New Zealand	\$594 NZL	\$702	\$1,133	\$1,199
Philippines	\$1,987 PHL	\$1,749	\$2,472	\$3,383
Singapore	\$2,973 SNGP	\$1,921	\$8,019	\$9,839
South Korea	\$4,422 KOR	\$4,256	\$14,399	\$18,493
Taiwan	\$4,217 TWN	\$6,894	\$11,482	\$22,667
Thailand	\$1,090 THAI	\$815	\$2,991	\$5,294

Derived from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce

U.S. Bilateral Trade Volume with Countries in Asia
 (for 1980 and 1990 in \$US Million)

Country in Asia	Volume80 (X+M)	Volume90 (X+M)
Australia	\$6,598	\$12,968
Brunei	\$350	\$239
Burma	\$38	\$43
China	\$4,812	\$20,031
Hong Kong	\$7,394	\$16,328
Indonesia	\$6,576	\$5,240
Japan	\$51,551	\$138,240
Laos	\$1	\$1
Macao	\$116	\$744
Malaysia	\$3,876	\$8,697
New Zealand	\$1,296	\$2,332
Philippines	\$3,736	\$5,855
Singapore	\$4,894	\$17,858
South Korea	\$8,678	\$32,892
Taiwan	\$11,111	\$34,149
Thailand	\$1,905	\$8,285

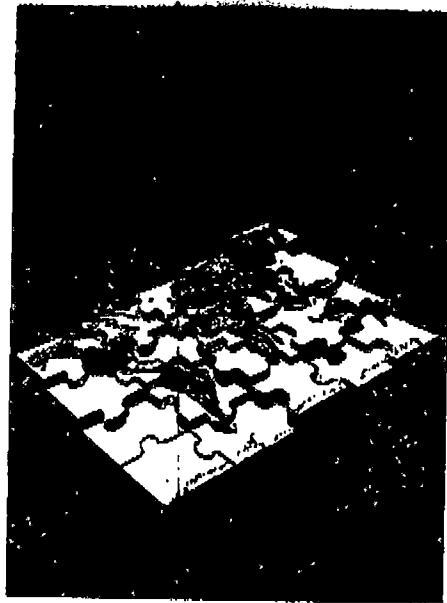
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Real GNP Growth, Average Annual Real
1980-1990 GNP Growth, 1980-90

Australia	41.0%	✓	3.5%
Hong Kong*	89.2%	✓	6.6%
Japan	51.9%	✓	4.3%
Korea	149.9%	✓	9.6%
Malaysia	59.7%	✓	4.8%
Singapore**	93.0%	✓	6.8%
Taiwan	116.1%	✓	8.0%

*GDP

**End year is 1989



World Development Report 1991
The Challenge of Development

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Oxford University Press

ICP estimates of GDP per capita^a

	United States = 100		Current International dollars 1989	Percentage share of household income, by percentile group of households ^b						
	1985	1989		Year	Lowest 20 percent	Second quintile	Third quintile	Fourth quintile	Highest 20 percent	Highest 10 percent
Low-income economies										
China and India										
Other low-income										
1	Mozambique	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2	Ethiopia	1.6	1.6	330	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	Tanzania	2.6	2.3	490	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	Somalia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5	Bangladesh	5.0	4.7	960	1985-86 ^c	10.0	13.7	17.2	21.9	37.2
6	Laos PDR	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7	Malawi	3.6	3.2	660	..	..	..	..	..	..
8	Nepal	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9	Chad	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10	Burundi	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11	Sierra Leone	3.0	2.6	540	..	..	..	..	..	..
12	Madagascar	3.9	3.4	700	..	..	..	..	..	..
13	Nigeria	7.2	6.2	1,290	..	..	..	..	..	..
14	Uganda	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15	Zaire	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16	Mali	2.4	2.5	520	..	..	..	..	..	..
17	Niger	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
18	Burkina Faso	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
19	Rwanda	3.8	3.0	620	..	..	..	..	..	..
20	India	4.5	4.7	980	1983 ^c	8.1	12.3	16.3	22.0	41.4
21	China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26.7
22	Haiti	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
23	Kenya	5.3	5.2	1,070	..	..	..	..	..	..
24	Pakistan	8.1	8.2	1,700	1984-85 ^d	7.8	11.2	15.0	20.6	45.6
25	Benin	6.5	5.0	1,040	..	..	..	..	..	31.3
26	Central African Rep.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
27	Ghana	..	..	..	1987-88 ^c	6.5	10.9	15.7	22.3	44.6
28	Togo	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29.1
29	Zambia	4.7	4.3	900	..	..	..	..	..	..
30	Guinea	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
31	Sri Lanka	11.2	10.5	2,160	1985-86 ^c	4.8	8.5	12.1	18.4	56.1
32	Lesotho	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	43.0
33	Indonesia	..	..	..	1987 ^c	8.8	12.4	16.0	21.5	41.3
34	Mauritania	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26.5
35	Afghanistan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
36	Bhutan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
37	Kampuchea, Dem.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
38	Liberia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
39	Myanmar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
40	Sudan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
41	Viet Nam	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Middle-income economies										
Lower-middle-income										
42	Angola	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
43	Bolivia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
44	Egypt, Arab Rep.	15.8	15.3	3,160	..	..	..	..	..	..
45	Senegal	7.0	6.5	1,340	..	..	..	..	..	..
46	Yemen, Rep.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
47	Zimbabwe	9.9	8.8	1,830	..	..	..	..	..	..
48	Philippines	10.8	11.0	2,280	1985 ^d	5.5	9.7	14.8	22.0	48.0
49	Côte d'Ivoire	10.2	8.2	1,700	1986-87 ^c	5.0	8.0	13.1	21.3	52.7
50	Dominican Rep.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32.1
51	Morocco	13.1	12.5	2,590	1984-85 ^d	9.8	13.0	16.4	21.4	39.4
52	Papua New Guinea	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25.4
53	Honduras	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
54	Guatemala	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
55	Congo, People's Rep.	16.4	12.8	2,650	1979-81	5.5	8.6	12.2	18.7	55.0
56	Syrian Arab Rep.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40.8
57	Cameroon	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
58	Peru	14.0	10.0	2,070	..	..	..	..	..	..
59	Ecuador	..	..	..	1985-86 ^c	4.4	8.5	13.7	21.5	51.9
60	Namibia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35.8
61	Paraguay	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
62	El Salvador	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
63	Colombia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
64	Thailand	16.0	20.2	4,190	1988 ^e	4.0	8.7	13.5	20.8	53.0
65	Jamaica	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37.1
66	Tunisia	19.8	18.0	3,720	1988 ^e	5.4	9.9	14.4	21.2	49.2
67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33.4

Note: For data comparability and coverage, see the technical notes. Figures in italics are for years other than those specified.

Country	ICP estimate of GDP per capita ^a		Current International dollars 1989		Percentage share of household income, by percentile group of households ^b										
	United States = 100		1989		Year	Lowest 20 percent					Highest 20 percent				
	1985	1989	1985	1989		1985-86	2.5	6.5	11.8	20.2	59.0	42.8			
67 Turkey	21.8	22.3	4,610	4,610	1985-86	2.5	6.5	11.8	20.2	59.0	42.8				
68 Botswana	16.1	19.3	3,990	3,990	1985-86	2.5	6.5	11.8	20.2	59.0	42.8				
69 Jordan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
70 Panama	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
71 Chile	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
72 Costa Rica	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
73 Poland	24.5	24.0	4,980	4,980	1986 ^c	3.3	8.3	13.2	20.7	34.5	38.8				
74 Mauritius	24.8	29.1	6,030	6,030	1987 ^c	9.7	14.2	18.0	22.9	35.2	21.0				
75 Mexico	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
76 Argentina	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
77 Malaysia	..	..	..	..	1987 ^c	4.6	9.3	13.9	21.2	51.2	34.8
78 Algeria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
79 Bulgaria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
80 Lebanon	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
81 Mongolia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
82 Nicaragua	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Upper-middle-income															
83 Venezuela	..	..	..	..	1987 ^c	4.7	9.2	14.0	21.5	50.6	34.2
84 South Africa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
85 Brazil	..	..	..	..	1983	2.4	5.7	10.7	18.6	62.6	46.2
86 Hungary	31.2	30.0	6,200	6,200	1983 ^c	10.9	15.3	18.7	22.8	32.4	18.7				
87 Uruguay	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
88 Yugoslavia	29.2	23.7	5,320	5,320	1987 ^c	6.1	11.0	16.5	23.7	42.8	26.6				
89 Gabon	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
90 Iran, Islamic Rep.	27.9	21.4	4,430	4,430	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
91 Thailand and Tobago	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
92 Czechoslovakia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
93 Portugal	33.8	37.2	7,700	7,700	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
94 Korea, Rep.	24.1	32.3	6,720	6,720	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
95 Oman	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
96 Libya	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
97 United	35.5	34.2	7,090	7,090	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
98 Iraq	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
99 Romania	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Low- and middle-income															
Sub-Saharan Africa															
East Asia															
South Asia															
Europe, M. East, & N. Africa															
Latin America & Caribbean															
Specially indebted															
High-income economies															
OECD members															
Other															
100 Saudi Arabia	40.9	41.3	8,340	8,340	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
101 Ireland	46.0	51.2	10,600	10,600	1980-81	6.9	12.5	17.3	23.2	40.0	24.5				
102 Spain	..	..	..	..	1979	6.0	12.1	17.8	24.5	39.6	23.5
103 Israel	..	..	..	..	1980	5.4	10.8	15.2	21.6	47.0	31.3
104 Hong Kong	61.7	75.7	15,660	15,660	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
105 Singapore	60.9	56.9	11,780	11,780	1982-83	5.1	9.9	14.6	21.4	48.9	33.5				
106 New Zealand	71.1	68.0	14,290	14,290	1981-82	5.1	10.8	16.2	23.2	44.7	28.7				
107 Australia	66.1	68.0	14,070	14,070	1985	4.4	11.1	17.5	24.8	42.2	25.8				
108 United Kingdom	65.6	67.3	13,920	13,920	1979	5.8	11.5	18.2	23.0	39.5	23.3				
109 Italy	68.2	65.9	13,630	13,630	1986	6.8	12.0	16.7	23.5	41.0	23.3				
110 Netherlands	..	..	..	..	1983	6.9	13.2	17.9	23.7	38.3	23.0
111 Kuwait	64.7	66.1	13,680	13,680	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
112 Belgium	66.1	66.3	13,710	13,710	1978-79	7.9	13.7	18.6	23.8	36.0	21.5				
113 Austria	69.3	70.0	14,480	14,480	1979	6.3	12.1	17.2	23.5	40.8	25.5				
114 France	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
115 United Arab Emirates	92.5	92.9	19,230	19,230	1987	5.7	11.8	17.7	24.6	40.2	24.1				
116 Canada	73.8	73.5	15,270	15,270	1984	6.8	12.7	17.8	24.1	38.7	23.4				
117 Germany	74.2	69.3	14,340	14,340	1981	5.4	12.0	18.4	25.6	38.6	22.3				
118 Denmark	100.0	100.0	20,990	20,990	1985	4.7	11.0	17.4	25.0	41.9	25.0				
119 United States	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
120 Sweden	76.9	75.7	15,670	15,670	1981	8.0	13.2	17.4	24.5	36.9	20.8				
121 Finland	69.5	73.6	15,230	15,230	1981	6.3	12.1	18.4	25.5	37.6	21.7				
122 Norway	84.4	83.3	17,280	17,280	1979	6.2	12.8	18.9	25.3	36.7	21.2				
123 Japan	71.5	75.9	15,710	15,710	1979	8.7	13.2	17.5	23.1	37.5	22.4				
124 Switzerland	..	..	..	..	1982	5.2	11.7	16.4	22.1	44.6	29.8
Other economies															
World															
OE estimates (end, US\$)															

a. ICP refers to the United Nations' International Comparison Program. Data for 1985 are preliminary Phase V results; those for 1989 are estimated from the 1985 values. b. These estimates should be treated with caution; see technical notes for details of different distribution measures. c. Data refer to per capita expenditure. d. Data refer to household expenditure. e. Data refer to per capita income.

Table 11. U.S. Exports of Domestic and Foreign Merchandise by Areas and Countries,
F.A.S. Transaction Values

(Millions of dollars)

Area and country	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
Exports, total, including "special category".....	108,113	115,413	121,293	143,766	182,023	220,786	233,739
Developed countries.....	55,218	70,417	74,891	85,585	110,579	130,844	135,840
Developing countries.....	39,241	40,390	43,307	52,895	62,982	81,125	88,972
OPEC.....	10,765	12,560	14,020	16,655	15,055	17,759	21,533
Other developing countries.....	28,476	27,830	29,286	36,240	47,927	63,366	67,439
CANADA.....	21,785	24,130	25,788	28,374	33,096	35,395	39,564
19 AMERICAN REPUBLICS.....	15,680	15,511	16,371	20,185	26,259	36,030	38,950
Argentina.....	628	544	731	842	1,890	2,625	2,192
Bolivia.....	138	133	214	208	146	172	189
Brazil.....	3,062	2,820	2,490	2,981	3,442	4,344	3,798
Chile.....	533	508	520	725	866	1,354	1,465
Colombia.....	643	703	782	1,046	1,409	1,736	1,771
Costa Rica.....	212	255	323	335	413	498	373
Dominican Republic.....	453	432	424	473	610	795	772
Ecuador.....	410	415	565	609	696	864	854
El Salvador.....	194	232	314	366	352	272	308
Guatemala.....	255	334	377	398	467	553	559
Haiti.....	144	150	203	204	243	311	301
Honduras.....	151	162	240	288	324	379	349
Mexico.....	5,159	5,007	4,822	6,680	9,847	15,145	17,789
Nicaragua.....	156	169	223	184	100	250	184
Panama.....	317	358	346	438	528	699	844
Paraguay.....	33	38	51	90	128	109	108
Peru.....	896	573	500	501	720	1,172	1,486
Uruguay.....	51	54	74	90	127	183	163
Venezuela.....	2,243	2,628	3,172	3,728	3,934	4,573	5,445
OTHER WESTERN HEMISPHERE.....	1,444	1,481	1,592	1,835	2,200	2,688	3,152
Bahamas.....	208	199	224	284	334	396	441
Barbados.....	36	49	59	79	120	136	136
Belize (British Honduras).....	26	23	31	41	67	58	69
Bermuda.....	63	79	87	109	121	136	150
Canal Zone.....	(4)	5	(4)	1	(4)	(X)	(X)
Cuba.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Falkland Islands.....	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(7)	(2)
French Guiana.....	3	3	5	5	8	15	17
French West Indies.....	26	32	34	47	59	67	69
Greenland.....	8	4	3	1	1	4	1
Guyana.....	89	95	62	54	74	96	106
Jamaica.....	381	301	293	313	330	364	543
Leeward and Windward Islands.....	41	38	65	79	98	152	282
Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands.....	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)
Netherlands Antilles.....	228	248	304	377	412	448	499
Surinam.....	79	93	119	115	114	137	138
Trinidad and Tobago.....	256	309	306	330	462	680	688
WESTERN EUROPE.....	30,330	32,877	34,760	39,929	54,342	67,512	65,377
European OECD countries.....	29,761	32,722	34,346	39,405	53,512	66,634	64,548
European Economic Community.....	23,872	26,225	27,631	32,747	43,405	54,601	52,363
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	2,442	3,010	3,138	3,653	5,187	6,661	5,764
Denmark.....	445	444	532	585	732	863	887
France.....	3,031	3,446	3,503	4,166	5,567	7,485	7,341
Germany, Federal Republic of.....	5,267	5,717	5,989	6,957	8,478	10,960	10,277
Greece.....	450	591	539	699	812	922	676
Ireland.....	190	280	378	527	695	836	1,025
Italy.....	2,867	3,071	2,790	3,361	4,362	5,511	5,360
Netherlands.....	4,194	4,643	4,812	5,683	6,917	8,669	8,595
United Kingdom.....	4,786	4,973	5,951	7,116	10,635	12,694	12,439

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(Millions of dollars)

Area and country	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
WESTERN EUROPE--Continued							
Other Western Europe.....							
Austria.....	6,658	6,463	7,129	7,183	10,941	12,916	13,013
Azores.....	181	197	245	260	312	448	484
Cyprus.....	3	1	4	3	2	3	9
Finland.....	16	21	23	25	42	70	86
Gibraltar.....	261	243	194	215	337	505	613
Iceland.....	1	1	1	1	2	4	53
Malta and Gozo.....	32	35	36	39	48	79	71
Norway.....	22	28	29	21	27	26	33
Portugal.....	510	500	541	558	688	847	892
Spain.....	427	400	551	525	691	911	1,074
Sweden.....	2,164	2,020	1,875	1,884	2,506	3,179	3,397
Switzerland.....	925	1,029	1,101	1,091	1,515	1,767	1,842
Turkey.....	1,181	1,238	1,749	1,728	3,660	3,781	3,022
Yugoslavia.....	608	451	424	358	354	540	789
	328	298	357	475	757	756	848
COMMUNIST AREAS IN EUROPE²							
Albania.....	2,787	3,504	2,544	3,679	5,684	3,860	4,338
Bulgaria.....	1	1	2	5	10	7	6
Czechoslovakia.....	30	43	24	48	57	161	258
Comm. Democratic Republic.....	53	149	75	106	281	185	83
Hungary.....	17	65	36	170	356	479	296
Poland.....	76	63	81	99	78	80	78
Romania.....	583	623	439	680	793	714	682
U.S.S.R.....	191	250	260	319	501	722	504
	1,835	2,310	1,628	2,252	3,607	1,513	2,432
NEAR EAST							
Bahrain.....	8,946	10,044	11,021	13,546	12,463	13,773	17,124
Egypt.....	90	280	203	157	160	197	296
Gaza Strip.....	683	810	982	1,134	1,433	1,874	2,159
Iran.....	1	(⁴)	2	3	2	1	(2)
Iraq.....	3,244	2,772	2,731	3,684	1,021	23	300
	310	382	211	317	442	724	914
Israel.....	1,531	1,409	1,447	1,925	1,855	2,045	2,521
Jordan.....	195	234	302	235	334	407	726
Kuwait.....	366	472	548	745	765	886	976
Lebanon.....	369	49	124	142	227	303	296
Oman.....	75	57	57	65	88	95	180
Qatar.....	50	79	115	77	138	129	157
Saudi Arabia.....	1,502	2,774	3,575	4,370	4,875	5,769	7,327
Syria.....	128	273	134	143	229	239	143
United Arab Emirates.....	372	425	515	493	667	998	1,077
Yemen (Aden).....	3	4	31	26	14	7	6
Yemen (Sana).....	8	25	46	31	214	77	44
JAPAN							
	9,570	10,152	10,529	12,885	17,581	20,790	21,823
EAST AND SOUTH ASIA							
Afghanistan.....	10,093	10,217	10,698	13,509	18,436	23,722	23,448
Bangladesh.....	19	13	13	17	66	11	6
Brunei ³	382	116	156	170	204	292	158
Burma.....	78	32	39	35	51	70	45
	10	8	13	29	32	29	34
Hong Kong.....	808	1,119	1,292	1,625	2,083	2,686	2,635
India.....	1,290	1,136	779	948	1,167	1,689	1,748
Indonesia.....	810	1,035	763	751	982	1,545	1,302
Kampuchea (Cambodia).....	66	1	1	(⁴)	(⁴)	26	12
Korea, Republic of.....	1,762	2,015	2,371	3,160	4,190	4,685	5,116
Laos.....	4	(⁴)	(⁴)	1	2	(2)	1
Macao.....	1	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	1	2	1
Malaysia.....	393	536	561	728	932	1,337	1,537
Nepal.....	4	4	8	9	8	12	7
Pakistan.....	372	394	293	496	529	642	492
Philippines.....	832	818	876	1,041	1,570	1,999	1,787
Singapore.....	994	965	1,172	1,462	2,330	3,033	3,003
Sri Lanka.....	38	37	53	63	57	62	91

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EAST AND SOUTH ASIA--Continued							
Taiwan.....	1,659	1,635	1,798	2,342	3,272	4,337	4,305
Thailand.....	357	347	510	629	961	1,263	1,170
Vietnam, Republic of.....	213	1	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
COMMUNIST AREAS IN ASIA.....							
China, People's Republic of.....	304	135	172	824	1,725	3,756	3,613
Mongolia.....	304	135	172	822	1,724	3,755	3,603
North Korea.....	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)
North Vietnam ¹	-	-	-	(^a)	(^a)	-	-
				2	1	1	10
OCEANIA.....							
Australia.....	2,340	2,690	2,876	3,464	4,319	4,876	6,436
New Guinea.....	1,815	2,185	2,356	2,912	3,617	4,093	5,242
New Zealand.....	20	14	19	32	33	38	55
Western Samoa.....	411	415	403	405	530	595	922
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.....	3	2	2	4	3	4	18
Other Pacific Islands.....	30	25	30	37	49	49	58
	61	49	66	75	87	97	141
AFRICA.....							
Algeria.....	4,266	4,396	4,563	4,752	4,866	7,187	8,938
Angola.....	632	487	527	374	404	542	717
Benin.....	53	35	38	32	92	111	268
Botswana.....	14	14	14	11	15	15	19
Burundi.....	2	3	2	2	6	6	6
Cameroon.....	1	3	3	3	3	3	4
Canary Islands.....	30	40	54	52	61	93	152
Central African Empire.....	64	68	85	91	113	158	160
Chad.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Congo (Brazzaville).....	4	3	8	6	3	2	1
Djibouti.....	12	14	12	9	14	22	25
Equatorial Guinea.....	3	5	3	4	8	12	7
Ethiopia.....	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	-	(^a)	1
Gabon.....	70	78	58	24	104	72	62
Gambia.....	59	46	30	97	33	48	128
Ghana.....	2	3	6	3	4	4	4
Guinea.....	100	133	146	126	91	127	154
Ivory Coast.....	24	23	16	28	23	34	53
Kenya.....	78	64	89	93	128	185	130
Lesotho.....	49	43	77	138	61	141	150
Liberia.....	2	5	4	5	5	8	9
Libya.....	90	85	91	108	108	113	128
Madagascar.....	232	277	314	425	468	509	813
	7	6	7	9	61	7	16
Madagascar.....	(^a)	(^a)	3	1	(^a)	1	1
Malawi.....	3	5	3	5	5	4	5
Mali.....	6	2	7	6	7	7	5
Mauritania.....	14	19	18	8	7	20	27
Mauritius.....	10	8	9	12	16	22	18
Morocco.....	200	297	372	406	271	344	429
Mozambique.....	18	13	13	20	30	69	35
Namibia.....	7	12	17	10	10	14	13
Niger.....	10	8	8	22	37	20	12
Nigeria.....	536	770	958	985	632	1,150	1,523
Rwanda.....	3	2	4	4	6	5	6
Senegal.....	33	41	36	48	32	41	42
Seychelles.....	(^a)	1	1	(^a)	4	3	4
Sierra Leone.....	9	12	14	16	16	21	26
Somalia.....	9	10	5	21	32	56	59
South Africa, Republic of.....	1,302	1,348	1,054	1,080	1,413	2,464	2,912
St. Helena.....	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)	(^a)
Sudan.....	103	106	87	157	103	143	208
Swaziland.....	1	1	2	1	2	7	7
Tanzania.....	66	36	39	48	36	62	48
Togo.....	18	20	23	14	19	19	24

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ON STAGE WITH POTUS AND FLOTUS:

- Chairman John Whitehead and wife, Nancy
- President Robert Oxnam [OX-num]
- Vice Chairman Peter Aaron [AIR-un]

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AMONG THE 800-900 AUDIENCE MEMBERS WILL BE:

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We must modernize our banking industry; strengthen the competitiveness of our industrial base. We must work with our allies to build a stable and sound monetary regime.

And perhaps most important of all, we must build human capital. We have an obligation to prepare future generations for life in the 21st Century. The integrated global economy will demand more of us than it ever has before, and our schools must meet that challenge.

We have seen in recent years that technological change can do much more than make our lives more comfortable. It can sweep away the debris of totalitarianism, and forge the foundation for lasting liberty. We live in an age of liberation technology, and no technology does more for the cause of freedom than the means of mass communications. We may carp about what we see on the evening news, but information media have done more to destroy despotism than weapons ever could. No nation can import high-tech conveniences but shut off information and ideas. No wall is high enough and no government sufficiently despotic to shut off what some call a revolution of electrons.

As we compete with our allies in this area, we must remember that information feeds intellect, and the better our children's educational preparation, the freer this world will become.

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destiny, even from our earliest days. We have grown great
because we have welcomed people from every continent and country,
and we have tried to make use of their distinct talents, while
constructing a common culture.

As children, many of us traced our fingers along a globe, to
distant lands our ancestors called home. We felt special then,
feeling part of two worlds -- one, of an old and important
culture; the other, the American life of freedom and opportunity.

Today, our Asian population is growing more rapidly than any
other, and immigrants from every Asian island and country have
enriched all our lives. Our Administration is proud to have more
Asian-Americans than any previous administration, and two women
of Asian descent serve in top administration positions: Elaine
Chao, as director of the Peace Corps, and Pat Saiki, the
administrator of the Small Business Administration.

America's genius lies in its openness, its tolerance, and
its diversity. Today, we celebrate that diversity, and celebrate
the prospect that in years to come, we will develop with our
Asian friends even greater ties of trade and culture. We will
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As you know, I have just returned from a trip to Rome and the Hague. There, I worked and other Western leaders worked to build a post Cold-War world characterized by mutual security, democracy, individual liberty, free enterprise, and unfettered international trade. I want to talk about those same topics tonight, but with the accent on Asia. Although much of this nation's heritage comes from Europe, our future points equally toward Asia.

Asia, once a mystical destination for explorers and poets, has transformed itself in the space of a generation into the most rapidly growing and reforming region on the face of the earth.

Asia-Pacific nations enjoyed staggering real economic growth in the decade of the Eighties: The Australian economy grew 41 percent; Japan's grew nearly 52 percent; Malaysia almost 60 percent; Hong Kong, 89 percent; Singapore, 93 percent; Taiwan, 116 percent and South Korea, 150 percent.

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The Japanese have joined us in trying to lead the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe toward free enterprise. They have supported more than 50,000 U.S. military forces in Japan with 3 billion dollars in host nation contributions each year. Japan contributed nearly 13 billion dollars to the multinational forces during the Gulf War, 10 billion dollars of which went to the United States.

Australia long has been a close and trustworthy ally, in conflicts ranging from the world wars to the gulf. It also has contributed to regional peace and stability.

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And bilateral military relations with Japan, Australia, South Korea, the Philippines and Thailand will remain a key in ensuring future peace in the region.

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Generally speaking, peace has broken out all over Asia and the Pacific. Sino-Soviet and Sino-Vietnamese tensions have waned. The Soviets have established relations with South Korea, and both Koreas have joined the United Nations. Democracy has begun to take its first uncertain steps in Mongolia, and Cambodia sees the prospect of peace.

While we must adjust our force structure in the region to reflect post Cold War realities, we must not ignore the fact that important tensions remain: in Korea; in Burma, where socialist despotism holds sway; in China and other communist regimes that resist the worldwide movement toward democracy, and in some cases lend comfort, support and even arms to our enemies.

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The Asia-Pacific region has become our largest and fastest growing trade partner. We conduct more than 300 billion dollars worth of two-way trade annually. Together, we generate nearly half the world's GNP. American firms have invested more than 61 billion dollars in the region, and that figure will grow. Asians have invested more than 95 billion dollars in the United States. In everything from automobiles to microchips, from baseball to Australian rules football, our ties of mutual interest grow and flourish.

A few years ago, it was a cliché to refer to the 20th Century as the American Century and the 21st as the Pacific Century. I don't have a crystal ball, but I'm willing to bet that the 21st Century will take a somewhat different form. I predict that America will remain the world's greatest economic, political, military and moral power, but that the nations of the Asia Pacific region will stand at our side, as equal partners and bold proponents of democracy and freedom.

Of course, one cannot describe the Asia-Pacific region as a simple, homogeneous unit. This vast and varied portion of the globe, which runs from Mongolia to Australia, from Japan to Iran, embraces incredibly diverse cultures, and its political systems run the gamut from modern democracy to Stalinist gerontocracy.

We'd be here forever if I tried to tick off our interests and activities, country-by-country, so I won't subject you to that exercise. Instead, I will ^{talk} about the three central issues in



our relationships with the nations of the region: security, democracy, and trade.

In the area of security, Asia's variety has spawned a diverse set of political and strategic alliances. Our custom-made agreements tie the region together, and provide a strong foundation for future security.

Let me give you a few examples. The ASEAN Nations, Japan, Australia and the U.N. Security Council's permanent members worked together to forge a Cambodian peace process that promises free elections in a nation the previously settled leadership disputes through tyranny and genocide.

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The government of South Korea has moved quietly to build better ties with its neighbor to the North, while also contributing to efforts to make North Korea adhere to vital Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty provisions. Ultimately, both Koreas must agree to prohibit the existence of weapons-grade nuclear material in either nation. And we welcome bilateral efforts among the Japanese, Soviets, Chinese and Koreans to reach an acceptable accommodation. Until that time, however, we will retain a significant military presence in the South.

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We have worked closely with Japan in the area of foreign aid: we are the world's two foremost providers of such aid. We also cooperated on matters of development assistance, environmental protection, trade, arms control, refugees and regional peace. I reiterate tonight my support for Japan's quest to regain control of the Northern Territories.

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We should have learned in the Gulf that we cannot always anticipate potential sources of future trouble. We shall try to retain the flexibility and credibility necessary to defend our vital interests. At the same time, we will not overstay our welcome.

Fortunately, the key to future stability in the region lies not with arms, but with ballots. Democracy has swept portions of Asia, much as it has liberated other previously enslaved parts of our world. I have mentioned some of the exceptions: Burma, China, North Korea, Vietnam. Others have accepted the challenge of democracy, some nations taking tentative first steps; others, standing on the verge of full-fledged pluralism. These include Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Micronesia, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, and Taiwan.

The United States will support democracy wherever it can, understanding that nations must adopt political freedom in their own ways, in manners consistent with their histories and cultures. After decades of uncertainty, we have entered an era of justified optimism. The future seems full of hope, and even the intransigent few seem likely to join the rest of the world in building a commonwealth of freedom.

This brings us to the third focal point, and a crucial ingredient in a stable, free society: economic prosperity.

As I noted at the outset, the Asia-Pacific region has become an exciting source of innovation and growth. No nation can ignore the incredible vitality of this region -- or afford to.

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The United States will remain engaged with the Asia Pacific because we must -- and because we want to.

Yes, we disagree on important trade issues, but the key players in the region have committed themselves to the cause of free and fair trade.

Contrary to the opinions of some in this country, free trade requires efforts by all parties involved. The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade remains the single most important vehicle for advancing the cause of free trade and fending off the scourge of protectionism, which is nothing more than economic isolationism. Japan continues to play a leadership role, as does Australia, the leader of the Cairns group.

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Too often, trade disputes bring out the worst in people. Japan-bashing has become a minor sport in the United States, especially among those who seem more interested in finding scapegoats than in thinking about constructive economic reform. Some in Japan have become equally scornful of the United States, much to the chagrin of their fellow citizens.

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The fact is that Japan, which half a century ago became a focal point of American hatred, has become one of our closest and most treasured allies. We continue working with our Japanese allies to open agricultural, financial and manufacturing markets, and in creating opportunities for businesses of both nations. I especially look forward to spending time with my old friend, Prime Minister Miyazawa -- significantly, a man steeped in

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Western and Eastern culture, and superbly equipped to build bridges of culture and trade between our two great Nations.

Our Structural Impediments Initiative talks have led to a series of internal adjustments that help move us toward an era of free trade. The Asia Pacific Economic Council also encourages growth and trade.

The United States can no more afford to close its doors to the Asia Pacific Region than Asian nations can afford to close their doors to us. Our regions have become the most powerful engines for economic growth on earth. Together, we can build an even more prosperous and spectacular future -- but only if we set aside petty pride and take up the tough, rewarding task of promoting worldwide economic liberty.

We in the United States also must take a hard look at ourselves and pursue measures to improve our own economy. We place a higher tax on capital gains than any other industrialized economy. We subject our own entrepreneurs to incredible pressure. Our allies want us to unchain American dreamers -- and so do I.

We run an enormous and growing budget deficit, which seems to serve no greater purpose than to inflame political divisions within our own country. We must take purposeful action to reduce that deficit, while also cultivating the seeds of economic growth.

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We must modernize our banking industry; strengthen the competitiveness of our industrial base. We must work with our allies to build a stable and sound monetary regime.

And perhaps most important of all, we have an obligation to ourselves and our children to create schools that will prepare future generations for life in the 21st Century. The integrated global economy will demand more of us than it ever has before, and we must create schools that meet that challenge.

We have seen in recent years that technological change can do much more than make our lives more comfortable. It can sweep away the debris of totalitarianism, and forge the foundation for lasting liberty. We live in an age of liberation technology, and no technology does more for the cause of freedom than the means of mass communications. We may carp about what we see on the evening news, but information media have done more to destroy despotism than weapons ever could. No nation can import high-tech conveniences but shut off information and ideas. No wall is high enough and no government sufficiently despotic to shut off what some call a revolution of electrons.

As we compete with our allies in this area, we must remember that information feeds intellect, and the better our children's educational preparation, the freer this world will become.

Let me close today by summarizing our general approach to relations with Asia. Our administration sees six keys to promoting lasting peace in the Asia-Pacific region:

Progressive trade liberalization;

Security cooperation;

A shared commitment to democracy and human rights;

Educational and scientific innovation;

Respect for the environment;

And an appreciation of our distinct cultural heritages.

Americans have always looked to the horizons for their destiny, even from our earliest days. We have grown great because we have welcomed people from every continent and country, and we have tried to make use of their distinct talents, while forging a common culture and mission.

As children, many of us traced our fingers along a globe, to distant lands our ancestors called home. We felt special then, feeling part of two worlds -- one, of an old and important culture; the other, the American life of freedom and opportunity.

Today, we enjoy unprecedented growth of Asian minorities within America, and immigrants from every island and land in Asia have enriched all our lives. Our administration is proud to have more Asian-Americans than any previous administration, and two women of Asian descent serve in top administration positions: Elaine Chou, as director of the Peace Corps, and Pat Saiki, the administrator of the Small Business Administration.

America's genius lies in its openness, its tolerance, and its diversity. Today, we celebrate that diversity, and celebrate the prospect that in years to come, we will develop with our Asian friends even greater ties of trade and culture. We will teach them, and they shall teach us. And together, we will fight

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to build a world united in its determination to help men and women make the most of themselves.

I look forward to traveling soon to Asia, to advance these important principles, and to create work opportunities for tens of thousands of American workers and businesses. The notion that we can separate domestic and foreign policy rests upon the stubborn fantasy that we can live as an isolated island surrounded by a changing and developing world. In that way lies national suicide and international chaos.

We tried isolationism once, and it enabled two world wars to erupt.

We tried economic isolationism -- protectionism -- and we helped set off a worldwide depression. If we try to shrink into an isolationist cocoon, we will ^{invite?} poverty and war. As President, I will continue building ties with our allies, because those ties ultimately mean peace at home and jobs for American men and women.

When we engage in trade and culture, we embrace the excitement of the age. We learn more about ourselves and our planet, and we make more of both.

I want to thank the Asia Society for its vital contributions to the cause of peace, prosperity and understanding. Every American interested in building a more secure, prosperous nation applauds you. I certainly do -- and I look forward to your help as I seek to build closer bonds of affection and interest with the peoples of the vast, marvelous, varied Asia-Pacific region.

Thank you. May God bless our Asian-Pacific friends and the
United States of America.

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Malaysia	165.30	103.95	124.38
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November 8, 1991

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THROUGH: DAVID DEMAREST
FROM: TONY SNOW
SUBJECT: ASIA SOCIETY DINNER

I. SUMMARY

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Per conversation with Asia Society --

- There was an annual dinner in July of this year -- the 1990-91 Annual Dinner. The upcoming dinner is the 1991-92 Annual Dinner. Usually, there are, of course, not two annual dinners, but because the opportunity arose for the Pres to speak, they arranged this "second" annual dinner.
- At the 1990-91 Annual Dinner, Senator Rockefeller spoke on "The United States and Asia in a Changing World." So that we don't feed the members the same meal they had at the last dinner, the Society is sending the Rockefeller speech for our review.
- Note that 1991 is the 35th anniversary of the Society and Rockefeller is the son of the founder. We do not know if he'll be at this event.
- The President will not eat dinner at the event. He'll speak before dinner.



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BYLINE: Jim Hoagland

BODY:

President Bush's decision to cancel the permanent nuclear alert maintained by U.S. forces for 34 years is welcome news for all nations. This first step toward a non-MAD world is a global political watershed that should be matched by a positive Soviet response.

The broad changes in American nuclear strategy will be welcome in Japan, which hosts the president late next month on a long-delayed official visit. Bush will visit Tokyo before going to Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7 to give one of the most important foreign policy speeches of his presidency.

By choosing to speak in Pearl Harbor on the 50th anniversary of Japan's sneak attack, Bush has created a major opportunity and a challenge -- similar to those he met so well last Friday with his declaration on nuclear strategy.

Both situations demand new policy as well as rhetoric that capture the consequences of the march of history and the dramatic nature of change at century's end. On Dec. 7, Bush can give new form and content to U.S.-Japanese relations, as he did to U.S.-Soviet relations last week. It is also an opportunity to define America's increasingly unclear role in Asia.

In elegant serendipity, the Soviet collapse and the Pearl Harbor anniversary come together to enable Bush, the last World War II veteran likely to serve as U.S. president, to put to rest the trauma of that infamous December morning in Hawaii when America was caught with its guard down.

The American memory of Pearl Harbor was a large and constant component of the nuclear strategy Bush modified last Friday. The fear of being hit once again by a surprise attack -- a nation-extinguishing "bolt from the blue" with Soviet nuclear warheads -- also shaped America's national psychology throughout the Cold War.

Bush has made a good start in overhauling the suddenly antiquated psychology and strategy of Mutual Assured Destruction (MAD), which I described in a recent column [Sept. 17] suggesting changes made possible by the lifting of the shadow of sudden nuclear annihilation.

Happily, Bush has gone even farther than I expected in recognizing and reducing with one bold stroke the redundant layers of nuclear retaliation. He has opened the way for major changes in how we see the world and America's role in it. An added bonus will be an easing of underlying tensions with Japan, the



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only nation ever to have a nuclear weapon used against it.

Little noticed in America until recently, the Dec. 7 anniversary has hung like a dark cloud over Japanese officialdom for nearly a year, since forward-planning foreign ministry officials made lists of events likely to affect Japanese-U.S. relations in 1991.

"It made us try harder to resolve potential conflicts sooner than might have otherwise been the case," one ministry official says bluntly now that the year's major bilateral trade and financial negotiations with America are completed. "We have feared that Pearl Harbor would touch off new Japan-bashing and demands for apologies, which would have triggered Japanese demands for apologies for Hiroshima."

Tokyo initially had deep misgivings about Bush's appearance at Pearl Harbor and sought discreetly to discourage the idea in informal conversations with U.S. officials. But when the president made up his mind this summer to go, and coupled the anniversary observance with a Tokyo visit Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu desperately wants to host, the Japanese turned to making virtue out of necessity.

They hope aloud that Bush's speech will emphasize Pearl Harbor not as a moment of treachery to be revived but as the departure point for America's strong involvement in the Pacific region and its global superpower role. "If the president points out that the ultimate results of that day were not all bad, it could make the anniversary a positive occasion," says one Japanese official.

Bush will also visit South Korea, Australia and one Southeast Asian nation on his two-week trip. He has apparently ruled out a stopover in the Philippines, which is caught up in controversy over the U.S. naval presence at Subic Bay. Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney will make separate trips to Asia in November.

These three visits mark a decision by Bush to focus attention anew on Japan and the Pacific after three years of intense involvement elsewhere. This will be welcomed by many American businessmen and academics who have been concerned that the administration "would by benign neglect let America's position in Asia be eroded away," in the words of one corporate executive.

Bush showed vision -- a commodity he has been accused of lacking -- in unilaterally changing the rules last week of the four-decade-old superpower nuclear confrontation. He should be sure to pack a good supply of it for his important journey into America's past, and future, in Asia in a few weeks' time.

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HEADLINE: LONG-AWAITED PRESIDENT BUSH TO MAKE JAPAN A TWO-NIGHT STAND

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BODY:

Japan, which has waited nine months for U.S. President George Bush to reschedule a deferred Tokyo visit, will now have to be content with a brief two-night stay.

"It's not official yet but we're looking at just two nights, from November 29 to December 1," said a government official on Thursday.

Officials -- already sensitive about Bush's plans to attend a ceremony marking the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor 50 years ago -- were less than happy to learn that the Tokyo portion of his Asia -Australia trip has been cut short.

"Bush had to cancel plans to visit Japan in February because of the Gulf War so we had expected he would make up for the delay," the official said.

The president had been tentatively scheduled to leave for Japan on November 25 on a tour that would take him to South Korea, Singapore and Australia.

Bush will be in Hawaii on December 7 for the memorial ceremony for Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 which brought the United States into World War Two.

The White House, reacting to charges that Bush tends to focus more on foreign than domestic issues, said on Wednesday the Tokyo portion of his trip could be cut short. It gave no details.

Japanese business and government circles, concerned about an outbreak of Japan-bashing before the anniversary, are highly sensitive to any hint of a snub by Washington.

In the past Japan has been a target for some members of Congress and others angry over restrictive trade practices. Many in Tokyo fear the ceremonies honouring those killed in the World War Two attack could fuel anti-Japanese sentiments.

Tokyo officials, who regard Japan- U.S. relations as paramount, are also looking askance at Bush's itinerary in Australia.

"Bush'll be breezing through Asia, we hear. But he'll be taking it easier in Australia, arriving on December 4 and flying out on the seventh," said an



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Australian diplomat in Tokyo.

Australia was a staunch ally of the United States during the Pacific war.

OCTOBER 29, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

FROM: MICHELE NIX

SUBJECT: ASIA SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER
NOVEMBER 12, 1991

This year's Asia Society Dinner will be at the Waldorf in NYC. A preadvance team has not been sent out -- so the details in terms of the event are still sketchy. Former Deputy Secretary of State and chairman of the Asia Society John C. Whitehead will introduce the Pres. The audience will be made up of NYC business leaders and experts on Asia -- members of Asia Society.

Doug Paal of NSC says he gave you about 40 pages of material. He stressed a few points to me:

- Why Asia is important to the U.S. -- and why it's important that the Pres is going there.
- American business is also done abroad, and in order to secure economic growth here at home, we need good relations with those overseas; we need to be where the markets are.
- A tough statement about China

Per Asia Society Vice President Marshall Buton: "There is a growing concern about the Bush Administration's preoccupation with the Soviet Union and the Middle East. Asia Society wants the world's attention to turn to Asia. A few years ago, the term 'Pacific Century' was tossed around frequently, but now it has slowly faded from the media and everyone else's vocabulary."

I've included the following info:

- Background info about the Asia Society
- Statistical info about Asia (trade), Asians, Asian-Americans
- Past speeches (language on China, Asian-Americans, etc., past speeches from previous Asia trip, and others)
- Articles from NEXIS -- on Asian-Americans, Asia and the Pacific Century, press briefing by Asia Society President Robert Oxnam at time of Bush's previous Asia trip.
- Some quotes, proverbs, etc.



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Human Development, which works in three hundred villages in Bangladesh to oppose deforestation, land erosion and

Development Institute, and researcher Tom Fox, director of the Center for International Development and the Environment, World Resources Institute.



Sunita Narain (left), makes a point at a workshop discussion at the conference on Environmental Activism in South and Southeast Asia.

pollution from industrial wastes, conceded that he had come to the conference with “great apprehension about whether the environmental concerns of our American counterparts extend beyond game parks and wildlife conservation. But I am excited to find we seem to have reached common ground so easily.”

Carolyn Carr of the Sierra Club noted that environmental groups in the U.S. were just beginning to move beyond their original interest in wilderness areas and endangered species “to much less safe issues like toxic wastes and safe energy development.” There was widespread agreement among the delegates that increased communication between environmentalists in the United States and Asia — and between NGOs in different Asian countries — would benefit everyone concerned.

Not all issues raised at the conference were so easily resolved. While some Asians looked to the United States for models of environmentally-sound development, others blamed their environmental problems on the policies of the industrialized countries of “the North,” which they see as fostering an unconscionably high level of consumption and a hunger for raw materials.

Following the two days of panel discussions and plenary sessions, the Asian delegates split into groups to meet with grass-roots environmental activists in Miami, Seattle, Los Angeles, and Sacramento, California.

Marshall M. Bouton, executive vice president of The Asia Society, said that the conference had challenged “the new stereotype of Asia that projects the image of a rich and menacing competi-

tor in world markets. In fact, much of Asia is still struggling to achieve sustainable development. The frank exchange of opinions and the relationships established here are the beginning of new partnerships in seeking fresh approaches to environmental problems in both Asia and the West.” *The Last Tree: Reclaiming the Environment in Tropical Asia*, a paperback book written by James Rush, professor of Asian history at Arizona State University, was published by The Asia Society in conjunction with the conference. The book is available at The Asia Society Bookstore and through mail order. Price of the publication is \$12.95 less membership discount of 15%. (There is a postage charge of \$3.00 for all mail orders).



A special presentation was made by Robert B. Oxnam, president of the Society, to Maurice R. Greenberg in appreciation of his efforts in chairing two Annual Dinners.

economic well being...Good relations are built on strength and respect.”

To strengthen our economy, he said, “We need to lower the cost of capital. Encourage and reward patient capital. Allow companies to work together to overcome huge R & D costs. Retrain our work force with contemporary skills. Vigorously promote exports. Nurture critical industries.

“If we deal with our problems, we have nothing to fear from Japan’s success and the renewed sense of confidence in the ASEAN countries. And they will welcome our more credible commitment to the region.”

Senator Rockefeller, who is the son of the founder of The Asia Society, was

elected to the United States Senate in 1984 and re-elected in 1990. Before that he served for eight years as Governor of West Virginia.

President Robert B. Oxnam noted that the 1990-91 Annual Dinner marked the 35th anniversary of the founding of The Asia Society and the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Society’s headquarters building at 725 Park Avenue.

Senator Rockefeller Addresses Annual Dinner; Society Announces Hinduja Foundation Grant

From left to right, at The Asia Society 1990-91 Annual Dinner: Robert B. Oxnam, president of the Society; Maurice R. Greenberg, chairman of the 1990-91 Annual Dinner; Senator John D. Rockefeller IV, guest speaker; and Indian Consul General Rajendra K. Rai.

John D. Rockefeller IV, United States Senator from West Virginia, was the keynote speaker at the 1990-91 Annual Dinner of The Asia Society on July 1 in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

The dinner was chaired by Maurice R. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of American International Group Inc. and a longtime trustee of the Society. Among the more

than 600 distinguished guests were twenty-four ambassadors and consuls general representing Australia, Bangladesh, China, Fiji, Japan, Laos, Mongolia, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Samoa, the Solomon Islands, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Vanuatu and Vietnam.

A highlight of the program was a cultural tribute to India featuring Birju Maharaj, a world-renowned master of Kathak, the classical dance of North India. Consul General and Mrs. Rajendra K. Rai headed a delegation of Indian dignitaries attending the event.

At the dinner, President Robert B. Oxnam announced that the Society will establish a Center for India-U.S. Education with funding from the Hinduja Foundation. For its initial programming the Center will organize conferences, symposia and seminars for the Society's New York headquarters and regional centers. In making the announcement Mr. Oxnam expressed his gratitude to S. P. Hinduja, chairman of the Hinduja Foundation and a member of the International Council of The Asia Society, for "his vision and leadership in making this initiative possible."



Annual Dinner guest speaker Senator John D. Rockefeller IV with his mother, Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd, wife of the founder of The Asia Society.

In his keynote address on "The United States and Asia in a Changing World," Senator Rockefeller declared that if the United States is to fulfill its role as leader of the free world and as a strong partner with Asia, its citizens must recognize that "an economically strong America is the cornerstone of our foreign policy; and even more, that a strong foreign policy is essential to our



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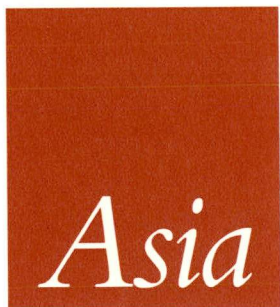
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Beginning October 9, 1991, Galleries hours will be: Tues. – Sat. 11 a.m. – 6 p.m., Sun. noon – 5 p.m. Additional evening hours every Friday until 8 p.m. (Free admission Fri. 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. and to members at all times). Closed Monday.

The Galleries will remain open whenever there is a Society event in the building, until the event begins. Anyone holding a ticket to an event will be admitted to the Galleries free of charge on those evenings.



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of the South Asia Language and Area Center, University of Chicago; Amnuay Viravan, executive chairman of the Bangkok Bank Ltd.; and Alice Walton, founder of Llama Co.

Mr. Brokaw, the sole anchor of NBC's evening newscast since 1983, conducted the first one-on-one television interview with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and was the only network anchor on the scene to cover the collapse of the Berlin Wall. He is a trustee of the Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena, California, and has been a member of The Asia Society's Northeast Asia Council.

Mr. Hotung, scion of a prominent Hong Kong family, was educated at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. and Harvard Business School. In addition to overseeing his family's real estate interests in Hong Kong, he is a renowned collector of Chinese paintings, porcelains and archaic jades. As a member of the International Council of The Asia Society, he played a major role in the establishment of the Society's Hong Kong Center.

Mrs. Lord is the author of *Eighth Moon* (1964), a family story that has been translated into a score of languages, and *Spring Moon*, a historical novel. A member of the President's Council of The Asia Society, she is the wife of Winston Lord, former U.S. Ambassador to China, 1985-1989. Her most recent book is *Legacies, a Chinese Mosaic* (Knopf, 1990).

Mr. Morgan, a graduate of Melbourne University and a fellow of the Australian Society of Certified Practicing Accountants, has headed Western Mining Corporation since 1986. He served as president of the Australian Mining Industry Council

Mrs. Kudoiph joined the faculty of the University of Chicago in 1964, was named full professor in 1972 and chaired the department of political science from 1976 to 1979 and again in 1989. She was also president of the Association for Asian Studies in 1986. Her most recent book, co-authored with her husband Lloyd I. Rudolph, was *In Pursuit of Lakshmi: The Political Economy of the Indian State* (University of Chicago Press, 1987).

Dr. Viravan, who holds advanced degrees in economics and business administration from the University of Michigan, has been an economic advisor to the Prime Minister of Thailand, director general of the Customs Department, and Minister of Finance. He is also chairman of the National Economic and Social Development Board of the government of Thailand.

In 1988 Ms. Walton founded Llama Company, which she serves as chairperson and president. Before assuming responsibility for the Walton family investment portfolios in 1975, she was an equity analyst and money manager for First Commerce Corp., and a securities representative for E.F. Hutton & Co. Inc.

Three Days in Celebration of the Year of Tibet

- Friday 11** *Symposium* **Cultures and Traditions of Tibet**
9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. A symposium with Hugh Richardson, Michael Aris, and Valrae Reynolds.
\$15 members; \$20 non-members
- Lecture* **The President's Forum**
4:00 p.m. His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet joins Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnham for this very special event.
\$10 members; \$15 non-members

Films on Religion and Ritual in Tibet

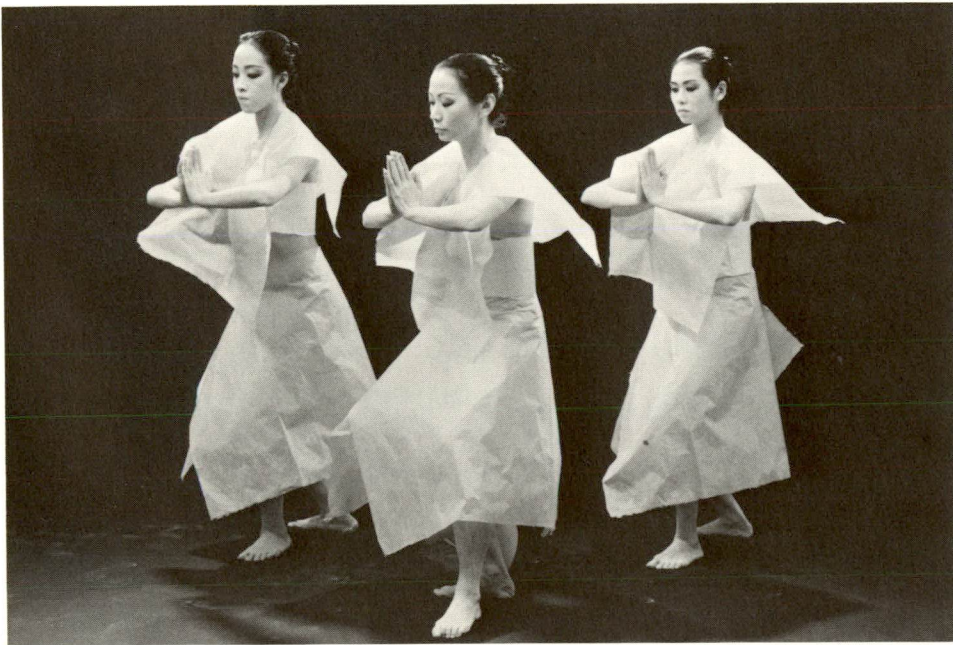
A series of documentary films, presented as part of the Tibet Film Festival of Tibet House.

- Saturday 12** 1:00 p.m. **Tibet: A Buddhist Trilogy**
Directed by Graham Coleman and David Lascelles. 1979, 4 hours (with 2 intermissions).
Part I: Prophecy
Part II: The Fields of the Senses
Part III: Radiating the Fruit of Truth
\$6 members; \$8 non-members
- Sunday 13** 1:00 p.m. **Menri Monastery** Directed by Duncan Burns and Roslyn Dauber. 1991, 20 min. U.S. premiere.
The Religious Investiture of His Holiness the Dalai Lama Office of Tibet. 1964, 20 min.
The Lion's Roar Directed by Mark Elliott. 1985, 50 min.
\$3 members; \$5 non-members
- 4:00 p.m. **Lord of the Dance: Destroyer of Illusion** Directed by Richard Kohn. Internationally acclaimed film includes Mani Rimdu ritual conducted by Trulshig Rinpoche. With Rinpoche in person. 1985, 108 min.
\$6 members; \$8 non-members

November

- Saturday 2** *Performance* **Junko Ueda in Biwa Concert**
8:00 p.m. International artist Junko Ueda will perform Japanese music on the biwa (Japanese lute), accompanied by Wil Offermans on flute.
\$16 members; \$20 non-members
- Tuesday 5** *Lecture* **Politics & Japanese Prints**
6:30 p.m. Henry Smith
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Wednesday 6** *Galleries* **Motifs and Meanings in Asian Art: Selections from The Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Collection**
Through March 15, 1992
- Four Films on Japanese Artists**
Four films in conjunction with the exhibition "Undercurrents in the Floating World: Censorship and Japanese Prints." November 8, 15, 16 and 22. Series: \$20 members, \$26 non-members. Individual films: \$6 members, \$8 non-members
- Friday 8** 6:30 p.m. **Utamaro and His Five Women**
Directed by Kenji Mizoguchi. 1946, 95 min.
- Friday 15** 6:30 p.m. **Rikyu** Directed by Hiroshi Teshigahara. 1990, 116 min.
- Saturday 16** 5:00 p.m. **The Death of a Tea Master**
Directed by Kei Kumai. 1989, 107 min.
- Friday 22** 6:30 p.m. **Mishima: A Life in Four Chapters**
Directed by Paul Schrader. 1985, 121 min.
The director will be present
- Tuesday 12** *Lecture* **Politics & Japanese Prints**
6:30 p.m. Harry Harootunian
\$7 members; \$10 non-members

Korean Zen Weekend



■ Dancers from the Miranda Chin Dance Company will perform during an event-filled weekend entitled “Korean Zen: Contemporary Expressions in Dance, Music and Art.” Other highlights include the world premiere of a modern dance work, *Lotus*, by Sun Ock Lee, a Korean Zen dinner and tea ceremony, lectures, and demonstrations of Korean Zen painting. Saturday and Sunday, September 21 and 22.

**The Miranda Chin
Dance Company**

the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize for his continuing efforts to find a nonviolent solution to the occupation of his homeland.

Asia Society Events to Mark “Year of Tibet”

■ As part of a nationwide celebration called “The Year of Tibet,” The Asia Society will offer a three-day series of programs about Tibet past and present. The highlight of the series will be the appearance of His Holiness the Dalai Lama at a President’s Forum, Friday, October 11, at 4 p.m., followed by a reception. (See accompanying story).

On Friday morning before the President’s Forum, there will be a symposium on Tibetan cultures and traditions featuring Hugh E. Richardson, who served nine years as head of the British Mission in Tibet during the time of the 13th Dalai Lama and who has written numerous books on Tibetan history, customs and language. Appearing with Mr. Richardson will be Michael Aris of Oxford and Harvard Universities and Valrae Reynolds of the Newark Museum.

From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 12, viewers can watch a trilogy of films about Tibet by Graham Coleman and David Lascelles. *Part I: Prophecy* profiles His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama. *Part II: The Fields of the*

Senses is a study of Tibetan religious beliefs, including impermanence, non-attachment and the right attitude toward death. *Part III: Radiating the Fruit of Truth* portrays the Buddhist ritual of protection performed at the Phulwary Sakya monastery.

On Sunday at 1 p.m. three documentaries dealing with Tibetan religions will be shown. One film records the investiture of the current Dalai Lama; a second was shot in north India at the only remaining monastery of the ancient Bon religion; a third chronicles the life, teachings and death of His Holiness the Gyalwa Karmapa, supreme head of the Kagyu tradition.

At 4 p.m. on Sunday there will be a showing of *Lord of the Dance: Destroyer of Illusion*, a 108-minute documentary that focusses on the Mani Rimdu ritual conducted at two Buddhist monasteries in the Mount Everest region of Nepal.

All films in the series are being presented in conjunction with Tibet House of New York.

A Rich Sampler of Japanese Culture to Accompany Woodblock Exhibition

■ Lectures, a symposium, and films exploring various aspects of Japanese culture will be offered at The Asia Society this fall in conjunction with the exhibition “Undercurrents in the Floating World: Censorship and Japanese Prints” in the Society Galleries.

Four art lectures in October and November will directly address the works on display in the exhibition, while a series of four films, scheduled for November, focuses on art, politics and Japanese artists. A symposium featuring international panelists in a discussion of art and politics in the U.S. and

Japan will also take place in November. On November 2, a concert of traditional and contemporary Japanese music will be performed by Junko Ueda on biwa (Japanese lute), with flute accompaniment by Wil Offermans.

As part of the Society’s popular “Meet the Author” series Robert Ozaki will discuss his recent book *Human Capitalism: The Japanese Enterprise System as World Model*, and Kiyooki Murata will talk about *An Enemy Among Friends*, a memoir describing his experiences as a Japanese teenager who arrived in the United States just before the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

A music and dance troupe from the Soviet Republic of Uzbekistan will give a series of performances October 17-20 at The Asia Society.



The Lively Arts of Central Asia in Concert

■ An eight-member troupe from Central Asia — heirs to a proud tradition of lyrical musicality, sensuous dance and epic storytelling — will give a series of concerts October 17 through 20 in the Lila Acheson Wallace Auditorium of The Asia Society.

The performers, who come from the Soviet Republic of Uzbekistan, are professional entertainers whose techniques and repertoires have been passed down through generations of master-teachers. Little known to the outside world, the performing arts of Central Asia reflect the sophistication and emotionality of the urban cultures that sprang up along the historic Silk Route that stretched from China to the shores of the Mediterranean.

Beate Gordon, who selected the performers, noted that the songs, dances and stories of this region are related to those of Persia, northern India, Mongolia and even Turkey. “While everything we see will be authentic,” she said, “these performances are by no means relics of a distant past. In fact, they still serve as popular entertainment at weddings and other festive occasions in Central Asian cities like Bukhara, Samarkand and Tashkent.”

The principal instrumentalist of the troupe is Turgun Alimatov, who is a master of the sato, a bowed long-necked lute whose tone resembles that of a cello, as well as the plucked tanbur and dutar. He will be accompanied on tanbur and dutar by his son, Alisher Alimatov.

Munajat Yulchieva will sing Central Asian classical songs, accompanied on the bowed rebab by her teacher, Shavfhath Mirzaev. Dancers will be dressed in the traditional multicolored costume of silk and velvet brocade to perform the vigorous dances of Uzbekistan.

Each concert will include a selection from the oral epic poems of the region’s nomadic peoples; these are recited and sung from memory by skilled bards called bakhshis. Kahar Rahimov, the young bakhshi of the troupe, comes from a long line of bards who make their home in southern Uzbekistan near the border of Afghanistan.

Performances are scheduled for Thursday and Friday, October 17 and 18, at 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20, at 3 and 8 p.m. Ticket-holders are invited to attend pre-performance demonstrations in the Burke Room outside the Auditorium a half-hour before evening performances.

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An exhibition that displays the familiar beauties of Japanese woodblock prints in the unfamiliar light of government censorship will open in The Asia Society Galleries on October 9.

Entitled "Undercurrents in the Floating World: Censorship and Japanese Prints," the show consists of 60 woodblock images and a selection of illustrated books, lent by public and private collections in the United States. The works date from the mid-eighteenth century through the early twentieth century. Included are sexually explicit scenes, portraits of historical figures intended as covert criticisms of the ruling Tokugawa shogunate, and disguised calendars which attempted to evade the government monopoly on information about "the heavens."

Vishakha N. Desai, director of the Society Galleries, explained that the exhibition was prompted by last year's actions of the National Endowment of the Arts which withheld grants from American artists whose work was deemed "offensive" by elected officials. "Attempts to regulate public morality through control of visual material are nothing new," Dr. Desai said.

Japanese woodblock prints, known as ukiyo-e or "pictures of the floating world," are usually associated with the pleasure quarters of Edo (pre-modern Tokyo). The best known creators of ukiyo-e, men like Kitagawa Utamaro (1753-1806) and Utagawa Kuniyoshi (1798-1861), were recognized as master artists in their day.

Ever since the French Impressionists discovered ukiyo-e in the last half of the nineteenth century, Japanese woodblock prints have been appreciated in the West primarily as aesthetic objects. But according to Dr. Desai, this is like seeing them with one eye closed. "By revealing the social context in which



artists like Utamaro and Kuniyoshi worked, we hope to add new layers of meaning to the viewer's experience of this unique art, without in any way subtracting from the enjoyment of its beauty."

One woodblock by Utamaro, a triptych published in 1804, shows a famous cherry-blossom viewing party held by the warlord Toyotomi Hideyoshi in 1598. Since Hideyoshi had ruled Japan

Tokyohara Kunichika (1835-1900) Koki Shozo (Portraits of Nobility). Color woodcut. The New York Public Library, gift of Donald Keene.

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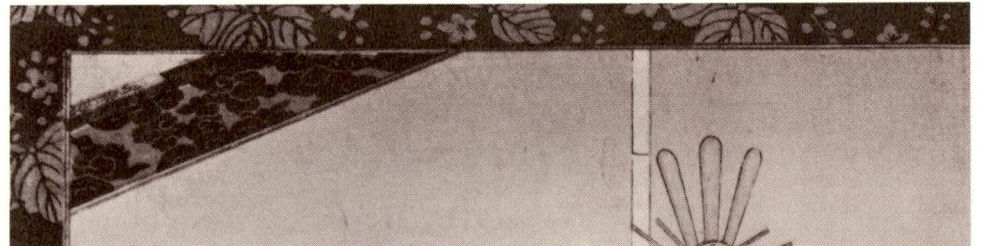


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Undercurrents in the Floating World: Censorship and Japanese Prints

just before the ascendancy of the Tokugawa clan, this was considered a veiled criticism of the current regime. The fifty-one year old Utamaro was imprisoned in hand-shackles for 50 days; he died a broken man two years later.

The exhibition will be on view at The Asia Society Galleries through January 5. To accompany it, the Society is publishing an illustrated catalogue containing two major essays: a study of the development of ukiyo-e under the threat of government censorship by Sarah Thompson, visiting instructor in art and Asian studies at Vassar College; and a survey of the cultural politics of Tokugawa Japan by Harry Harootunian, professor of history at the University of Chicago.

A related exhibition, "Early Masters: Ukiyo-e Prints and Paintings from 1680 to 1750," will be held at the Japan Society October 3-November 24. Asia Society members are invited to attend this show and related lectures at special member rates, and will receive a member discount for purchase of the catalogue.

**Utagawa Yoshiku
(1833-1904).
"Murder of the
Chaste Women"
from the series
Tokyo Ninchinchi
Shinbun, 1874.
Color woodcut. The
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Architect I.M. Pei at September President's Forum

I.M. Pei, the world-famous architect who was born in China in 1917 and became an American citizen in 1954, will be the guest of Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam at a President's Forum on September 24 at 7 p.m.

Mr. Pei will talk with President Oxnam about his experiences in designing buildings in Asia, the United States and elsewhere, and about the varied cultural influences that have shaped his work.

After attending St. John's Middle School in Shanghai, Mr. Pei came to the United States to study architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and later at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. Among his best known buildings are the Fragrant

Hill Hotel in Beijing, the Luce Chapel in Taichung, Taiwan, the East Building of the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center of New York and the expansion and renovation of the Louvre in Paris.

Calling Mr. Pei one of the "most distinguished Asian Americans of our time," President Oxnam noted that he has been an architect "not merely of buildings but of bridges between cultures and people." In recognition of his services to multicultural understanding, Mr. Pei received The Asia Society Award in 1984.



Architect I.M. Pei

His Holiness the Dalai Lama at October President's Forum

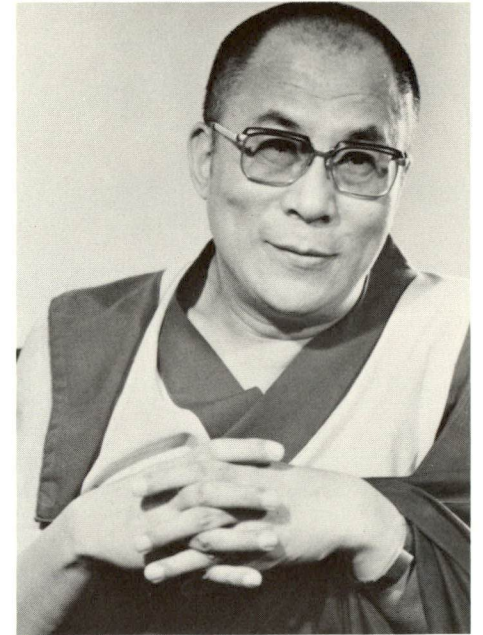
His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, will discuss current conditions in Tibet and prospects for the future with Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam at a special President's Forum on Friday, October 11, at 4 p.m.

The conversation with President Oxnam on the stage of the Lila Acheson Wallace Auditorium will be one of the Dalai Lama's first stops on a two-week visit to the United States to help mark "The Year of Tibet," which is being sponsored by Tibet House in New York. (For other Society programs about Tibet, see accompanying story).

The Dalai Lama is the spiritual and temporal leader of the Tibetan people. Born to a peasant family on July 6, 1935, he was recognized at the age of two, in accordance with Tibetan tradition, as the reincarnation of his predecessor, the 13th Dalai Lama.

In 1951 an agreement was reached with the newly founded People's Republic of China which acknowledged Chinese sovereignty over Tibet but left the traditional religious, political and economic system intact. However, the relation between Lhasa and Beijing deteriorated through the 1950s and the Dalai Lama fled into exile in India in 1959 when Chinese troops suppressed an uprising by Tibetan resistance fighters. Since then he has led the struggle for religious freedom for his followers in Tibet.

A scholar who holds the highest Geshe Lharampa Degree (Doctorate of



**His Holiness
The Dalai Lama**

September

- Thursday 12** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *Human Capitalism: The Japanese Enterprise System as World Model* by Robert Ozaki
\$7 members; \$10 non-members.
- Saturday 21 and Sunday 22** *Events* **Korean Zen: Contemporary Expressions in Dance, Music and Art**
3:00-10:00 p.m. A two-day immersion in Korean Zen, including dance performances, lectures, a Zen tea and Zen dinner.
Call for complete schedule (517-ASIA).
- Tuesday 24** *Lecture* **The President's Forum**
7:00 p.m. World renowned architect I.M. Pei joins Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam
\$8 members; \$12 non-members
- Thursday 26** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *Wild Swans* by Jung Chang
\$7 members; \$10 non-members

October

- Thursday 3** *Lecture* **Contemporary Asian Issues: What Is Central Asia?**
6:30 p.m. With Denis Sinor, distinguished scholar of Central Asian studies.
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Wednesday 9** *Galleries* **Undercurrents in the Floating World: Censorship and Japanese Prints**
Taking a new perspective on a familiar subject, The Asia Society Galleries will present an exhibition of 60 Japanese woodblock prints and illustrated books. Through January 5, 1992.

October continued

- Wednesday 16** *Lecture* **The Music of Central Asia**
6:30 p.m. With ethnomusicologists Theodore Levin and Otanazar Matyakubov. (See performances below.)
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Thursday 17 through Sunday 20** *Performances* **Music and Dance from Tashkent, Central Asia**
Thurs., Fri. Heirs to a proud tradition of lyrical musicality, sensuous dance and epic storytelling, this eight-member troupe from Central Asia will perform songs, dances, and oral epics.
at 8:00 p.m.; Sat., Sun. \$16 members; \$20 non-members
at 3:00 & 8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday 29** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *Wisdom and Compassion: The Sacred Art of Tibet* by Robert Thurman
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Films From Central Asia**
A series of six films from Uzbekstudios, Tashkent, USSR. The films are surprisingly modern and urban, yet clearly underscore the current clash between traditional Central Asian culture and contemporary Soviet society.
October 25, 26, and November 1, 3. Series: \$30 members; \$40 non-members
Individual films: \$6 members; \$8 non-members

October

- Friday 25** 6:00 p.m. *Farewell Green Summer* Directed by Elior Ishmukhamedov. 1985, 110 min.
8:15 p.m. *The Shock* Directed by Elior Ishmukhamedov. 1989, 135 min.
- Saturday 26** 3:00 p.m. *Scarred by Kandahar* Directed by Yuri Sabitov. 1989, 80 min.
5:00 p.m. *Kiep's Last Journey* Directed by Farid Davletshin. 1990, 85 min.

November

- Friday 1** 6:00 p.m. *Shy Boy (The Savage)* Directed by Kamara Kamalova. 1988, 85 min.
8:00 p.m. *Kiep's Last Journey* (See October 26)
- Sunday 3** 2:00 p.m. *Little Man in a Big War* Directed by Sukharat

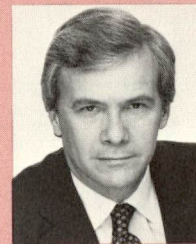
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- Thursday 14** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *The Films of Merchant Ivory*
by **Robert Emmet Long**
Robert Emmet Long and Ismail Merchant
will be present to discuss this book.
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Tuesday 19** *Lecture* **Politics & Japanese Prints**
6:30 p.m. Julia Meech
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Wednesday 20** *Symposium* **The True Subject:**
6:30 p.m. **Urdu Poetry and the Poems of Faiz Ahmed
Faiz (1911-1984)**
Presented by The Asia Society in association with
The Academy of American Poets, the program will
feature readings and discussions by Eqbal Ahmad,
Agha Shahid Ali, and Naomi Lazard.
Free admission
- Sunday 24** *Symposium* **Art and Politics: U.S. and Japan**
2:00- An international panel discussion.
4:30 p.m. \$15 members; \$20 non-members

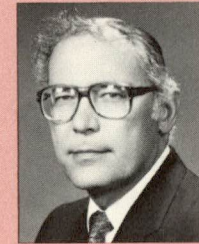
December

- Tuesday 3** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *An Enemy Among Friends*
by **Kiyoaki Murata**
\$7 members; \$10 non-members
- Friday 13** *Lecture* **Meet the Author:**
6:30 p.m. *Brothers Against the Raj*
by **Leonard Gordon**
\$7 members; \$10 non-members

Eight New Trustees Named to Asia Society Board



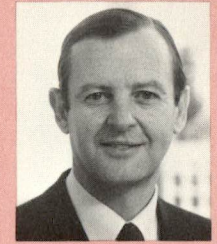
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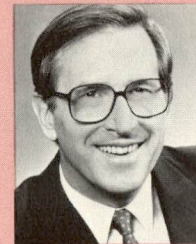
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Eight men and women whose distinguished careers have brought them to prominence in the international community have been named to the board of trustees of The Asia Society. Their election was announced by Chairman John C. Whitehead.

The eight new members are: Tom Brokaw, anchor of "NBC Nightly News;" Joseph E. Hotung, Hong Kong financier and art patron; Bette Bao Lord, memoirist and novelist; Hugh M. Morgan, managing director of Western Mining Corporation Ltd.; John D. Rockefeller IV, United States Senator from West Virginia;

Australian Mining Industry Council 1981 to 1983, was named chairman of the World Gold Council in 1989 and has been president of the Art Foundation of Victoria since 1984.

Mr. Rockefeller, a student of Japanese and Chinese, served in Asia with both the Peace Corps and the U.S. State Department. Active in West Virginia politics since 1966, he was governor from 1976 to 1984 and has been U.S. Senator since 1985. He was the guest of honor and gave the keynote address at the Annual Dinner of The Asia Society in July 1991. Mr. Rockefeller's father, John D. Rockefeller 3rd, was founder of The

Enthusiastic Response to Spring Lectures at Hong Kong Center

Since its opening last fall, the Hong Kong Center of The Asia Society has sponsored a series of lectures about contemporary Asian and global issues that have drawn enthusiastic audiences of Chinese, other Asian and Western business and corporate leaders and diplomats.

The series began in January with Professor Robert O. Keohane of Harvard University speaking on the topic, "Superpower or Superpauper: The U.S.A. Beyond the Year 2000." In March Professor Nicholas Lardy of the University of Washington discussed "Chinese Economic Reforms in the Nineties." With Hong Kong scheduled to pass from British to Chinese sovereignty in 1997, there was great interest in Professor Lardy's thesis that China, which has been "privatizing" its economy in incremental fashion over the last few years, is now further along the road to a market economy than any nation in Eastern Europe.

In April the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Gareth Evans, reported on his just completed trip to the People's Republic of China. Asserting that his country was "second to none" in pushing China to improve its record on human rights, he said that he was encouraged by recent Chinese responses to Australian representations on this issue.

On June 21 President Benno C. Schmidt of Yale University addressed the role of academic freedom in a free society, a subject of great concern to residents of Hong Kong who have enjoyed basically free campuses for many years and who will soon come under the sovereignty of a nation whose universities are strictly controlled by the government.

In July James Ho, deputy mayor of San Francisco and head of that city's business development council, spoke about the involvement of Chinese Americans in politics; and Karen Elliott House, vice president of Dow Jones International, described her recent visit to North Korea with The Asia Society's Study Mission and discussed the prospects for reunification of the Korean peninsula.

Burton Levin, the director of the Hong Kong Center, announced that a major conference on the future of Hong Kong, co-sponsored by The Asia Society and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was being planned for early 1992. "Despite some anxiety over the forthcoming change in the status of

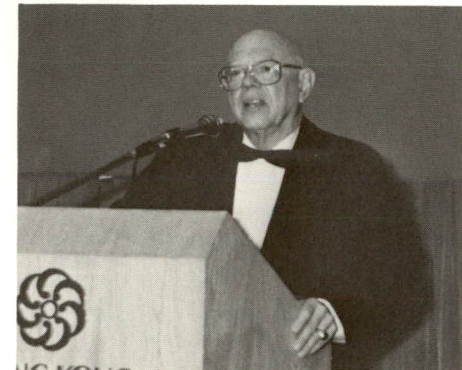


Sir Q.W. Lee, chairman of the Hong Kong Center, spoke at the Hong Kong Center's inaugural dinner.

Hong Kong," Mr. Levin commented, "there are considerable grounds for optimism, and it is important that business and academic communities in the United States and Japan become more fully aware of the reasons why Hong Kong's chances of successfully weathering the transition are good."



Senator Gareth Evans, Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade,



Professor Robert A. Scalapino, Robson Research Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley, delivered the keynote address at the Hong Kong Center's inaugural dinner.

Asian and American Environmental Activists Exchange Views at Conference

A ground-breaking conference bringing together environmental activists from South and Southeast Asia with their counterparts from the United States was held at The Asia Society in April. The two-day meeting was co-sponsored by the Sierra Club, the World Wildlife Fund and the World Resources Institute.

Fourteen Asian delegates represented non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that have been combatting environmental degradation in Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nepal, the Philippines and Thailand.

Half the world's population lives in Asia, where the environment is at risk from forces generated by both economic growth and persistent poverty. A point made repeatedly by Asians at the conference is that environmental issues in their countries cannot be separated from political, economic and human-rights issues. In a few countries, activists face the danger of persecution and even imprisonment if they resist government-sponsored development projects that impact on the environment.

In many cases — such as India's Hug-a-Tree movement, which mobilized village women to fight deforestation by shielding trees with their own bodies — the endangered environment is not some remote wilderness but a place where people make their homes and earn their livelihood.

Edtami Mansayagan of the Philippines described the efforts of his NGO, the Tribal Filipino Center for Development, which has been instrumental in

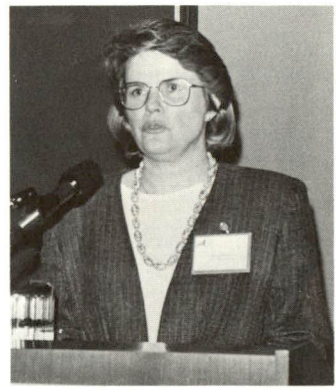


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A panel of leading Asian environmentalists at the conference included Sunita Narain, co-director of the Center for Science and Environment in India; Agus Purnomo, former director of the Indonesian Environmental Forum (WALHI); Edtami Mansayagan, director of the Tribal Filipino Center for Development; and moderator Theodore Smith, executive director of the Consultative Group on Biological Diversity.

major role in government plans for ending chronic power shortages in the Philippines. After many years of negotiations and legal maneuvering, some two thousand local tribespeople (led by Mansayagan, who is a Manobo) swore a traditional blood pact to defend the sanctity of the land at all costs.

Qazi Faruque Ahmed, executive director of the Paschika Centre for



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Susan Merrow, president of The Sierra Club, spoke at the opening night dinner of the conference.

Credit: Geoffrey Biddle



At a session at the conference were, left to right: S.R. Hiremath, coordinator of Samaj Parivartana Samudaya; Brian Rosborough, president of Earthwatch;



Credit: Elso Ruiz

Los Angeles Symposium to Probe Asian American Experience

Some 800 conferees are expected to attend a national symposium entitled "The Asian American Experience: Looking Ahead" at The Biltmore in Los Angeles, October 24-26. At least fifteen national Asian American organizations are cosponsoring the symposium, which is being organized by the Southern California Center of The Asia Society.

Representatives from Asian American communities across the country will meet with educators, business leaders, journalists and government officials to explore the changing reality of Asian Americans in a changing American society.

The agenda for the symposium has been developed by an organizing committee under four co-chairs: Richard E. Sherwood, chairman of the Southern California Regional Center and Asia Society trustee; David H. Murdock, a member of the Center's Steering Committee and trustee of The Asia Society; novelist Bharati Mukherjee; and The Honorable Michael Woo, the first Asian American to sit on the Los Angeles City Council.

Councilman Woo commented: "Asian Americans comprise the fastest growing ethnic minority group in this country. But many Americans still perceive their neighbors of Asian descent as mysterious, enigmatic and even inscrutable. This conference will help to clarify the identity of this increasingly visible group of Americans."

Among the areas slated for discussion are the relationships of Asian American communities to other ethnic minorities; the burgeoning presence of Asian Americans in the arts; and the impact of Asian Americans on relations between the United States and Asian nations.

Other issues to be aired include the controversy over bilingual education and the question of "quotas" for Asian Americans in institutions of higher learning; discrimination and opportunity in the workplace; and the often-noted disparity between the size and strength of Asian American communities (for example, one out of every ten Californians is of Asian background) and their limited participation in local, state and national politics.

The symposium has been funded with initial contributions from Dole Food Company, Inc., The James Irvine Foundation, the AT&T Foundation, the ARCO Foundation, the Southern California Edison Company, Mikasa/Kenwood Inc., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., and The Rockefeller Foundation.

Next Corporate Conference Scheduled for Taipei in Spring 1992

The Asia Society's third annual corporate conference in Asia will be held May 7-9, 1992, in Taipei. It will focus on the topic, "The Asian Regional Economy: Growing Linkages, Global Implications." Following the successful format established at Hong Kong (November 1989) and Bali (March 1991), the Taipei conference will bring together senior private-sector leaders, government officials, academic experts and members of the Asia Society family to discuss regional issues in a global context.

High on the agenda will be the impact on world trade of the increasingly important economic ties among Asian nations that once looked exclusively to overseas markets.

In conjunction with The Asia Society, the conference is being co-sponsored by Taipei's Institute for

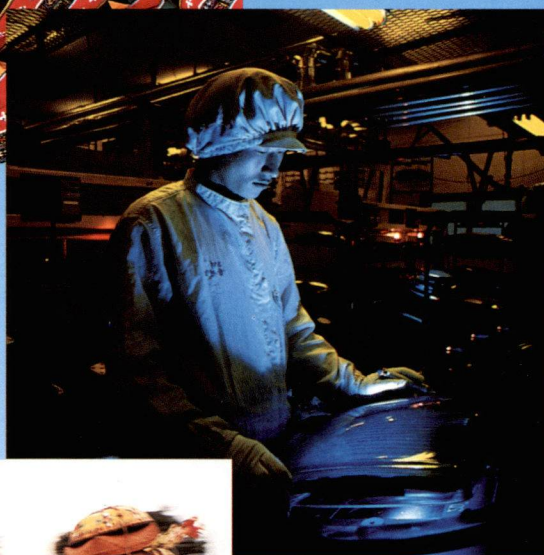
National Policy Research and by *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, a cosponsor of the Society's first conference in Hong Kong in 1989.

Robert B. Oxnam, president of The Asia Society, noted that Taipei was an excellent venue for the next corporate conference. "Among the most vital societies in the Asia-Pacific region for the last decade, Taiwan is now experiencing a remarkable period of political opening," Mr. Oxnam said. "With expanded linkages to the mainland in trade, travel, investment capital and communications, people are beginning to talk about the prospects for a 'Greater China'—an economic entity arising from trade and investments among Hong Kong, Taiwan and the Republic of China. This will be one of the main themes of the Taipei meeting."

The Films of Merchant Ivory, a new 250-page book chronicling the 30-year history of Merchant Ivory Productions, is available to Asia Society members for a special pre-publication price of \$29.95. Ismail Merchant is a member of the Society's President's Council. His most recent film, *Mr. and Mrs. Bridge*, was nominated for several Academy Awards, and he is currently working on a new film scheduled for release this winter.

If you are interested in purchasing this book at this special rate, please contact the Membership Office at (212) 288-6400, ext. 270 for further information.

The Asia Society Annual Report 1990-1991



Report of the Chairman and the President

The need to educate Americans about their neighbors across the Pacific was the principal motive behind the founding of The Asia Society in 1956, years before the phrase "Pacific Community" became popular. From the outset we enlisted the cooperation of prominent Asians in our efforts to bring Asians and Americans together in a community of mutual interest.

The extraordinary changes in Asia in recent years have only made the need for trans-Pacific partnership more apparent. With this in mind, the Board of Trustees has adopted a five-year Strategic Plan that calls for even stronger Asian participation at all stages and levels of Society activities.

In taking significant steps toward this goal last year, we acted to involve more of our Asian colleagues in the governance and guidance of the Society; to expand the Society's presence in Asia; to build working relationships with a broad spectrum of Asian institutions; and to organize a number of major events in Asia and the Pacific region.

In 1990-91 Asian representation on the Board of Trustees was increased with the involvement of such distinguished leaders as Joseph E. Hotung, Hong Kong financier and art patron; Koretsugu Kodama, managing director of the Bank of Tokyo, Ltd.; Sir Quo-Wei Lee, chairman of the Hang Seng Bank, Ltd.

of Hong Kong; Hugh M. Morgan, managing director of Western Mining Corporation Ltd. (Australia); and Amnuay Viravan, executive chairman of the Bangkok Bank Ltd.

In addition, the membership of our International Council was doubled to include 150 prominent figures from around the Asian-Pacific region. These leaders in business, cultural affairs, the professions and government service provide invaluable assistance for Society programs both in Asia and in the United States.

The opening of our Hong Kong Center, the Society's fourth regional center and the first in Asia, was a major achievement that would not have been possible without the advice and assistance of eminent representatives of the Hong Kong community, especially those who served on the Society's International Council. Sir Quo-Wei Lee is the first chairman of the Center and Burton Levin, former U.S. Ambassador to Myanmar (Burma) and former U.S. Consul General in Hong Kong, is the first director. Programming at the Center got off to a strong start with a lecture series of interest not only to residents of Hong Kong but to anyone trying to understand fast-moving developments in East Asia. Standing-room-only audiences heard eyewitness reports on China's economic reforms and human-rights policies from Nicholas Lardy of the University of Washington and Gareth Evans, the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade.



Robin Moyer

While facing uncertainties about its change in status to Chinese sovereignty in 1997, Hong Kong continues to play a central role in Asian commerce and offers the Society an unsurpassed window on political and cultural developments throughout the region.

Collaboration with Asian sponsors helped make the corporate conference in Bali last March the largest of its kind ever held in the region. The conference, which dealt with the future of ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations), was jointly sponsored by the Society and The Centre for Strategic and International Studies in Jakarta, with the cooperation of *Fortune* and support from American and Asian firms. More than a thousand delegates and two hundred members of the regional and international press heard 38 distinguished speakers including three heads of state: President Soeharto of Indonesia, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia and Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singapore.

Pictured in Hong Kong at the opening of the new Center were John C. Whitehead, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Asia Society, and Robert B. Oxnam, President.

Following up the success of this meeting, the next corporate conference—scheduled for May 1992 in Taipei—will be co-sponsored by Taipei's Institute for National Political Research and *The Asian Wall Street Journal*.

The Society's Korean Peninsula Project benefited from an extensive collaborative network that paved the way for a 13-member American study mission to visit Beijing, Pyongyang, Seoul, Tokyo and Moscow. In each capital, research and policy institutes worked with the Society to set the agenda for the mission, which explored prospects for unification of North and South Korea. The study mission was chaired by Robert A. Scalapino, Robson Research Professor Emeritus at the University of California at Berkeley and a longtime trustee of The Asia Society.

Close cooperation with Asian institutions was a hallmark of our major cultural presentations during the year. The National Museum of Indonesia worked

with the Society to launch *Court Arts of Indonesia*, an exhibition of 150 works representing 12 centuries of creativity by the peoples of the Indonesian archipelago. The exhibition, which was curated by Dr. Helen Ibbitson Jessup with Drs. Bambang Sumadio as co-curator in Indonesia, opened in Jakarta prior to its American debut at The Asia Society.

In a project that broke new ground in international sponsorship of the arts, the Society and Yayasan Seni Berdaftar, a Malaysian foundation, presented an evening of theater based on that country's traditional performing and martial arts, some of which are in danger of disappearing. Manuel Alum, an American choreographer with extensive experience in Asian dance, was asked to go to Malaysia to work with the finest traditional performers. The resulting production, *Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey*, drew enthusiastic audiences and laudatory reviews during its run at The Asia Society.

Three major collaborations are now in the planning stages: An exchange of art works between Tokyo's Idemitsu Museum and the Society's Rockefeller Collection of Asian Art; an exhibition of art treasures from 18th-century Korea organized with The National Museum of Korea; and an international conference in Bangkok that will bring together scholars, government officials and

community leaders interested in the preservation of art objects and folk cultures throughout Asia.

The 19th annual Williamsburg Conference, dedicated to fostering exchanges of opinion among decision makers from the entire Pacific region, convened in Sydney, Australia, a setting that symbolized the key roles played in the region by Australia and neighboring New Zealand. The conference was hosted by the Australian Institute of International Affairs.

While expanding our contacts with senior people in Asian research institutes, universities, museums, the arts, business and government, we are also concerned with reaching out to rising young leaders. A conference on environmental advocacy brought grassroots activists from seven Asian countries to New York in April to discuss goals and tactics with American environmental groups. Preparations are under way for similar conferences to deal with citizen action on women's issues and urban problems. The Society's commitment to closer collaboration with Asian individuals and institutions extends to our three regional program centers.

For example, the Southern California Center has developed strong ties with Asian American communities and Asian-owned businesses in the Los Angeles area; the Houston Center has worked closely with several Asian Consulates General and with local businesses that maintain ties with Asia; and as always, the Washington Center has been instrumental in opening lines of communication with Asian government officials and with American officials who deal regularly with Asia.

The Asia Society has thrived over the years by drawing on the imagination and energy of large numbers of dedicated volunteers in this country. Now large numbers of Asians who share our vision of a peaceful and prosperous Pacific Community are generously offering their time, money and talents. This expanded partnership of concerned individuals from different backgrounds working toward a common good is both a confirmation of past success and an auspicious omen for the future.



John C. Whitehead
Chairman



Robert B. Oxnam
President

The Asia Society Celebrates Indonesia

In conjunction with the Festival of Indonesia, a national year-long celebration of Indonesia's cultural heritage, The Asia Society premiered *Court Arts of Indonesia*, an unprecedented exhibition of 150 works of art spanning more than one thousand years of history. On view from September 19 to December 16, 1990, many of the objects, including sculpture, court regalia, manuscripts, shadow puppets, dance masks, musical instruments, textiles and jewelry, had never before been shown in public.

Visitors to the exhibition passed through a series of spaces that represented a *kraton*—a Javanese court—suggested by the installation's stunning architectural elements and photographic murals. Highlights among the many treasures on view were the *kris*, or Javanese dagger, with diamond-studded gold sheath given to Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands and the diamond-studded crown of Bima.

The exhibition was curated by Dr. Helen Ibbitson Jessup with Drs. Bambang Sumadio as co-curator in Indonesia. An accompanying catalogue by Dr. Jessup, published by The Asia Society, explained the culture that underlay the exhibition.

A number of special events were held to complement the exhibition. *Spirit and Place*, a collection of photographs by John Gollings, showed the natural beauty of Indonesia. Throughout October and November, Indone-



John Gollings

sian Weekends featured brilliantly costumed dancers in performances, demonstrations of traditional painting techniques and scenes from the *wayang kulit*, the famous shadow puppet theater. In addition, a five-part lecture series and a symposium were presented.

Following its opening at The Asia Society, *Court Arts of Indonesia* was also presented in Dallas, Washington, D.C., and Los Angeles, reaching a national audience.

Major funders for the *Court Arts of Indonesia* exhibition were the National Endowment for the Humanities; The Luce Foundation; UNOCAL; PT International Nickel Indonesia; the National Endowment for the Arts; J. P. Morgan & Co. Incorporated; Revlon, Inc.; The Chase Manhattan Corporation; and The Starr Foundation.

Jeweled wooden ritual marriage figures, 19th-century Surakarta, Java. From the *Court Arts of Indonesia* exhibition.

ASEAN Conference in Bali Draws Record Participation

In March 1991, The Asia Society's second annual corporate conference in Asia convened in Bali, Indonesia. With more than a thousand delegates from the public and private sectors plus two hundred members of the regional and international press in attendance, it was the largest conference of its kind ever held in the region. The host corporate sponsor was PT Astra International.

Three heads of state—President Soeharto of Indonesia, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia and Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singapore—were among the 38 speakers who addressed the distinguished audience.

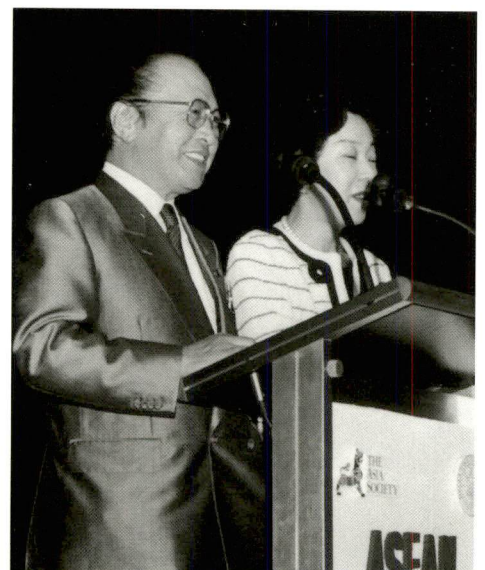
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, former U.S. Secretary of State, was a keynote speaker at the conference.



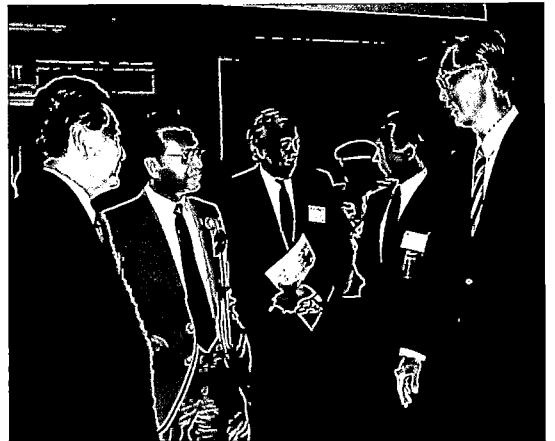
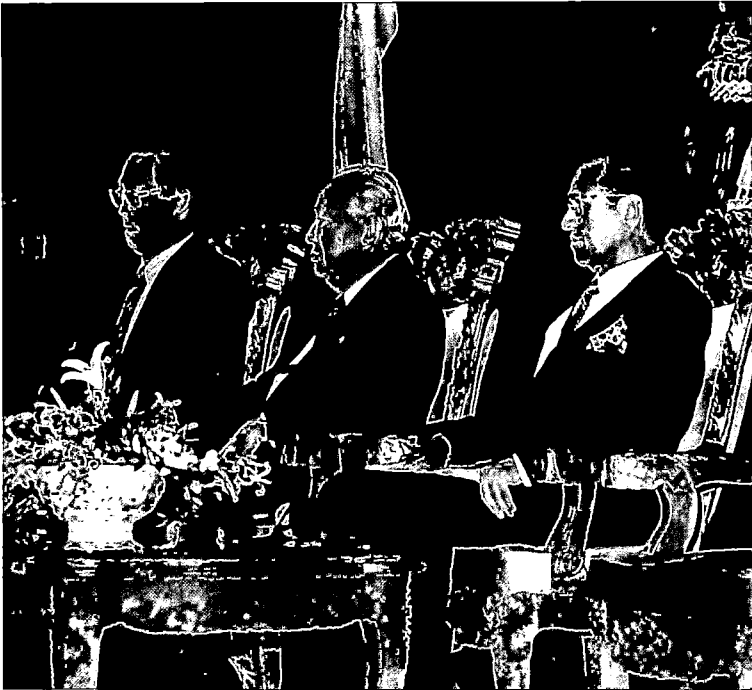
Michio Watanabe, member of the House of Representatives and former Finance Minister of Japan, with his interpreter, addressing the ASEAN conference in Bali, March 1991.

The title of the meeting was “The ASEAN Countries and the World Economy: Challenge of Change.” Among the topics that prompted frank and heated debate were Japan's role as a dominant economic power in Southeast Asia, changing regional security requirements in a post-Cold War world, and the future of trade relations with the United States and the European community.

When Dr. Mahathir discussed the Malaysian proposal for an East Asian Economic Grouping (EAEG) that would exclude the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, the U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Michael H. Armacost, responded that a less restrictive group already existed, the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum (APEC). He suggested that all efforts be made to promote freer multilateral trade within the Uruguay Round. President Soeharto



Three heads of state who addressed the conference, from left to right: Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singapore, President Soeharto of Indonesia and Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia.



and Prime Minister Goh stressed the need to increase economic cooperation in the region and also called for a freer global trading environment.

Other keynote speeches at the conference were given by Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, former U. S. secretary of state, and Michio Watanabe, former finance minister and a leading political figure in Japan.

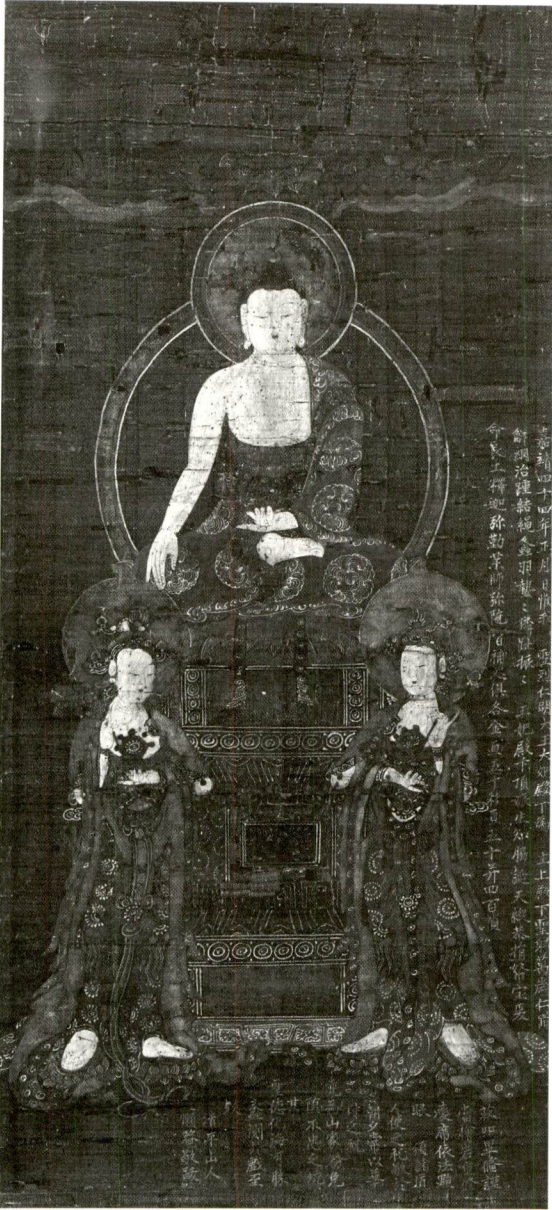
In addition to President Robert B. Oxnam and Chairman of the Board John C. Whitehead, seven trustees of The Asia Society addressed the conference: Maurice R. Greenberg, chairman and CEO, American International Group, Inc.; Robert Scalapino, Robson Research Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley; Richard E. Sherwood, partner, O'Melveny & Myers; William E. Simon, former

U.S. secretary of the treasury; William Soeryadjaya, chairman, PT Astra International; Washington SyCip, founder and chairman of the SGV Group; and William E. Tucker, Jr., former chairman, Caltex Petroleum Corporation.

The conference was jointly sponsored by The Asia Society and the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, with the cooperation of *Fortune* magazine. Additional support was provided by 13 American and Japanese multinationals and leading firms from Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand.

Left to right: Dr. Amnuay Viravan, Chairman of the Executive Board of Bangkok Bank Limited; Prime Minister Mahathir of Malaysia; John C. Whitehead, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Asia Society; Maurice R. Greenberg, Chairman, President and CEO of American International Group, Inc., and Asia Society Trustee; and Prime Minister Goh of Singapore.

New Exhibition Series Launched



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Sakyamuni Buddha and Attendant Bodhisattvas, hanging scroll in color and gold on silk, Korea, Choson Dynasty, dated 1565. Exhibition centerpiece from The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation.

Objects in Context, a new exhibition series at the Society, opened with *The Story of a Painting: A Korean Buddhist Treasure from The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation* on April 30.

Cross-cultural in its intent, this exhibition focused on a rare 16th-century Korean painting in the context of Buddhist art from other parts of Asia. The featured masterpiece, recently acquired by The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation, had never

before been shown publicly. It is considered one of the most important recent acquisitions of Korean art in the United States. Executed in color and gold on silk, this Buddha triad from the early Choson dynasty (1392–1910) is one of the very few works that have survived from that period.

The Objects in Context series was instituted as a means to explore in depth major works of art from Asia. This inaugural exhibition brought together 61 related objects from Korea, China, Japan and India, which included eight works from the Rockefeller collection at the Society. Viewers had the opportunity to assess the achievement of Choson-dynasty Korean Buddhist painters and to observe the evident connections and continuities in the history of Buddhist art in Asia.

The exhibition was organized by The Asia Society Galleries and curated by Dr. Hongnam Kim. An accompanying illustrated catalogue was published by the Galleries, and a three-part Korean Art in East Asia lecture series was presented.

The exhibition and catalogue were generously supported by The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation, The Armand G. Erpf Fund, the Friends of The Asia Society Galleries and The Starr Foundation.

High-Level Mission Studies Korean Issues

A thirteen-member American study mission led by Robert A. Scalapino, Robson Research Professor of Government Emeritus at the University of California, Berkeley, and a trustee of The Asia Society, visited China, North and South Korea, Japan and the Soviet Union in May to explore political, economic and security issues pertaining to the Korean peninsula.

Among the business and professional leaders who took part in the blue-ribbon mission were David S. Tappan, Jr., CEO of Fluor Corporation; David Gardner, president of the University of California; William Fuller, president of the Asia Foundation; Russell Phillips, Jr., executive vice president of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund; Karen Elliott House, vice president of Dow Jones International; Admiral Ronald J. Hays, USN, Retired; and Charles William Maynes, editor of *Foreign Policy*.

At each stop mission members met with academic experts and senior government officials. In Beijing they spoke with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen; in Pyongyang, with First Vice Foreign Minister Kang Sok Ju; in Seoul, with President Roh Tae Woo, Foreign Minister Lee Sang Ock and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Unification Choi Ho-joong; in Tokyo, with Vice Foreign Minister Takakazu Kuriyama and with Keizo Obuchi, Secretary-General of the

Democratic-Liberal Party; and in Moscow, with Igor Rogachev, Deputy Foreign Minister.

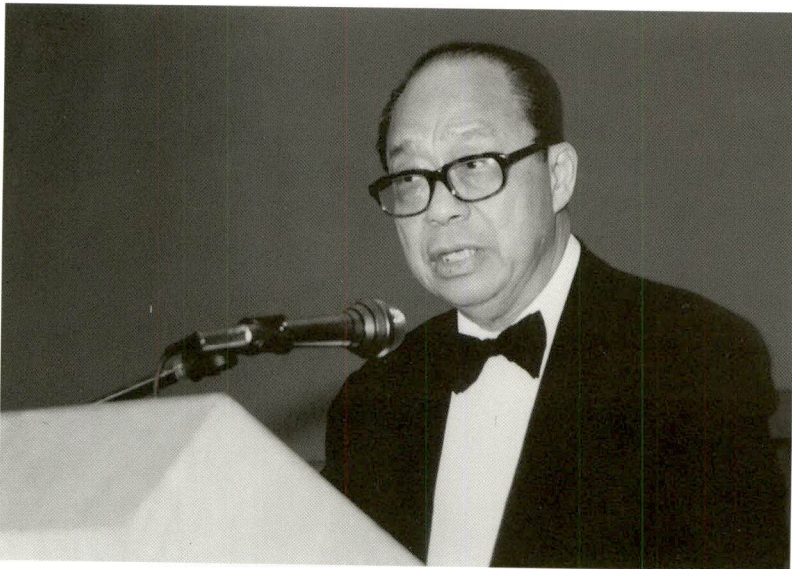
A full report will be issued shortly following an international conference in Washington, D.C., in September and a series of public symposia in Washington, Houston and Los Angeles. Funding is provided by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.



Korean Peninsula Study Mission members met with South Korean President Roh Tae Woo. Left to right: Admiral Ronald J. Hays; Donald S. Zagoria; Charles William Maynes; Karen Elliott House; and Study Mission Chairman Robert A. Scalapino.

Hong Kong Center Programs Attract Wide Interest

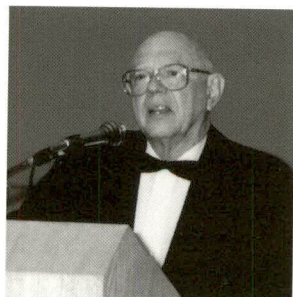
Sir Q.W. Lee, Chairman of the Hong Kong Center, at the Center's Inaugural Dinner in March.



At a festive dinner in March attended by more than five hundred dignitaries, The Asia Society celebrated the opening of its Hong Kong Center, the Society's first regional center in Asia.

Robert A. Scalapino, Robson Research Professor of Government Emeritus at the University of California, Berkeley, and a trustee of the Society, gave the keynote address. His Honour Sir David Ford, Deputy to the Governor of Hong Kong, officiated at the opening ceremony. Other speakers included Sir Quo-Wei Lee,

Robert A. Scalapino delivered the keynote address at the Center's Inaugural Dinner.



chairman of the Hong Kong Center; John C. Whitehead, chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Asia Society; Robert B. Oxnam, president of the Society; and Burton Levin, former U.S. ambassador to Myanmar (Burma) and consul general in Hong Kong, who is the first director of the Hong Kong Center.

In his welcoming remarks on behalf of the governor, Sir David noted that Hong Kong, the West's traditional gateway to Asia, is well situated to play a major role in the emergence over the next ten years of what some have dubbed the Pacific Century.

With Hong Kong scheduled to undergo a transfer from British to Chinese sovereignty in 1997, the focal point of the Hong Kong Center's first year of operation was a series of lectures about Asian issues delivered to standing-room-only audiences of Hong Kong and other business leaders and diplomats.

In April, Australia's Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Gareth Evans, just returned from a trip to China, reported that he was encouraged by initial Chinese responses to Australian concerns about human-rights abuses on the mainland.

President Benno C. Schmidt of Yale University spoke in June about the role of freedom of expression in a free society, a subject that has aroused great concern among residents of Hong Kong as they anticipate the changeover to Chinese sovereignty before the end of the decade.

World Premiere of *Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey*

“To the throbbing melody of the stringed rebab rising over the densely textured rhythms of hand drums and gongs, a group of dancers in elaborate crowns and costumes of brilliantly colored, handwoven fabric trooped onstage across a bamboo and rope bridge evocative of the Malaysian jungle.” So ran a description in *Dance Magazine* of the Society’s world premiere of *Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey*, which had six performances in June.

In a unique example of cross-cultural collaboration, the Society sent American choreographer Manuel Alum to Malaysia for several months to work with 26 dancers, musicians, shamans and other exponents of traditional Malaysian performing arts. Together they created a thoroughly contemporary international music and dance piece based on the folk dance-dramas *makyong* and *menora* and the

martial art known as *penca silat*. This was the first time any such collaborative project had ever been undertaken, and the first time that a Malaysian music and dance troupe ever appeared in the United States.

Presented as part of the New York International Festival of the Arts, *Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey* was funded by The Starr Foundation and arranged with the cooperation of Yayasan Seni Berdaftar, a Malaysian foundation dedicated to the promotion and preservation of the arts.



From *Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey*



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Washington Center Corporate Programs at Record Level

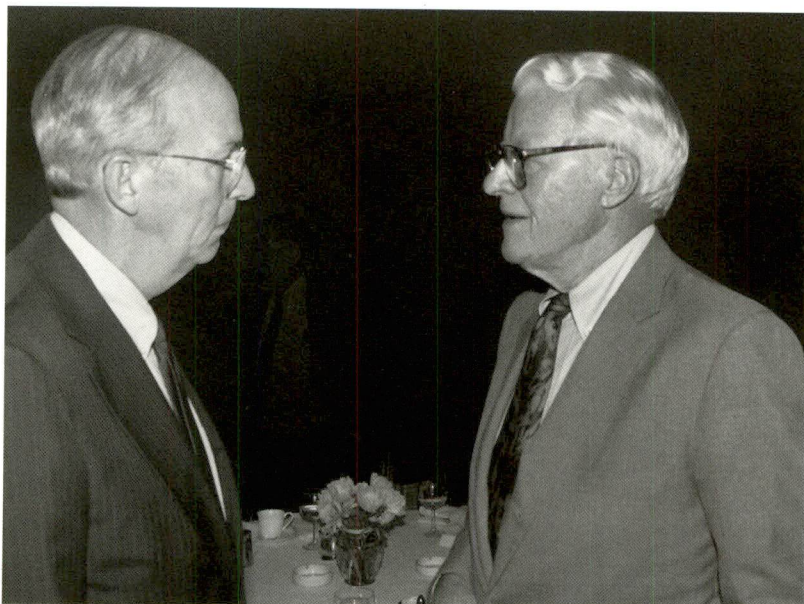
With corporate interest in Asia continuing to grow and deepen, the Washington Center of The Asia Society organized a record number of corporate programs during the past year. At the same time, corporate membership increased to an all-time high of 36.

The ever-expanding corporate community in Washington was especially interested in meeting and exchanging views with decision makers in the United States government and in Asian embassies in the nation's capital.

Among the most popular corporate programs offered last year were the off-the-record briefings given by American ambassadors and chief diplomatic representatives to four Asian nations: Korea, Indonesia, Taiwan and Singapore.

To serve its corporate membership better, the Washington Center established a Corporate Council under Chairman John W. Gray, Jr., vice president for corporate affairs at AT&T. The 13-member council will meet twice a year, to assist Center staff in developing programs and securing speakers and presenters.

In another series of programs, Asian ambassadors and other high-ranking officials from four Asian countries—Indonesia, Taiwan, India and Hong Kong—briefed audiences of Asian and American business leaders on economic and trade issues. Providing a different and complementary approach to understanding the region, three American experts spoke about commercial relations with Japan, China and other Asian nations.



Jeffrey Crespi

John W. Gray, Jr., Chairman of the Washington Center's newly established Corporate Council, with Robert Orr, U.S. Ambassador to Singapore, who spoke at an Ambassadors' Briefing corporate program.

Stories of Women: Films By and About Indian Women

A rare view of contemporary and traditional Indian life as seen through the eyes of three Indian women directors was the subject of the Society's film festival "Stories of Women: Films By and About Indian Women" held November 6 through 14, 1991.

Three of India's most distinguished directors—Vijaya Mehta, Aparna Sen and Soudhamini—were present for screenings of their films and participated in panel discussions on topics ranging from their own work and the challenges of filmmaking in the Third World to the general life situation for women in Indian society.

"Telling Stories to the World: Indian Film and Global Cinema" was a panel discussion that followed a screening of Soudhamini's *It Rested*, a film on the music and dance of the Malaiaalees tribal community of the remote mountain ranges of Tamil Nadu. Cosponsored by The Asia Society and the Independent Feature Project, the panel brought the three Indian directors together with Ela Troyano, of the Latino Collaborative



Laura S. Fieber

and The New York Film Festival Downtown, and Berenice Reynaud, film critic for *Cahiers du Cinema* and Rockefeller Foundation Scholar-in-Residence at the Whitney Museum. Richard Pena of The Film Society of Lincoln Center served as moderator.

Mira Nair, director of *Salaam Bombay*, joined the three guest directors for a second panel discussion, which was cosponsored by The Asia Society and New York Women in Film and moderated by independent producer Muriel Peters, following a screening of Aparna Sen's *Picnic*.

Other films in the festival included Aparna Sen's *Parama* and *Sati* and Vijaya Mehta's *Rao Saheb* and *Smriti Chitre* (Memory Episodes).

Performing arts, film and lecture programs at The Asia Society are underwritten by a grant from the Joseph H. Hazen Foundation.

Filmmakers Vijaya Mehta, Mira Nair, Aparna Sen (back, left to right) and Soudhamini (front right) participated in a panel discussion moderated by independent producer Muriel Peters at The Asia Society.

Houston Center Coordinates Festival of Indonesia Events

As part of its ever-expanding outreach to Houston's growing Asian community, the Houston Center of The Asia Society served as coordinating office for the many events of the nationwide Festival of Indonesia held in the city.

Working closely with Indonesian Consul General Tengku Dahlia Soemolang, the Center helped to support and publicize three important art exhibitions: *Beyond the Java Sea: Art of Indonesia's Outer Islands*, a traveling exhibition that had its national premiere at the Houston Museum of Natural Science; *Sculpture of Indonesia* at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; and *Modern Indonesian Art: Three Generations of Tradition and Change, 1945–1990* at the Sewell Gallery, Rice University.

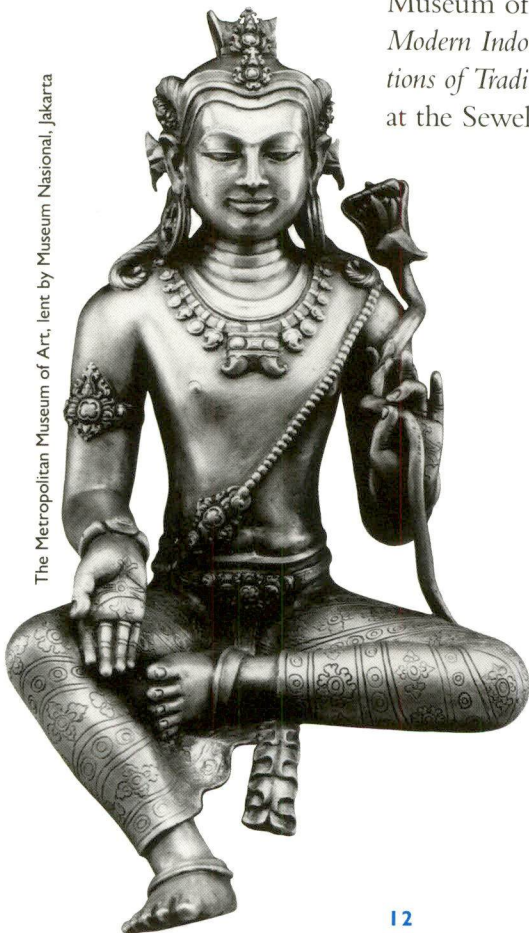
The Festival of Indonesia received its local kickoff with a performance of the Saman Dance Group of Sumatra at a reception in the Museum of Fine Arts, cosponsored by the Houston Center of The Asia Society, the Museum of Natural Science and the Indonesian Consulate.

A highpoint of the six-month series of Festival events under the joint sponsorship of the Center and the Consulate was the all-day Indonesian Bazaar held in Houston's Galleria.

In addition, the Houston Center organized a number of programs on its own, ranging from an exhibition of Indonesian textiles to a briefing on doing business in Indonesia by U.S. Ambassador John Holdridge, whose talk inaugurated the Center's new Business Customs Series.

The success of the collaboration with the Indonesian Consulate will serve as a model for a similar venture with the Korean Consulate during The Asia Society's Korean Festival in 1993–1994.

Silver Bodhisattva Manjushri, Central Java, early 10th century. From the exhibition *Sculpture of Indonesia* at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.



The Metropolitan Museum of Art, lent by Museum Nasional, Jakarta

The Saman Performers of Aceh, Sumatra, appeared in Houston during the Festival of Indonesia.



Rachel Cooper

Conference Looks at Environmental Activism in Asia and the U.S.

While the rapid expansion of Asian economies continues to make headlines in the world press, the environmental costs of development in the region are less well known. A ground-breaking conference entitled “Beyond Boundaries: Issues in Asian and American Environmental Activism” brought together 14 grass-roots activists from South and Southeast Asia with more than sixty environmental advocates from the United States. The conference was sponsored by The Asia Society in conjunction with the Sierra Club, the World Wildlife Fund and the World Resources Institute.

In two days of panel discussions and plenary sessions, both the similarities and the differences between environmental activism in Asia and the West were thoroughly aired. Since some of the Asian countries represented have little or no tradition of public dissent, the non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that speak out for the environment there often face official repression. Environmental NGOs in Asia also tend to be more aware of the political, economic and human-rights dimensions of environmental activism because, in many cases, the environments they are trying to preserve are not remote “wildernesses” but human habitats where people have lived for countless generations.

Following the sessions in New York, the Asian delegates divided into three groups to travel to Miami, Sacramento, Seattle and Los Angeles to meet with grass-roots activists who are concerned with pollution, lumbering and other environmental issues common to both Asia and the United States.

Despite differences in approach and agenda, a general consensus emerged from the conference that closer communication and even cooperation between environmental groups in Asia and the West would be beneficial to all concerned.

The Beyond Boundaries conference was made possible by contributions from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Rockefeller Foundation and the Ford Foundation.

Sunita Narain, Co-director of the Center for Science and Environment in India; Agus Purnomo, former Director of the Indonesian Environmental Forum; and Edtami Mansayagan, Director of the Tribal Filipino Center for Development; with panel moderator Theodore Smith, Executive Director of the Consultative Group on Biological Diversity.



Geoffrey Biddle

Nationwide Programs Spotlight Asian American Experience

With Asian Americans comprising the fastest-growing ethnic minority in the United States, The Asia Society has undertaken a wide-ranging series of programs to examine the Asian American experience in all its variety.

In New York, audiences heard talks by two novelists, Gish Jen (*Typical American*) and Gus Lee (*China Boy*), who have written about the challenge of adjusting to life in communities with values very different from the Asian homeland. At a President's Forum in June, Society President Robert B. Oxnam interviewed Bharati Mukherjee, a native of Calcutta whose book *The Middleman and Other Stories* was the first work by a naturalized American citizen to win the National Book Critics Circle Award for fiction.

In Los Angeles, the Southern California Regional Center cosponsored with the Asian Pacific American Friends of the Center Theater Group a dialogue with Philip Kan Gotanda,

author of *The Wash*. A roundtable discussion on "Profiles in Leadership" featured Michael Woo, the first Asian American elected to the Los Angeles City Council; Linda Wong, executive director of the Achievement Council; Professor William Ouchi of the Anderson Graduate School of Management, UCLA; Ki Suh Park, managing partner of Gruen Associates; and novelist Bharati Mukherjee.

Three panel discussions on the topic "Chinese Americans: Fact and Fiction" were presented by The Asia Society and its affiliated China Councils in Portland, Oregon; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Boulder, Colorado. Participants included Professor Edward Rhoads of the University of Texas, Austin; Loni Ding, filmmaker; Linda Fang, storyteller; Cherylene Lee, playwright; Shawn Wong, writer and associate professor at the University of Washington, Seattle; Genny Lim, playwright, poet and actress; D. Roberts, playwright, actress and radio anchor; and Professor William Wei of the University of Colorado.

To bring together the broadest range of opinions on the complex issues facing Asian Americans, The Asia Society is organizing a national symposium entitled "The Asian American Experience: Looking Ahead," which will convene in Los Angeles in October 1991.

A panel discussion in Los Angeles on "Profiles in Leadership" included, left to right: Ki Suh Park, Gruen Associates; Marshall M. Bouton, The Asia Society; Los Angeles City Councilman Michael Woo; Linda Wong, Achievement Council; and novelist Bharati Mukherjee.



Senator Rockefeller Addresses Annual Dinner

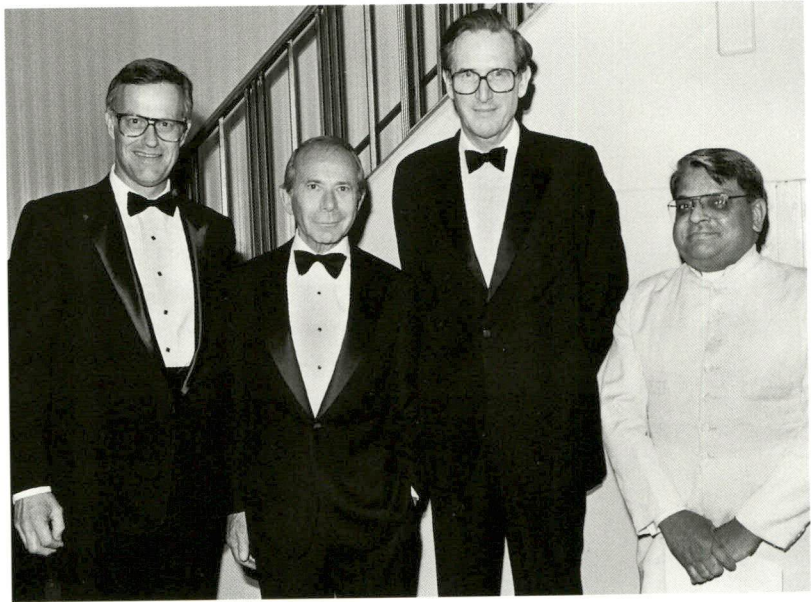
Twenty-four ambassadors and consuls general from Asian and Pacific countries were among the more than six hundred guests who gathered in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel to hear John D. Rockefeller IV, United States senator from West Virginia, deliver the keynote address at the 1990–91 Annual Dinner of The Asia Society on July 1, 1991.

Maurice R. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of American International Group, Inc., and a longtime trustee of the Society, served as chairman of the annual dinner for the second year in a row.

At the dinner, Robert B. Oxnam, president of the Society, announced the creation of a Center for India–U.S. Education, which will begin by organizing conferences, symposia and seminars for the New York headquarters and regional centers of the Society. President Oxnam said that funding for the new initiative came from the Hinduja Foundation, whose chairman, Srichand P. Hinduja, is a member of the Society’s International Council.

Rajendra K. Rai, Consul General of India, and Mrs. Rai headed a delegation of Indian dignitaries who attended the dinner, which featured a cultural tribute to India. Birju Maharaj, a master of the classical dance of North India, performed a selection of Kathak dances, including one dedicated to Beate Gordon, who retired this year as director of performing arts for The Asia Society.

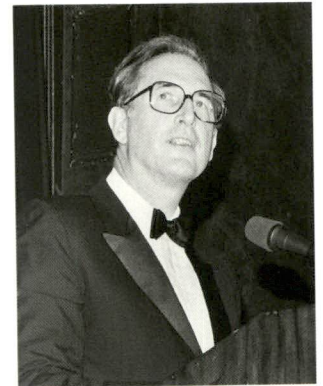
At the Annual Dinner, from left to right: Robert B. Oxnam, President of The Asia Society; Maurice R. Greenberg, Chairman of the 1990–91 Dinner; Senator John D. Rockefeller IV, guest speaker; and Rajendra K. Rai, Consul General of India.



Elsa Ruiz

In his address on “The United States and Asia in a Changing World,” Senator Rockefeller, whose father, John D. Rockefeller 3rd, founded the Society in 1956, said that if the United States is to fulfill its role as leader of the free world and as a strong partner with Asia, its citizens must recognize that “an economically strong America is the cornerstone of our foreign policy; and even more, that a strong foreign policy is essential to our economic well being. . . . Good relations are built on strength and respect.”

President Oxnam noted that 1991 was the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Society and the 10th anniversary of the opening of the Society’s Park Avenue headquarters.



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Senator John D. Rockefeller IV of West Virginia was guest speaker at the Annual Dinner.

19th Williamsburg Conference Held in Sydney, Australia

Senator Gareth Evans, Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, gave the keynote address at the opening dinner of the 19th annual Williamsburg Conference in Sydney, Australia.



Gareth Evans, the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, was the keynote speaker at the opening of the 19th annual Williamsburg Conference held in Sydney, Australia, in February.

The latest in this series of high-level forums, which was launched in 1971 by John D. Rockefeller 3rd, founder of The Asia Society, brought together 48 statesmen, business leaders and scholars

from 14 countries to discuss issues that affect the entire Pacific region.

Much of the discussion centered on the changing outlook for regional security in light of world events, including the collapse of communist governments in Eastern Europe and the war in the Persian Gulf. Many participants stressed that with the decline of ideological conflicts, questions of security and economics would be more tightly intertwined than ever before. Panelists dealt in depth with two areas of controversy: the future of American–Japanese relations and the prospects for economic reform in the Soviet Union, China and Vietnam.

In his keynote address, Senator Evans said that there was room for optimism in the new willingness of nations to work toward “common security,” a concept based on building mutual confidence between neighbors in a realistic, step-by-step fashion.

The conference was hosted by the Australian Institute of International Affairs, with generous financial support from the IBM Corporation, the NOVA Corporation of Alberta and a number of Japanese and Australian firms.



Enjoying a break from conference sessions: Toshio Yamazaki of Japan; John Bresnan, Williamsburg Conference Director; Yuan Lee of Singapore; and Jusuf Wanandi of Indonesia.

Exploring Cultural Diversity at the Southern California Center

The Southern California Center of The Asia Society and AT&T presented the second and third in a series of symposia on *Pacific Technopolis: The United States and Asia in the 21st Century*, with the active support and input of local community and corporate leaders.

The select audiences of business executives, journalists, scholars, policy makers and diplomats joined in discussions of the challenges and opportunities facing Southern California as a hub of the burgeoning Pacific Rim region.

The extraordinary cultural diversity of the region was reflected in the range of topics, speakers and even in the venues of the meetings.

The second symposium in the series, entitled “Maximizing Human Potential in the New Multicultural Workforce,” was held in September at the Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena. Speakers included William C. W. Mow, chairman and CEO of Bugle Boy Industries, and Peter Sellars, director of the Los Angeles Festival.

The third symposium, “Investment in Human Capital and the Challenges of Global Trade,” was held in November at the Hughes Aircraft Company headquarters in Los Angeles. A panel discussion on the role of the communications media in the “new global marketplace” brought together representatives of American television and radio, the Spanish-language newspaper *La Opinion*, the *Korea Times* and the *U.S. Japan Business News*.

A 32-page report on the entire series was written by David S. Grimes, the first AT&T Fellow at The Asia Society/Southern California Center.



Participating in The Asia Society and AT&T's *Pacific Technopolis* symposium were, left to right: David Arase, Pomona College; David Lyon, The RAND Corporation; and Victor Pelson, AT&T.

Contemporary Affairs and Education

Conferences and Symposia

China: Backward or Forward? Symposium with Tu Weiming, Harvard University; Steven Levine, Duke University; Deborah Davis, Yale University. Cosponsored by the University of Missouri. St. Louis, Missouri. September 1990

Korea: The Next Economic Miracle? Seminar with Philip Habib, former U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea; Carter Eckert, Harvard University; Hagen Koo, University of Hawaii; Michael Robinson, University of Southern California; Il Sakong, former ROK Minister of Finance; Chae-jin Lee, Claremont McKenna College; John Bennett, former President, Korea Economic Institute. Cosponsored by Stanford University. Stanford, California. January 1991

Contemporary Korea: Issues in Women's Studies. Seminar with Laurel Kendall, American Museum of Natural History; Kyeyoung Park, UCLA; Hei-soo Shin, Rutgers University; Seungkyung Kim, University of Maryland; Jean-kyung Chung, University of Illi-

nois. Cosponsored by the University of Illinois. Urbana, Illinois. February 1991

Seeds of Peace in the Killing Fields: 1991 Indochina Conference. Two weeks of cultural events and discussions about war and peace in Cambodia and Vietnam. Cosponsored by the Christopher Reynolds Foundation, Inc., the Henry Luce Foundation and Occidental College. At Occidental College, Los Angeles, California. April 1991

Chinese American Fact, Film and Fiction: Parents and Children. Symposium with Cherylene Lee, poet and playwright; Genny Lim, New College of California; Edward Rhoads, University of Texas; D. Roberts, playwright and radio producer; Shawn Wong, University of Washington. Cosponsored by the Northwest Regional China Council. Portland, Oregon. May 1991

China: Backward or Forward? Symposium with Joseph Esherick, University of California, San Diego; Merle Goldman, Boston University; Leo Ou Fan Lee, University of California, Los Angeles; Steven Levine, Duke University;

Peter Perdue, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Cosponsored by the Asia Education Network. Minneapolis, Minnesota. May 1991

Chinese Americans: Fact and Fiction. Symposium with Linda Fang, storyteller; Edward Rhoads, University of Texas; Shawn Wong, University of Washington; Cherylene Lee, poet and playwright. Cosponsored by the Institute of World Affairs. Milwaukee, Wisconsin. June 1991

China: Backward or Forward? Symposium with Timothy Check, The Colorado College; Deborah Davis, Yale University; Gregory Lee, University of Chicago; Steven Levine, Duke University; Martin King Whyte, University of Michigan. Cosponsored by the University of Colorado at Denver's International Affairs Program and the Colorado Consortium for East Asian Studies. Denver, Colorado. June 1991

China: Backward or Forward? Symposium with Steven Levine, Duke University; Martin King Whyte, University of Michigan; Jeffrey Wasserstrom, University of Kentucky; Madeleine Zelin, Columbia University. Co-

sponsored by the University of Louisville's International Studies Program and The Crane House. Louisville, Kentucky. June 1991

China: Backward or Forward? Symposium with Merle Goldman, Boston University; Michael Hunt, University of North Carolina; Martin King Whyte, University of Michigan. Washington, D.C. June 1991

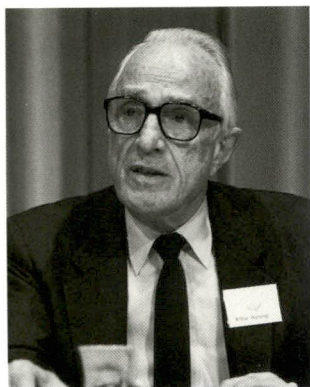
Chinese Americans: Fact and Fiction. Symposium with Linda Fang, storyteller; Edward Rhoads, University of Texas; Cherylene Lee, poet and playwright; Loni Ding, Vox Productions. Cosponsored by the Colorado China Council. Boulder, Colorado. June 1991

India Threatened: What Does the Future Hold? Symposium with Abid Hussain, Indian Ambassador to the United States; Harry Barnes, Jr., former U.S. Ambassador to India; Robert Goheen, former U.S. Ambassador to India; Marshall M. Bouton, The Asia Society; Stephen Cohen, University of Illinois; Ainslee Embree, Columbia University; Selig Harrison, Carnegie Endowment on Ethics and International Affairs; Atul Kohli, Princeton University; Susanne Rudolph, University of Chicago; T. N. Srinivasan, Yale University. New York. June 1991



Francine R. Frankel, University of Pennsylvania; Peter Howell, Citibank; Teresita C. Schaffer, U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs; and Phillips Talbot, The Asia Society, in a panel discussion at the symposium "India Threatened: What Does the Future Hold?" in New York, June 1991.

Arthur W. Hummel, Jr., former U.S. Ambassador, chaired the "China and East Asia" conference at Wingspread Conference Center, Racine, Wisconsin, January 1991.



China and East Asia: Implications for American Policy.

Conference chaired by Arthur W. Hummel, Jr. Hosted by the Johnson Foundation at its Wingspread Conference Facility, followed by regional symposia. Racine, Wisconsin. January 1991

China and the World Community: Perspectives for the 90s. Houston, Texas. January 1991

China in Asia: Implications for U.S. Policy. Los Angeles, California. January 1991

Beyond Boundaries: Issues in Asian and American Environmental Activism.

Conference cosponsored by the Sierra Club, World Resources Institute and World Wildlife Fund, followed by regional symposia. New York. April 1991

Reclaiming the Environment in Asia: Three Activists Speak Out. A public discussion at The Asia Society chaired by Theodore Smith, Executive Director, Consultative Group on Biological Diversity, with Edtami Mansayagan, Director, Tribal Filipino Center for Development; Sunita Narain, Co-director, Center for Science and Environment, India; Agus Purnomo, former Director, Indonesian Environmental Forum (WALHI). New York. April 1991

Florida Symposium. A three-day series of meetings and visits to environmental sites, including the Florida Keys and the Everglades. Organized and cosponsored by the Sierra Club. Participants: Philip Gain, Songpol Jetanavanich and Sunita Narain. Miami, Florida. April 1991

Sacramento Symposium. Three days of meetings with environmental workers and tours of sites of environmental concern. Organized and cosponsored by the Sierra Club, Sacramento. Participants: Qazi Faruque Ahmed, S. R. Hiremath, Maximo Kalaw and Gurmit Singh. Sacramento, California. April 1991

Seattle Symposium. Three days of presentations and meetings with local environmental and Native American groups, including an overflight of Seattle-area forests by Project Lighthawk. Organized and cosponsored by the Sierra Club. Participants: Avadhani Popuri Nageswara, Surya Dhungel, Hira Jhamtani, Kishokumar and Edtami Mansayagan. Seattle, Washington. April 1991

Los Angeles Symposium. One-day workshop. Moderated by Patrick Del Duca, O'Melveny & Myers. Speakers: Qazi Faruque Ahmed, Surya Dhungel, S. R. Hiremath, Philip Gain, Songpol Jetanavanich, Hira Jhamtani, Gurmit Singh and Kenneth G. Riley. Los Angeles, California. April 1991

Korean Peninsula Study Mission to Asia

Study mission to examine issues relating to unification of the Korean peninsula. Chaired by Robert A. Scapalino, Robson Research Professor Emeritus, University of California at Berkeley, with William Fuller, President, The Asia Foundation; David Gardner,

President, University of California; Admiral Ronald J. Hays, President, The Center for High Technology Research; Karen Elliott House, Vice President, Dow Jones International; Charles William Maynes, Editor, *Foreign Policy*; Hugh Patrick, Columbia University; Russell A. Phillips, Jr., Rockefeller Brothers Fund; Alan D. Romberg, Council on Foreign Relations; David S. Tappan, Jr., CEO, Fluor Corporation; Donald S. Zagoria, Hunter College. May 7-29, 1991



Study Mission Seminars. Held with the Chinese People's Institute for Foreign Affairs, Beijing, May 9; the Institute for Disarmament and Peace, Pyongyang, May 13-14; Seoul Forum on International Relations, Seoul, May 20; Japan Forum on International Relations, Tokyo, May 23; Institute of Oriental Studies, Moscow, May 27, 1991

Lectures and Meetings

Soviet Perspectives on the Korean Peninsula. Breakfast meeting with Gennady Chufrin, Institute of Oriental Studies, Moscow. New York. October 1990

The Effect of the Prime Ministers' Meetings on North-South Korean Relations. Luncheon meeting with Hong Koo Lee, Special Advisor to the President of the Republic of Korea for Political Affairs. New York. November 1990

Korea's New Role in the Global Economy: Looking North and South. Lecture by David Steinberg, Georgetown University. Cosponsored by The Crane House, The International Center of the University of Louisville and the Louisville World Affairs Council. Louisville, Kentucky. December 1990

Meeting with Ganesh Man Singh, Head of the Nepalese Congress Party. Presented by Leon Weil, former U.S. Ambassador to Nepal, with Marshall M. Bouton, The

Left to right: Harry Harding, The Brookings Institution; Zhang Wenpu, former Chinese Ambassador; and Lev Deliusin, Institute for International Economic and Political Studies, Moscow, at the conference on China and East Asia, Wingspread Conference Center, Racine, Wisconsin, January 1991.

Asia Society; William Fisher, Columbia University; Richard Murphy, Council on Foreign Relations; Robert B. Oxnam, The Asia Society; Theodore Riccardi, Columbia University. New York. December 1990

The Korean War and its Significance in Contemporary Inter-Korean Relations: A Discussion. Presentations by Bruce Cumings, University of Chicago; John Merrill, Department of State. Cosponsored by the Department of Slavic and Eastern

Languages, Boston College. Boston, Massachusetts. December 1990

Luncheon Meeting with Julia Chang Bloch, United States Ambassador to Nepal. Presented by Leon Weil, former U.S. Ambassador to Nepal. New York. January 1991

Korean Culture through Its Literature. Lecture by David McCann, Cornell University. Cosponsored by The Asian Studies Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Oklahoma. Norman, Oklahoma. January 1991

Luncheon Meeting with Wasim Sajjad, Chairman of the Senate of Pakistan. New York. June 1991

Educational Activities

Japan Trail '90. Two-week study program in Japan for junior high school students and teachers. July 1990

Japan Teachers' Workshop 1991. A series of educational events for New York City high school teachers. *Sandcastle* (Suna no ue no Robinson): Film presentation followed by reception honoring film director Junichi Suzuki. "Tea Ceremony Workshop": Conducted by tea master Hisashi Yamada at Urasenke Chanoyu Center. "The Widening Information Gap between America and Japan: U.S. and Japanese Media Coverage with Emphasis on the Gulf War": Panel discussion with Susumu Ohara, *Japan Economic Journal*; David Owens, Dentsu Burson-Marsteller; Sally Solo, *Fortune Magazine*. Moderated by Robert B. Oxnam, The Asia Society. "Japanese Family and Society": Lecture by Victoria Lyon-Bestor, Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture, Columbia University. New York. April–May 1991

Narongchai Akrasanee, Chairman of the Board of Directors, General Finance and Securities Co., Ltd. of Thailand, and Henry A. Kissinger, former U.S. Secretary of State, at the ASEAN conference in Bali, March 1991.

Learning about Asia through Games and Activities. A day of special events for third graders from a Brooklyn school. June 1991

Publications

Annual Volumes
China Briefing, 1990. Edited by Anthony J. Kane. Copublished with Westview Press. July 1990

India Briefing, 1990. Edited by Marshall M. Bouton and Philip Oldenburg. Copublished with Westview Press. August 1990

Korea Briefing, 1990. Edited by Chong-Sik Lee. Copublished with Westview Press. December 1990

Report

The Last Tree: Reclaiming the Environment in Tropical Asia. By James Rush. April 1991

Asian Updates

The 1990 Prime Ministers' Meetings Between North and South Korea: An Analysis. By Young Whan Kihl. October 1990

Turning Crisis to Advantage: The Politics of Japan's Gulf Energy Strategy. By Ronald A. Morse. December 1990

Korea's Experiment With Democracy. By Sung-Joo Han. February 1991

Philippine Base Negotiations and Implications for Security in Southeast Asia. By Fred Greene. March 1991

Educational Materials

Options for Women at Mid-Life. Fifth program in *Video Letter from Japan II* series for use in high schools and colleges. April 1991



My Neighborhood/Japanese Geography and The Traditional Home/The Modern Home. Two new, double-sided instructional posters on Japan intended for use in elementary and junior high schools. May 1991

Corporate Program

Meetings

Modernization of the Thai Financial System. Chavalit Thanachanan, Governor, Bank of Thailand. September 1990

Investment Issues in Asia. Philip Brass, Managing Director, Pacific Dunlop Limited, Australia. September 1990

Change in Asia: An Australian Perspective. Senator Gareth Evans, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia. Cosponsored by American Australian Association and The Australia Society. September 1990

Perspectives on Indonesia's Capital Market. Marzuki Usman, Chairman, Jakarta Stock Exchange, Indonesia. September 1990

Emerging Trends in the Indian Economy. Ram Nath Malhotra, Governor, Reserve Bank of India. October 1990

Corporate Breakfast Meeting. Daniel A. O'Donohue, U.S. Ambassador to Thailand. October 1990

Malaysian Economy and Capital Market: An Update. Nik Mohamed Din, Executive Chairman, Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange, Malaysia. Cosponsored by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. October 1990

Sri Lanka: A Business Update. Nissanka Wijewardene, Director-General, Greater Colombo Economic Commission; Susantha De Alwis, Sri Lanka Ambassador to the United States; Mark Pursell, UNIDO/IPS Office; Peter Howell, Group Marketing Executive, Citicorp/Citibank. Jointly presented with Citicorp/Citibank, the Business Council for International Understanding and S. J. Rundt Associates with the Women's Economic Round Table. October 1990

U.S.–Japan Trade Relations: Implications for Asia. S. Linn Williams, Deputy United States Trade Representative. November 1990

Vietnam: Joining the World Economy. Barry Wain, Editor, *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, Hong Kong, and Jerome A. Cohen, Partner, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison. November 1990

Securities Regulation: Getting the Right Balance. Robert Owen, Chairman, Securities and Futures Commission, Hong Kong. November 1990

Risk and Reward in Asia's Emerging Markets. Robert Lloyd George, Managing Director, Indosuez Asia Investment Services, Ltd., Hong Kong. November 1990

Some Observations on Australian Economic Policy. Bernie Fraser, Governor, Reserve Bank of Australia. Cosponsored by American Australian Association and The Australia Society. November 1990

Investment Opportunities in Malaysia. Datin Paduka Rafidah Aziz, Minister of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia. November 1990

The Path to New Zealand's Enterprise Economy. Ruth Richardson, Minister of Finance, New Zealand. Cosponsored by U.S.-New Zealand Council. February 1991

An Administration Update on U.S.-Asia Economic and Trade Relations: Focus on Japan and Korea. Charles H. Dallara, U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs. February 1991

U.S.-Korea Trade Relations: Toward a New Era of Economic Cooperation. Bong-suh Lee, Minister of Trade and Industry, Republic of Korea. April 1991

Economic Reforms in Pakistan. Sartaj Aziz, Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs, Pakistan. April 1991

The Rhino, The Birds and The Outlook for Hong Kong's Financial Sector. John M. Gray, Deputy Chairman, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, Hong Kong. Cosponsored by The Hong Kong Association of New York, Inc. May 1991

The Chinese Economy in the '90s. Rong Yiren, Chairman, China International Trust and Investment Corporation, People's Republic of China. May 1991

My Last Two Years in China and What Might Happen Next. James R. Lilley, former U.S. Ambassador to China. June 1991

Executive Briefing

Taiwan's Financial Sector: Going Global. Moderated by S. James O'Connor, Baring Securities, Inc. With In-jaw Lai, Ministry of Finance, Taiwan; Harry Harding, The Brookings Institution; Liang Chang and David S. Meyerson, Shearson-Global Financial Services Co., Ltd.; Sunny Chen, W. I. Carr (Taiwan) Ltd.; Kuo-shu Liang, Bank of Communications, Taiwan; Ching-ing Hou Liang, National Chengchi University, Taiwan. May 1991



Conference

The ASEAN Countries and the World Economy: Challenge of Change. Co-organizing Sponsors: The Asia Society and The Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, in cooperation with *Fortune*. Host Corporate Sponsor: PT Astra International. Corporate Sponsors: Bangkok Bank Limited; Bank Central Asia; Bank Dagang Negara; The Bank of Tokyo, Limited; Exxon Corporation; PT Garuda Indonesia; PT Jardine Fleming Nusantara; Keppel Corporation; Molex Incorporated; Motorola Incorporated; PETRONAS; Taisho Marine and Fire Insurance Company, Limited; Yaohan International Co., Limited. Corporate Supporters: Freeport-McMoRan Inc.; Gemala Group; Guardian Industries Corporation; Sime Darby Berhad; Pertamina; PT Usaha Sistim Informasi Jaya, agent for IBM World Trade Corporation; Indonesia Growth

Sartaj Aziz (left), Pakistan's Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs, speaking with L. Oakley Johnson of American International Group at a New York corporate program in April 1991.

Two Angels or Peris, ink on paper drawing, Timurid Iran, late 15th century. From the exhibition *The Here and the Hereafter: Images of Paradise in Islamic Art*.

Fund I (Gemala-Orient-Lehman Brothers). Bali, Indonesia. March 1991

Galleries

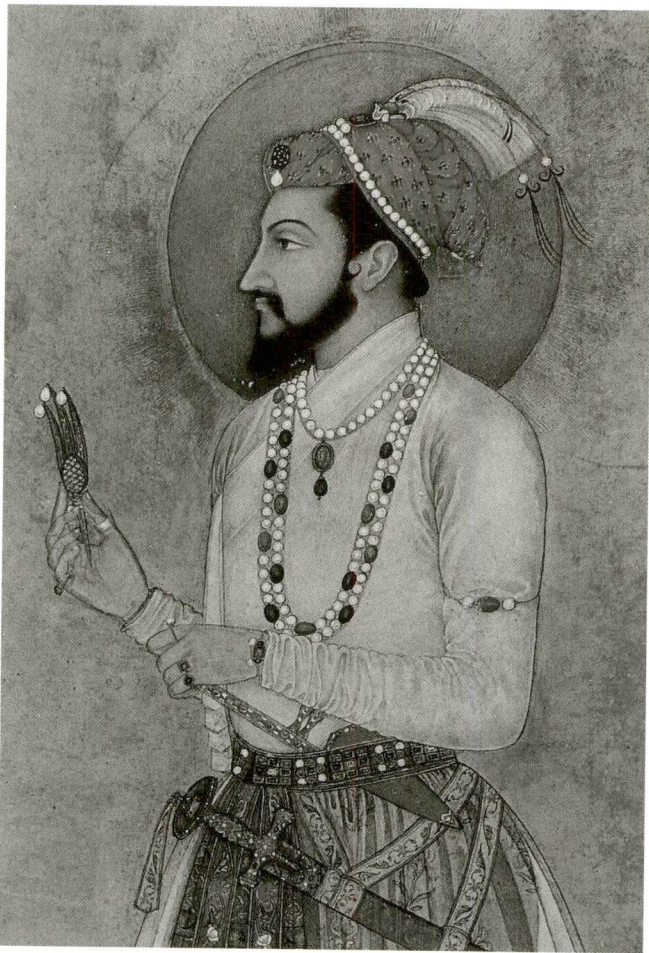
Exhibitions

Court Arts of Indonesia. C. V. Starr Gallery, Arthur Ross Gallery, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Gallery. September 19-December 16, 1990

Curated by Helen Ibbitson Jessup, who also authored the accompanying catalogue, this exhibition was organized by The Asia Society Galleries. After leaving The Asia Society, *Court Arts of Indonesia* traveled to the Dallas Museum of Art; the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution; and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.

Romance of the Taj Mahal. C. V. Starr Gallery, Arthur Ross Gallery, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Gallery. January 16-March 17, 1991





Portrait of Shah Jahan (detail), opaque watercolor on paper, India, Mogul, c. 1635. From the exhibition *Romance of the Taj Mahal*.

Archives of Asian Art, Vol. XLIII. Annual journal published by The Asia Society Galleries. Essays by Robert W. Bagley, Denise Patry Leidy, Amy McNair and Steven Miles Kossak. October 1990

The Story of a Painting: A Korean Buddhist Treasure from The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation. Written by Hongnam Kim. Published by The Asia Society Galleries. 58 pages with 35 illustrations. April 1991

Performances, Films and Lectures

Performances at The Asia Society

Balinese Dance. Mini-performances of traditional Balinese dance, with demonstrations of crafts, ritual arts and painting. Presented as part of the Festival of Indonesia. Four weekends: October 6–28, 1990

Indonesian Fashion Show. Celebrated Indonesian designer Iwan Tirta presenting his own designs as well as traditional Indonesian court attire, with special dance performance by Happy Soeryadjaya and her troupe. Presented as part of the Festival of Indonesia. October 24, 1990

Wayang Kulit—Indonesian Shadow Theater. Stories from Hindu mythology and Javanese legends, with demonstrations of shadow puppetry technique, gamelan instruments and batik painting. Presented as part of the Festival of Indonesia. Four weekends: November 3–25, 1990

After leaving The Asia Society, it traveled to Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Brunswick, Maine; the University Art Museum, Berkeley, California; and the Museum of Fine Arts, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Photography

Spirit and Place. Color photographs of Indonesia by John Gollings, which accompanied the *Court Arts of Indonesia* exhibition. Burke Room. September 19–December 16, 1990

Publications

Court Arts of Indonesia. Written by Helen Ibbison Jessup. 288 pages with 228 illustrations. Hardcover published by The Asia Society Galleries in association with Harry N. Abrams, Inc. Paperback published by The Asia Society Galleries. September 1990

This exhibition was organized by the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and traveled to the Toledo Museum of Art, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and The Asia Society.

The Story of a Painting: A Korean Buddhist Treasure from The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation. C. V. Starr Gallery. April 30–July 28, 1991

This exhibition was curated by Asia Society curator Hongnam Kim and organized by The Asia Society Galleries.

The Here and the Hereafter: Images of Paradise in Islamic Art. Arthur Ross Gallery, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Gallery. June 27–September 8, 1991

This exhibition was organized by The Hood Museum, Dartmouth College.

Music From Japan: Masters of Traditional Instruments. Shakuhachi master Hozan Yamamoto and koto master Tadao Sawai performing traditional and contemporary music. February 2, 1991

Kronos Plays Music From Japan. The internationally renowned string quartet in a program of contemporary music including the world premiere of a new composition by Somei Sato. February 8, 1991

Sarod Recital—Amjad Ali Khan. Traditional North Indian classical music played by sarod virtuoso Amjad Ali Khan, accompanied by tabla and tambura. Four performances: February 21–24, 1991

Music From Japan: Yuji Takahashi in Recent Works. World premiere of a new work for keyboard, computer and trombone with electronics, by Japan's highly individualistic composer-performer. March 23, 1991

Music From Japan: Music/Technology/Audience II Symposium. Noted technology experts joined composer Yuji Takahashi and performers to discuss the impact of Artificial Intelligence on music today. March 24, 1991

Kifu Mitsuhashi in Concert. The prominent shakuhachi player in a program of traditional and contemporary Japanese music, accompanied by Nanai Yoshimura on the koto. April 17, 1991

Pongsan Masked Dance-Drama of Korea. Leading exponents of one of Korea's oldest performing arts traditions poked fun at the foibles of the rich and powerful in festive comedies. Presented in association with The New York International Festival of the Arts. Three performances: June 8–9, 1991

Yellow Tale Blues, a film by Christine Choy and Renee Tajima, screened January 24, 1991, as part of the Films and Filmmakers Series.



Projected Radiance: The Cinema of Indonesia. The first national exhibition of Indonesian cinema in the U.S. Six films and two panel discussions. Cosponsored by the Festival of Indonesia. May 1–12, 1991

Typical American. Gish Jen. May 15, 1991

China Boy. Gus Lee. May 29, 1991

Art Lectures

Indonesian Odyssey. A series exploring the culture from early history to the present. "Island and Ancestors—Prehistory in Indonesia," Bennet Bronson, October 30, 1990; "Myths and Legends of Java and Bali," Ward Keeler, November 13, 1990; "Sacred Sites—Mosques and Temples of Indonesia," Hugh O'Neill, November 20, 1990; "Mythic Worlds in Change in Village Indonesia," Susan Rodgers, November 27, 1990; "Textiles and Costumes of Indonesia—Enduring Traditions," Iwan Tirta, December 11, 1990

Romance of the Taj Mahal Lecture Series. Supplementing the Society's exhibition. "Art and Politics in the Age of Shah Jahan," Vishakha N. Desai, February 5, 1991; "The Taj Mahal: The Meaning of the Monument," Wayne Begley, February 12, 1991; "Western Perceptions of the Taj Mahal and the Mogul Age," Ainslie Embree, February 19, 1991

Lectures

Meet the Author

A series of talks by authors of recent books on Asian history, culture and contemporary affairs, followed by a reception and book-signing.

My Tibet. Galen Rowell. September 13, 1990

Legacies: A Chinese Mosaic. Bette Bao Lord. September 26, 1990

Angkor: The Hidden Glories. Michael Freeman and Roger Warner. October 29, 1990

Sacred Mountains of the World. Edwin Bernbaum. November 1, 1990

Almost a Revolution. Shen Tong. December 8, 1990

The Laughing Sutra. Mark Salzman. January 23, 1991

In a Little Kingdom. Perry Steiglit. January 31, 1991

In Search of Self in India and Japan: Toward a Cross-Cultural Psychology. Alan Roland. April 18, 1991

Made in Malaysia/A Shamanic Journey. World premiere of a new work created in Malaysia for The Asia Society by American choreographer Manuel Alum, with 26 Malaysian performers. Presented in association with The New York International Festival of the Arts. Six performances: June 20–23, 1991

The Root of Japanese Creative and Contemporary Dance. Lecture and video presentation by Roku Hasegawa, dance critic and editor-in-chief of *Danceworks*. June 27, 1991

Films

Stories of Women: Films By and About Indian Women. Directors Vijaya Mehta, Aparna Sen and Soudhagini. Six films and two panel discussions. November 6–14, 1990

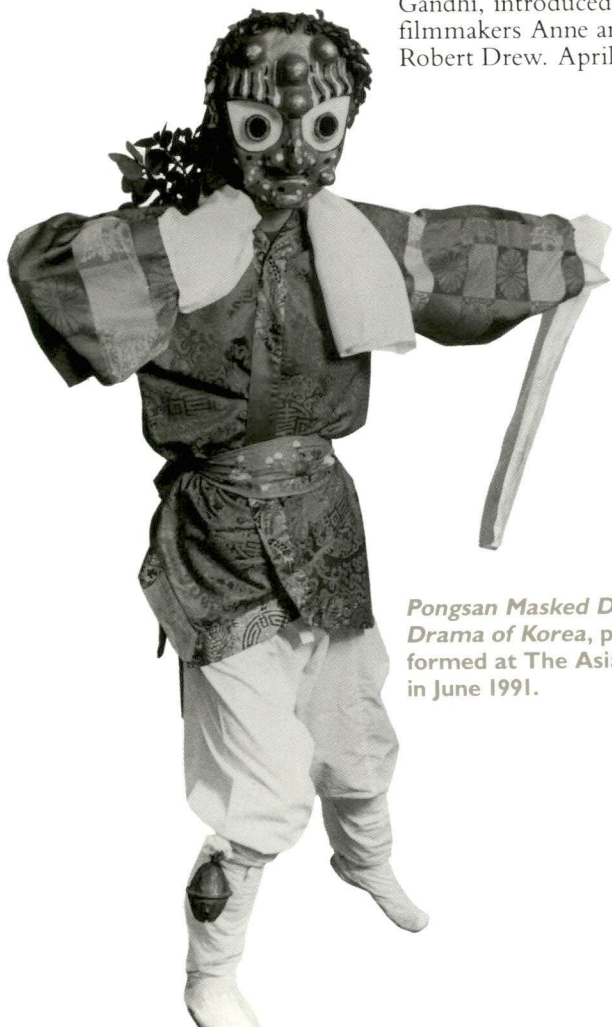
An Evening with Christine Choy and Renee Tajima. Two new works: *Monkey King Looks West* and *Yellow Tale Blues: Two American Families*. January 24, 1991

Kamala and Raji. Ela Bhatt, founder of India's Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) and member of the Indian Parliament, with documentary filmmaker Michael Camerini. Discussion following screening. February 13, 1991

The War Is Over: A Journey Home. Documentary written, produced and directed by Vietnamese American filmmaker Tiana Alexandra. March 7, 1991

Ju Dou. Film by Zhang Yimou, director of *Red Sorghum*. March 8, 1991

Life and Death of a Dynasty. Film on Indian Prime Ministers Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi, introduced by filmmakers Anne and Robert Drew. April 8, 1991



Pongsan Masked Dance-Drama of Korea, performed at The Asia Society in June 1991.

The Art and Culture of Iran. Series opened with a special celebration of *No Rooz*, the Iranian New Year. "Paintings from Persia: A Personal Selection of Masterpieces," Stuart Cary Welch, March 19, 1991; "The Imperial Tradition in Iranian Architecture," Jonathan M. Bloom, March 26, 1991; "Wrought with Silk and Gold," Layla S. Diba, April 2, 1991; "Visions of Paradise: The Story of the Garden in the Ancient Near East," David B. Stronach, April 9, 1991

Korean Art in East Asia. Lectures supplementing the exhibition *The Story of a Painting: A Korean Buddhist Treasure from The Mary and Jackson Burke Foundation.* "Korean Buddhist Art and Its Beginnings," Jan Fon-

Kifu Mitsuhashi, Japanese shakuhachi master, performed at the Society April 17, 1991.



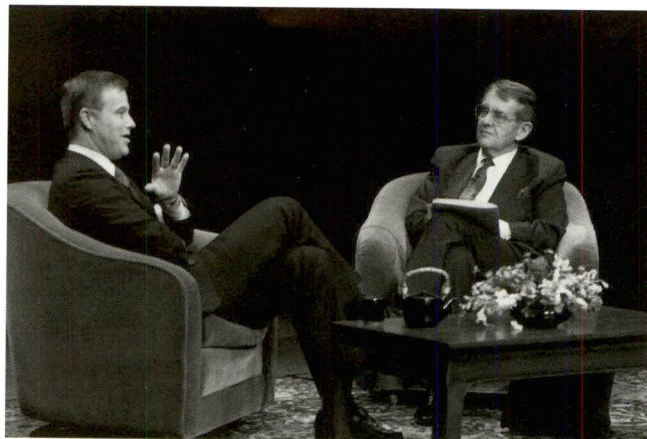
tein, April 30, 1991; "Majestic Splendor: A Korean Buddhist Painting in Its Pan Asian Context," Elizabeth ten Grotenhuis, May 28, 1991; "Korean Buddhist Paintings and Their Monastic Context," Hongnam Kim, June 26, 1991

Symposia

Trade Winds—Maritime Trade and Indonesian Culture. A one-day symposium on the development of maritime trade with China, India and the Middle East in the Indonesian archipelago. Guests speakers: Ken Hall, Helen Jessup, Paul Michael Taylor, Anita Spertus and Robert Holmgren. October 20, 1990

The Art of Chinese Calligraphy. A one-day symposium on Chinese calligraphy. Guest speakers: Wang Fang Yu, Marilyn Wong Gleysteen, Robert Mowry and Hongnam Kim. November 3, 1990

Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam interviewed Peter G. Peterson, Chairman of the Blackstone Group and the Council on Foreign Relations, at a President's Forum, December 10, 1990.



Zion Ozeri

The President's Forum

Special evenings during which Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam interviews distinguished guests on topics of Asian history, culture and contemporary affairs before a public audience.

An Evening with Jim Whitaker. October 18, 1990

An Evening with Peter Peterson. December 10, 1990

An Evening with Bharati Mukherjee. June 4, 1991

Special Events

Luncheon honoring Dr. Subin Pinkayan, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Thailand. September 27, 1990

Luncheon honoring Raul S. Manglapus, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, the Philippines. September 26, 1990

Luncheon honoring Choi Ho-Joong, Minister of Foreign Affairs, South Korea. September 24, 1990

Luncheon honoring Hus-sain Mohammed Ershad, President, Bangladesh. October 1, 1990

Dinner honoring Shri Inder Kumar Gujral, Minister of External Affairs, India. October 1, 1990

Luncheon honoring Qian Qichen, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the People's Republic of China. October 2, 1990

Luncheon honoring Nguyen Co Thach, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Vietnam. October 11, 1990

Hong Kong Center

Program Highlights

Superpower or Superpauper: The USA Beyond the Year 2000. Robert O. Keohane, Harvard University. Co-sponsored by the Harvard and Wellesley College Clubs of Hong Kong. January 1991

Chinese Economic Reforms in the '90s. Nicholas Lardy, University of Washington. March 1991

The Asia Pacific Region in a World of Change. Senator Gareth Evans, Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade. April 1991

Freedom of Expression in a Free Society. Benno C. Schmidt, Jr., President of Yale University. June 1991

Special Event

Inaugural Dinner. Opening address by Sir David Ford, Deputy to the Governor of Hong Kong. Keynote address by Robert A. Scalapino, Robson Research Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley. March 1991

Houston Center

Program Highlights

Business Council. Breakfast with Ambassador Zhu Qisheng of the People's Republic of China. September 1990

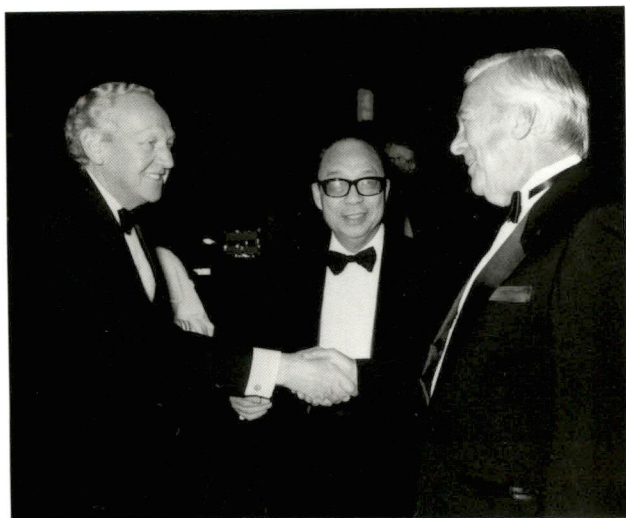
Asian Film Festival. Cosponsored by the Southwest Alternate Media Project and Museum of Fine Arts. September 1990

Music at the Consulate General. Teatime concerts featuring Chinese music students studying in the U.S. Held at the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China. September 1990

Business Council. Breakfast with Chavalit Thanachanan, Governor of the Bank of Thailand. September 1990

Festival of Indonesia Kickoff with Saman Performers from Sumatra. Cosponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia, the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, and Museum of Natural Science. September 1990

Sir David Ford, Deputy to the Governor of Hong Kong; Sir Q. W. Lee, Chairman of the Hong Kong Center; and John C. Whitehead, Chairman of The Asia Society Board of Trustees, in Hong Kong, March 1991.



Business Council. Breakfast with David Lampton, National Committee on U.S.-China Relations. October 1990

Self, State and Society. Symposium with Tu Wei-ming, Institute of Culture and Communication at the East-West Center; Lodi Gyari, Special Envoy of The Dalai Lama; and others. Cosponsored by the Rothko Chapel. October 1990

Silken Threads. Luncheon and Indian/Pakistani costume show. October 1990

Indonesian Batiks: Teacher's Workshop. Cosponsored by the Community Artists' Collective. October 1990

Music at the Consulate General. Contemporary and ancient Chinese music and instruments. Held at the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China. October 1990

Why Wild Men and Dragons Never Meet. Lecture by Sharon Chester, Society Expeditions. Cosponsored by the Museum of Natural Science. October 1990

Business Council. Luncheon and briefing by Burton Levin, former U.S. Ambassador to Myanmar (Burma). November 1990

The Fabric of Life. Lecture by Judi Achjadi, Indonesian Embassy, Washington, D.C. Cosponsored by the Museum of Natural Science. November 1990

Collector's Series: Indonesian Textiles. Members' discussion group led by Judi Achjadi. Cosponsored by TRIBES. November 1990

Against Nature. Opening reception at the Contemporary Art Museum. November 1990

Beyond the Java Sea. Opening reception at the Museum of Natural Science. November 1990

Sacred Mountains of Asia. Lecture by Edwin Bernbaum, University of California, Berkeley. November 1990

Myths and Legends of Java and Bali. Lecture by Ward Keeler, University of Texas. December 1990

Sculpture of Indonesia. Reception and private tour by Celeste Adams, Assistant Director and Curator of Oriental Art, at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. December 1990

Art and Design in the Chinese Garden. Lecture by William Wu, Coordinator of the Chinese Gardens, San Francisco. January 1991

Textiles of Indonesia. Private tour of exhibition by Steven Alpert, collector, Dallas, Texas. January 1991

Reception for the Festival of Indonesia. Cosponsored by the Galleria and the Wyndham Warwick Hotel. January 1991

Indonesian Bazaar at the Galleria. Cosponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia and the Galleria. January 1991

Contemporary Indonesian Film Festival. Cosponsored by the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, and Southwest Alternate Media Project. January 1991

China and the World Community: Perspectives for the 1990s. Luncheon and symposium. Lev Deliusin, Institute for International Economic and Political Studies, Moscow; Nicholas Lardy, The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington; Xie Xide, Fudan University, Shanghai; and Ambassador Zhang Wenpu, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Beijing. January 1991

China and the World Community: Perspectives for the 1990s. Symposium cosponsored by Rice Institute for Policy Analysis. Lev Deliusin, Nicholas Lardy, Xie Xide and Ambassador Zhang Wenpu. January 1991

Spices of Indonesia. Lecture by Thomas Miller, McCormick & Company. Cosponsored by the Museum of Natural Science. January 1991

Sunda Tigers: Conservation and Tropical Forests in Indonesia. John Seidensticker, National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C. Cosponsored by the Houston Zoological Society. January 1991

Business Council—Business Customs Series: Doing Business with Indonesia. John Holdridge, former U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia, of Harvest International, Inc., and Dr. Fred von der Mehden, Rice University. January 1991

Court Arts of Indonesia. Lecture by Helen Jessup, The Asia Society. February 1991

Business Council Breakfast: Business Prospects for China, Hong Kong and Taiwan. Asia Society President Robert B. Oxnam. February 1991

Lodi Gyaltzen Gyari, Special Envoy of The Dalai Lama, addressed a symposium in Houston, October 20, 1990.



Great Cuisines of Asia—An Indonesian Banquet. Gala Benefit. February 1991

Dance of Life. Members' evening at the IMAX Theatre, Museum of Natural Science. February 1991

Business Council Luncheon—Business Customs Series: Doing Business with Taiwan. Harry Harding, The Brookings Institution. March 1991

Business Council Symposium and Luncheon. "Protecting American Investment in Hong Kong" and "Hong Kong Present and Future." Peter Johnson, Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, San Francisco. Cosponsored by the Greater Houston Partnership—World Trade Division. March 1991

Marx, Mencius and McDonald's: Cultural Continuities in Contemporary China. Lecture by Richard Smith, Rice University. March 1991

Cultural Portraits of Indonesia. Reception and exhibition of photographs by Lindsay Heberd. April—May 1991

Of Kangaroos and Cockatoos: Conservation Issues in Australia. Miles Roberts, National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C. Wildlife Series cosponsored by the Zoological Society of Houston. April 1991

Restaurant Series. Special meals planned at some of Houston's best Asian restaurants. April—June 1991

Japan and the West: Toward a Global Community. Lecture series cosponsored by Rice University. April—May 1991

Papua New Guinea—Wildlife Conservation. Film and lecture. Margaret Taylor, Ambassador of Papua New Guinea, and Eric Dinerstein, World Wildlife Fund. April 1991

Business Council Breakfast: The Business of Conservation. Papua New Guinea Ambassador Margaret Taylor and Eric Dinerstein. April 1991

Business Council Luncheon—Business Customs Series: Doing Business with Taiwan Part II. Robert Parker, McCutchen, Doyle, Brown and Enersen, Taipei. April 1991

Business Council Breakfast—The ASEAN Countries and the World Economy: Challenge of Change. Report on conference by William Cunningham, University of St. Thomas. April 1991

East Meets West: An Exhibition of Japanese American Quilts. Reception and exhibition. April—May 1991

Love of Food, Eye for Beauty: The Japanese Art of Food Arrangement. Lecture, demonstration and dinner. Richard Wilson, Rice University. May 1991

Indonesian Costume Show and Tea. Farewell to Consul General Tengku Dahlia Soemolang of Indonesia. May 1991

Indonesian Batik: Teacher's Workshop. Cosponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia and the Community Artists' Collective. May 1991

The Lacquer Pavilion of Bangkok. Lecture by Patricia Young. May 1991

Taipei Film Festival. Festival and reception cosponsored by the Museum of Fine Arts and the CCNAA. May—June 1991

The Transparent Thread: Asian Philosophies in Recent American Art. Reception and lecture series cosponsored by the Blaffer Gallery of the University of Houston. June 1991

Business Council. Breakfast with Ji Chaozhu, Under-Secretary General, Department of Technical Cooperation for Development, United Nations. Hosted by ENRON Corporation. June 1991

Southern California Center

Program Highlights

Corporate Briefing: The Gulf Crisis and Global Oil Market. Mikkal E. Herberg, Director, International Evaluation, ARCO. August 22, 1990

Through Children's Eyes. A photographic essay by children from Los Angeles and Indonesia. Cosponsored by the Indonesian Tourist Promotion Office for North America. September 10, 1990

Corporate Luncheon: The United States and Asia: Challenges and Opportunities in the 1990s. Richard J. Stegemeier, Chairman, CEO and President, UNOCAL Corp. September 27, 1990

Discover Asia: Discover Asian Cuisines. Barbara Hansen, Los Angeles Times. October 4, 1990

Breakfast Dialogue. Susumu Awanoara, Far East Economic Review. October 11, 1990

Business and Investment Update on China. Cosponsored by the City of Los Angeles, Mount St. Mary's College and the Consulate of the People's Republic of China. October 29, 1990

Fashions of Indonesia: A Walk through History. Judi Achjadi, coordinator. Cosponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia. November 10, 1990

Janur: Festive Floral Arrangements of Indonesia. Cosponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia. November 8, 1990

Korean Unification. Dr. Hong Koo Lee, Special Assistant to the President for Political Affairs, Korea. Hosted by Coopers & Lybrand at ARCO. November 20, 1990

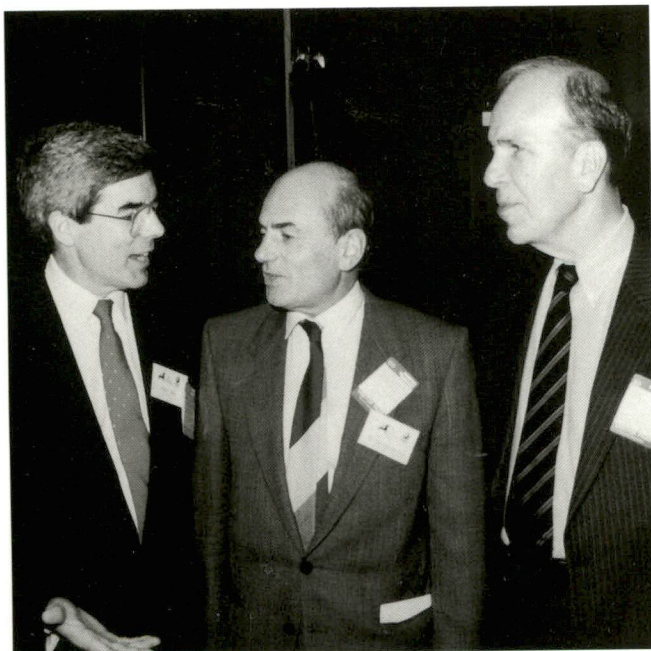
A Dialogue with the Playwright: Asian American Theatre. Philip Kan Gotanda, author of *The Wash*. Cosponsored by the Asian Pacific American Friends of the Center Theater Group. January 9, 1991

China in Asia: Implications for U.S. Policy. John Hawkins, UCLA; K. A. Namkung, The Asia Society; David Arase, Pomona College; Dao Huy Ngoc, Institute of International Relations, Vietnam; Douglas Pike, University of California, Berkeley; Fredrick Z. Brown, George Mason University; Tomozo Morino, Japanese External Trade Organization, Japan; William H. Overholt, Bankers Trust Securities Pacific, Ltd., Hong Kong; Richard D. Baum, UCLA; Kim Hakjooon, Chief Assis-

tant to the President for Policy Research, Republic of Korea; Kim Byong Hong and Chong Yong Gap, Institute for Disarmament and Peace, Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Jonathan Pollack, The RAND Corporation. Co-sponsors: UCLA Center for Pacific Rim Studies, UCLA Center for International Business Education and Research. January 22, 1991

Prospects for Liberalization, Political Change and Human Rights in Burma (Myanmar). Phillip Trimble, UCLA School of Law; Robert L. Brown, UCLA; Bertil Litterer, *Far Eastern Economic Review*; Josef Silverstein, Rutgers University; David L. Steinberg, Georgetown University; Congressman

At the AT&T Pacific Technopolis held at Hughes Aircraft Company headquarters, Los Angeles, November 1990 (left to right): Jerry Arca, Vice President, AT&T, and a member of the Southern California Advisory Board; Ambassador John Kelso of Australia; and Richard E. Sherwood, Chairman, Advisory Committee of The Asia Society's Southern California Center.



Dana Rohrabacher; John Hawkins, Director, UCLA International Students and Overseas Programs, which cosponsored with The Burma Forum. February 23, 1991

Iron & Silk: A screening of the film with author Mark Salzman. February 27, 1991

Breakfast Dialogue: The Gulf War and Long Term Implications for the Region. Graham E. Fuller, The RAND Corporation. Hosted by The Capital Group, Inc. March 6, 1991

Luncheon. Richard Solomon, Assistant U.S. Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. Hosted by Jack C. Liu, Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton. April 5, 1991

Beyond the EC 1992: Implications for the Pacific Rim. Panel discussion and evening reception. Ambassador Yoshio Okawara, Executive Advisor to the Keidanren; Motoo Shiina, Chairman, Policy Study Group; Norman Shumway, former U.S. Congressman; Jahangir Amuzegar, former Executive Director, International Monetary Fund. Cosponsored by the Japan

America Society and hosted by The Times Mirror Co. April 5, 1991

Breakfast Dialogue: Reflections on Sino-U.S. Relations. Ambassador Ma Yuzhen, Consul General of the People's Republic of China. Hosted by Terrance L. Carlson, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. April 11, 1991

Japanese Corporate Philanthropy. Panel discussion and reception. Nancy London, author; Gerald Yoshitomi, Executive Director, JACCC; Masayuki Kohama, Hitachi, Ltd. Co-sponsors: The Southern California Association for Philanthropy, The United Way. Hosted by ARCO. April 29, 1991

Roundtable Discussion Luncheon: Profiles in Leadership. Michael Woo, L.A. City Councilman; Linda Wong, Executive Director, Achievement Council; William Ouchi, UCLA; Ki Suh Park, Gruen Associates; and Bharati Mukherjee, author. Moderated by Marshall M. Bouton, The Asia Society. May 9, 1991

Corporate Luncheon—Pacific Opportunities: Financing Change in East Asia and North America. David K. P. Li, Director and Chief Executive, The Bank of East Asia, Ltd. June 12, 1991

Breakfast Dialogue: U.S.—Japan Security Issues. Richard Halloran, East-West Center. Co-sponsor: East-West Center Association. June 18, 1991

Asian Update Series

Japan and the Environment. Yuta Harago, World Wide Fund International. July 25, 1990

Myanmar: Prospects for Change. Burton Levin, former U.S. Ambassador to Myanmar (Burma). October 19, 1990

Hong Kong Report. Peter Eric Johnson, Director,

Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, San Francisco. October 23, 1990

Update Breakfast: Prospects for U.S.—Vietnam Economic Relations. Teresa Watanabe, *The Los Angeles Times*; Gary Larsen, International Citibank. Moderated by Steve Graw, U.S. Vietnam Friendship and Aid Association. April 23, 1991

Update Breakfast—Developments in Taiwan: Relationships with the Mainland and Implications for Hong Kong. Natale H. Bellocchi, Chairman and Managing Director, American Institute in Taiwan, Washington. Co-sponsor: California Taiwan Trade & Investment Council. June 21, 1991

AT&T Pacific Technopolis Series

Maximizing Human Potential in the Multicultural Workforce. Moderated by Val Zavala, KCET. Speakers: Wellford Wilms, UCLA; Herbert Carter, The California State University; Masayuki Kohama, Hitachi, Ltd.; Helen Bauer, AT&T Bell Laboratories. Moderated by Steven D. Lavine, President, California Institute of the Arts. Speakers: William C. W. Mow, Chairman and CEO, Bugle Boy Industries; Peter Sellars, Director, Los Angeles Festival. Questioners: Waldo H. Burnside, Carter Hawley Hale Stores, Inc.; Dennis A. Collins, The James Irvine Foundation; Stewart C. Kwoh, The Asian Pacific American Legal Center. September 13, 1990

Investment in Human Capital and the Challenges of Global Trade. Richard L. Drobnick, Director, IBEAR, USC; Nancy Y. Bekavac, President, Scripps College; Richard N. Rosecrance, UCLA; David M. Arase, Pomona College; Victor A. Pelson, Group Executive, AT&T; David W. Lyon, The RAND Corporation; Stephen E. Kulczycki,

KCET; K. W. Lee, Editor, *The Korea Times*; Sergio Muñoz, Editor, *La Opinion*; Yoshiro Sano, *U.S. Japan Business News*; John Barth, *Marketplace*. Cosponsored by AT&T. Hosted by the Hughes Aircraft Company headquarters. November 1, 1990

Pacific Communities in Cross-Cultural Dialogue: The Challenges of Conflict Resolution. Val Zavala, KCET; Greyson Bryan, O'Melveny & Myers; Richard L. Drobnick, IBEAR, USC; John Rehfeld, Seiko Instruments USA, Inc.; George F. Tauber, AT&T International; Judith W. Luther, American Woman's Economic Development Corporation; Linda Wong, The Achievement Council; Stewart C. Kwoh, The Asian Pacific American Legal Center; Frank del Olmo, *Los Angeles Times*; John Barth, *Marketplace*; Sergio Muñoz, *La Opinion*; Jay Mathews, *The Washington Post*. May 31, 1991

Discover Asia: Traditional Arts of Taiwan

Lectures cosponsored by the Coordinating Council for North American Affairs (CCNAA) at The Broadway.

Chinese Opera. Yen Lu Wong, Director, Intercultural Communications Associates, and Nancy Yuan, President, Chinese Opera Club of Los Angeles. January 15, 1991

Chinese Music Through the Ages. Cynthia Hsiang, UCLA. January 22, 1991

Chinese Brush Painting. Jane Ma Leung. January 29, 1991

The Palace Museum Collection. George Kuwayama, Los Angeles County Museum of Arts. February 5, 1991

Chinese Folk Arts. Edith Wyle, Founder/Director Emeritus, Craft and Folk Art Museum of Los Angeles. February 12, 1991

Washington Center

Contemporary Affairs Programs

Pakistan Update. Robert Oakley, U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan. September 11, 1990

China's Reform: Present and Future. Zhu Qizhen, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China. September 18, 1990

Recent Developments on the Korean Peninsula. Lee Hongkoo, Special Assistant for Political Affairs to the President of the Republic of Korea. November 7, 1990

Journalists' Report: From the Toshiba Incident to the Persian Gulf—Three Years in Tokyo and Seoul. Margaret Shapiro and Fred Hiatt, *The Washington Post* Co-Bureau Chiefs for Northeast Asia. November 29, 1990

U.S.—Korea Economic Relations in the Post-Uruguay Round. Cho Soon, former Deputy Prime Minister, Republic of Korea. December 17, 1991

Nepal Update. Julia Chang Bloch, U.S. Ambassador to Nepal. January 9, 1991

Political Instability in India and the Consequences for the South Asia Region. James Clad, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. January 29, 1991

Tunku Abdul Rahman Memorial Lecture. "Malaysia: Reflections on Nation-Building." Dato' Musa Hitam, Malaysia's Special Envoy to the United Nations. February 12, 1991

Cambodia: Prospects for Peace. Nayan Chanda, Editor, *The Asian Wall Street Journal Weekly*, and Frederick Z. Brown, George Mason University. February 28, 1991

Pakistan, the United States and the Gulf War. Najmuddin Shaikh, Ambassador of Pakistan. April 4, 1991

Address on U.S.—Korean Relations. Lee Sang Ock, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea. May 1, 1991

China: Backward or Forward? Martin Whyte, University of Michigan; Merle Goldman, Boston University; and Michael Hunt, University of North Carolina. June 12, 1991

Singapore: 25 Years of Nation-Building. S. R. Nathan, Ambassador of Singapore. June 13, 1991

China and the United States: Reflections on the Past Two Years. James Lilley, U.S. Ambassador to the People's Republic of China. June 27, 1991

Philip C. Jessup, Jr., Chairman of the Washington Center Advisory Committee, and Zhu Qizhen, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China, at a program where the ambassador was guest speaker, September 18, 1990.

Meet the Author Series

The Future of Burma: Crisis and Choice in Myanmar. David Steinberg, author, and Burton Levin, former U.S. Ambassador to Myanmar (Burma). October 23, 1990

A Traveler's Guide to Vietnam! Frederic M. Kaplan, guidebook editor. April 8, 1991

An Evening with Writer Shashi Tharoor: Author of "The Great Indian Novel." April 19, 1991

Indonesia: Crisis and Transformation 1965–1968. Marshall Green, author, U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia 1965–69, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs 1969–73. June 6, 1991

Washington Corporate Series

Ambassadors' Briefings: Korea. Donald P. Gregg, U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea. July 26, 1990

Ambassadors' Briefings: Indonesia. John Monjo, U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia. September 17, 1990

A Briefing on Indonesia. J. B. Sumarlin, Minister of Finance, Republic of Indonesia. Cosponsored by the American Indonesian Chamber of Commerce. September 24, 1990

Corporate Members Luncheon. At the residence of Ding Mou Shih, Representative, Coordination Council for North American Affairs, Republic of China. October 11, 1990

Assessing Japan's New Economic Role in Asia. Richard Cronin, Congressional Research Service, and Richard W. Lisle, AT&T. December 12, 1991

U.S.—Asia Trade Relations in Light of the Uruguay Round. Sandy Kristoff, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Asia and the Pacific. January 23, 1991



Corporate Members Luncheon. Abid Hussain, Ambassador of India. March 7, 1991

Commercial Relations with China: An Update. Roger Sullivan, President, U.S.-China Business Council. March 20, 1991

Hong Kong's Economic Future. Paul Cheng, Member, Legislative Council, Hong Kong, and Executive Director, Inchcape Pacific Ltd. May 21, 1991

Commercial Relations with Taiwan: An Update. Thomas S. Brooks, Director, American Institute in Taiwan. May 30, 1991

Ambassadors' Briefings: Singapore. Robert Orr, U.S. Ambassador to Singapore. June 21, 1991

Asian Development Roundtable Series

Cosponsored by the Society for International Development

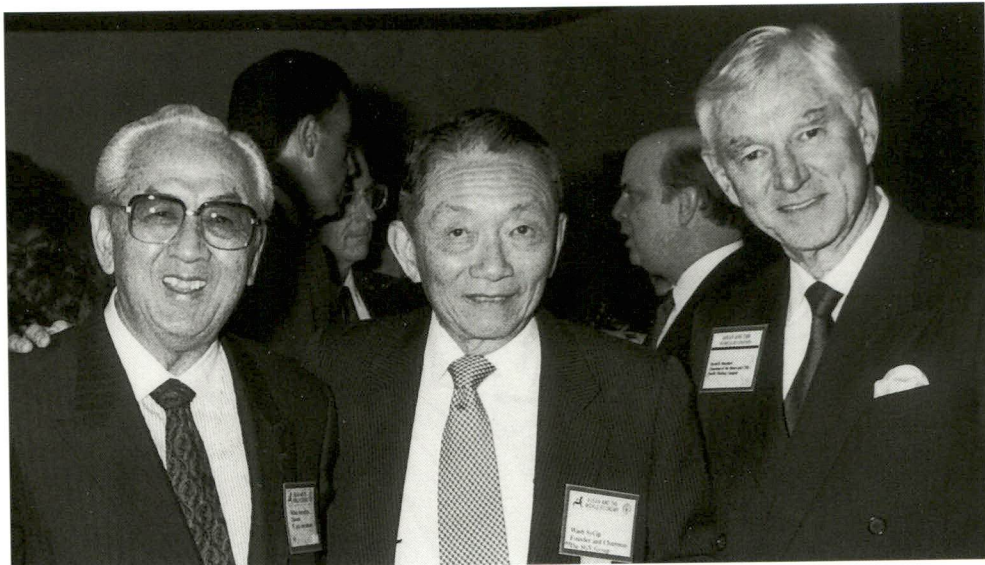
The Persian Gulf Crisis and Its Economic Impact on the Developing Nations of Asia. Tariq Fatemi, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Pakistan, and Attila Karaosmanoglu, Vice President, Asia Region, World Bank. October 19, 1990

Changes in How We View Development in Asia. John W. Mellor, Director, International Food Policy Research Institute. November 20, 1990

Conservation and Development: Saving Bhutan's Environment. Bruce Bunting, Vice President for Asia, World Wildlife Fund. December 14, 1990

Has Foreign Aid Outlived Its Time? John Sewell, President, Overseas Development Council. January 15, 1991

Assessing Economic Reform in Vietnam. Danny M. Leipziger, Asia Department II, World Bank. February 20, 1991



The Great Ascent: The Rural Poor in South Asia. Inderjit Singh, Socialist Economic Reform Unit, Country Economics Department, World Bank. March 27, 1991

The Plight of Women and Children in Cambodia and Laos. Catherine O'Neill, Chairwoman, The Women's Commission on Refugee Women and Children. April 18, 1991

Reorganization at the Agency for International Development and the New University Center. Ralph Smuckler, Executive Director, Agency Center for University Cooperation in Development. June 28, 1991

The Collector's Series
Vietnamese Ceramics: Old Problems, New Discoveries. John Guy, Victoria and Albert Museum, London. September 13, 1990

The Romance of the Taj Mahal: A Tour to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond. Cosponsored by the Asian-American Forum. November 3, 1990

Divine and Courtly Love in Indian Painting. Vishakha Desai, Director, The Asia Society Galleries. February 14, 1991

Arts at the Embassies Series

Discover the Cuisine of South India! Julie Sahni, food journalist and author. At the Embassy of India. October 9, 1990

Cool Shores of Home, Warm Winds of Destiny: 350 Years of Dutch Architecture in Indonesia. Helen Jessup, The Asia Society. At the Embassy of the Netherlands. April 25, 1991

Asian Adventure Series

A Photographic Journey: The Remote Minority Areas of China. Keren Su, photographer. September 5, 1990

My Father, My Country. Film screening with Margaret Taylor, Ambassador of Papua New Guinea. October 30, 1990

Sacred Sites: Mosques and Temples of Indonesia. Hugh O'Neill, University of Melbourne. November 15, 1990

New Zealand on Foot. Denis McLean, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, former New Zealand Secretary of Defense. December 6, 1990

An Armchair Tour of Old Singapore. Margaret Sullivan. June 25, 1991

Special Events

Projected Radiance: The Cinema of Indonesia. A nine-part

Three Trustees of The Asia Society at the March 1991 ASEAN conference in Bali

(left to right): William Soeryadjaya, Chairman, PT Astra International; Washington SyCip, Founder and Chairman, SGV Group; and David Murdock, Chairman and CEO, Dole Food Company, Inc.

film series on Indonesian film since independence. Cosponsored by the National Gallery of Art. September 16-30, 1990

Indonesian Embassy Reception and Exhibition of Janur, Festive Floral Art. At the Embassy of Indonesia. A members-only event. Cosponsored by the Indonesian-American Society. October 25, 1990

"Beyond the Java Sea" with Curator Paul Taylor. An Asia Society evening at the National Museum of Natural History. May 7, 1991

Court Arts of Indonesia. Reception and viewing at the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery. Friends' Event. May 22, 1991

A Tribute to Choo San Goh. Film honoring the Singapore-born choreographer. June 20, 1991

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1991 and 1990

	1991	1990
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and temporary investments	\$ 1,278,761	807,096
Pledges and grants receivable—current	1,163,303	1,046,005
Accounts and accrued interest receivable	468,388	345,242
Inventory and other assets	262,812	275,538
Total current assets	<u>3,173,264</u>	<u>2,473,881</u>
Pledges and grants receivable-noncurrent	658,334	650,000
Investments in marketable securities	13,178,289	13,796,396
Land, building and equipment	17,440,233	17,792,777
Total assets	<u>\$34,450,120</u>	<u>34,713,054</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 820,961	612,170
Deferred restricted revenue	1,140,468	1,452,865
Amounts designated for use in subsequent years—current	418,279	332,500
Total current liabilities	<u>2,379,708</u>	<u>2,397,535</u>
Amounts designated for use in subsequent years—noncurrent	640,000	590,000
Total liabilities	<u>3,019,708</u>	<u>2,987,535</u>
Fund balances:		
Unrestricted—Board designated	28,989	13,242
Endowment	13,402,884	13,223,683
Plant funds:		
Unexpended	561,834	710,910
Expended	17,436,705	17,777,684
Total fund balances	<u>31,430,412</u>	<u>31,725,519</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$34,450,120</u>	<u>34,713,054</u>

Statement of Current Funds Activity
Years ended June 30, 1991 and 1990

	1991	1990
Revenue:		
Contributions and grants	\$ 4,445,046	3,387,009
Membership	909,776	1,097,602
Special events, net of direct costs of \$138,544 in 1991 and \$204,735 in 1990	590,346	822,733
Contributed services	260,057	235,504
Grants from government agencies	428,800	318,898
Program service fees	1,944,445	1,849,076
Endowment and other investment income	819,406	817,158
Miscellaneous	569,496	495,070
Total revenue	<u>9,967,372</u>	<u>9,023,050</u>
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Galleries	1,861,871	1,825,982
Performances, films and lectures	804,477	1,010,345
Education and contemporary affairs	1,336,301	1,234,389
Regional centers	657,111	514,268
Asian activities	884,455	368,080
Membership services	536,254	489,328
Auxiliary services	1,243,519	1,176,321
Total program services	<u>7,323,988</u>	<u>6,618,713</u>
Supporting services:		
Management and general Development	1,776,970	1,626,222
	850,667	766,888
Total supporting services	<u>2,627,637</u>	<u>2,393,110</u>
Total expenses	<u>9,951,625</u>	<u>9,011,823</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses	<u>\$ 15,747</u>	<u>11,227</u>

Statement of Changes In Fund Balances Years ended June 30, 1991 and 1990

	Current funds	Endowment funds	Unexpended plant funds	Expended plant funds
Fund balance—June 30, 1989	\$ 2,015	12,845,159	785,689	18,196,973
Excess of revenue over expenses	11,227	—	—	—
Contributions	—	110,000	—	—
Net investment income	—	—	103,313	—
Net realized investment gains	—	268,524	20,973	—
Depreciation	—	—	—	(611,866)
Acquisition of fixed assets	—	—	(131,515)	131,515
Principal payments on capital lease	—	—	(61,062)	61,062
Interest payments on capital lease	—	—	(6,488)	—
Fund balance—June 30, 1990	<u>13,242</u>	<u>13,223,683</u>	<u>710,910</u>	<u>17,777,684</u>
Excess of expenses over revenue	15,747	—	—	—
Contributions	—	10,000	—	—
Net investment income	—	—	98,403	—
Net realized investment gains	—	169,201	6,883	—
Depreciation	—	—	—	(594,078)
Acquisition of fixed assets	—	—	(241,534)	241,534
Principal payments on capital lease	—	—	(11,565)	11,565
Interest payments on capital lease	—	—	(1,263)	—
Fund balance—June 30, 1991	<u>28,989</u>	<u>13,402,884</u>	<u>561,834</u>	<u>17,436,705</u>

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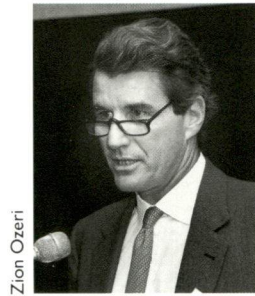
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Trustee Harold J. Newman and his wife, Ruth, with Galleries Director Vishakha Desai (right).

At the opening party for *Romance of the Taj Mahal*: Trustee Gita Mehta and her husband, Sonny Mehta, (left center and left) with President's Council member Robert F. Goheen and his wife, Margaret.



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Chairman of the Society Board of Trustees John C. Whitehead, Prime Minister Goh of Singapore and Society President Robert B. Oxnam in Bali, March 1991.

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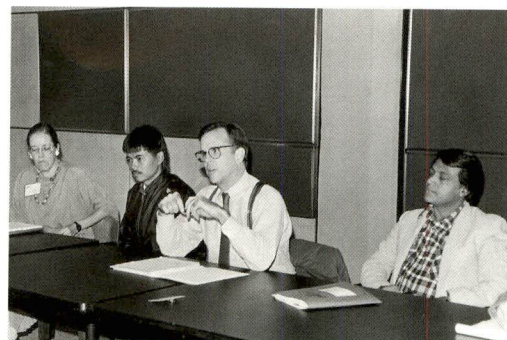
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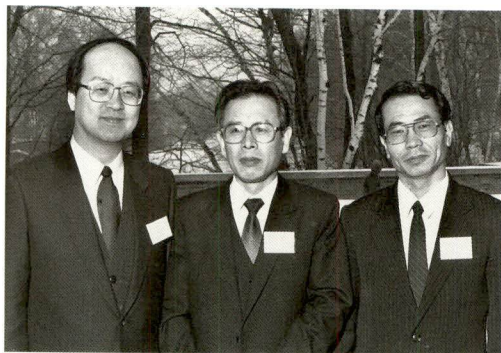
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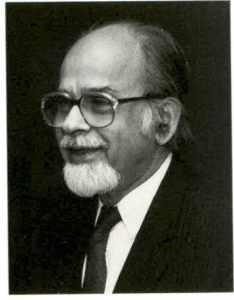
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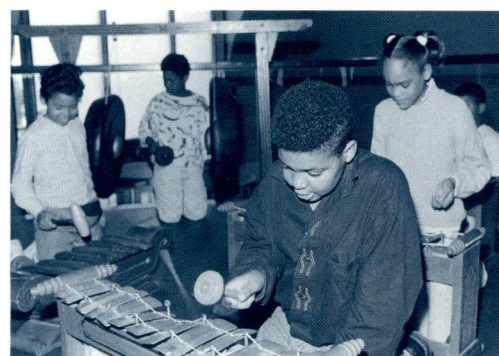
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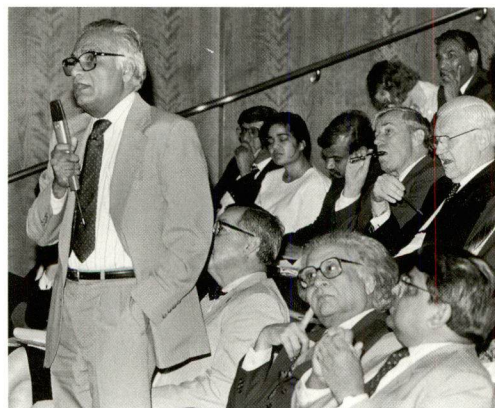
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