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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Born February 20, 1948, Parkersburg, West Virginia; raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota
U.S. citizen
Married to Nancy Coble Damon
Children: Katherine Marie Siladayt Damon (8/8/75); David Robert Dibolet Damon (6/11/83)

Community Service

Soccer coach, 1981-91
Vice President for Administration and Referee scheduler for Soccer Organization of
Charlottesville and Albemarle (S.O.C.A) 1988-90

EDUCATION

Princeton University (Ph.D) Anthropology, 1970-1978
State University of New York, Buffalo, Summer Institute of Linguistics, 1971
Duke University (B.A.) Psychology, 1966-1970
Richfield, Minnesota, public schools

LANGUAGES

Muyuw (Austronesian), competent
French (3 years college French)
Spanish (2 years high school)
Chinese (One semester and working)

TEACHING, RESEARCH & EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales, Directeur d'étude associé, 1991, 2004
Writer-in-Residence, The Writing Center, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan
23/2-19/3/04
Scholar in Residence, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, 26/1-22/2/04.

University of Virginia, Professor, 1992-
University of Virginia, Associate Professor, 1983-1992
University of Virginia, Assistant Professor, 1978-1983
University of Virginia, Lecturer, 1976-1978
Bloomfield College, Instructor, 1973
Princeton University, Assistant Instructor, 1971-73
Duke University, Assistant Instructor, 1970

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2014 Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Research support, \$2098 for consultations at ANU and Manuscript preparation for returning to PNG
Research Grant from Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, University of Virginia, 2012.
American Philosophical Society Franklin Research Grant 2009.
NSF Conference Grant for "Ecology and Time Systems in Australasia and the Americas: New approaches to value systems and calendrical transformations across the Pacific Rim"
The Ellen Bayard Weedon East Asia Travel Grant 2008
University of Virginia Summer Grant 2002
Visiting Fellowship, Department of Anthropology, Division of Society and Environment, Research School in Pacific and Asian Studies, the Australian National University 1999
Travel and Accommodation Fellowship from Fourth Senior National Seminar on Sociology and Anthropology, "Ethnicity: Sociological Approach and Cross-cultural Understanding," in Kunming, Yunnan Province, Peoples Republic of China, 1999.
The Ellen Bayard Weedon East Asia Travel Grant 1999
Ford Foundation "Crossing Borders" grant, (Convener of Committee) 1997-98
Travel Grant to Patna, India, the Asian Development Research Institute, Patna, and the European Science Foundation.
University of Virginia Dean Grant, 1995-1996
Visiting Fellowship, Anthropology Department, Australian National University, June-July, 1991
The Ellen Bayard Weedon East Asia Travel Grant, 1991
University of Virginia Summer Grant, 1982, 1991, 2001
Esperanza Trust Foundation for Anthropological Research Grant, 1981, for "1981 International Conference on the Kula: History and Internal Exchange"
Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, 1981 for "1981 International Conference on the Kula: History and Internal Exchange"
National Science Foundation Conference Grant, 1981-1982 for "1981 International Conference on the Kula: History and Internal Exchange"
NIMH Fellowship, 1975-1976
National Science Foundation Dissertation Research Grant, 1973-75
Princeton University Fellowship, 1970-73

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Muyuw, Papua New Guinea: July-early August, 2014
Quanzhou, Fujian Province, PRC, 1/13-8/13 (mostly language acquisition)
Muyuw, Papua New Guinea: July-mid-August, 2012

Initial forays to Taiwan and China: 1991, 2004, 2007, 2008 (2 months).
 Muyuw, Papua New Guinea, 6/14-8/13/09
 Muyuw, Papua New Guinea, 12/19/06-1/4/07
 Papua New Guinea. June-July 2005.
 Eastern Kula Ring, Papua New Guinea June-August 2002
 Muyuw Island, Papua New Guinea, July-August, 1999
 Muyuw Island, Papua New Guinea, June-July, 1998
 Kiriwina, Iwa, Gawa & Muyuw Islands, Papua New Guinea, January-July, 1996
 Kiriwina, Iwa, Gawa & Muyuw Islands, Papua New Guinea, July-August 1995
 Muyuw (Woodlark Island), Papua New Guinea, July-August, 1991
 Muyuw (Woodlark Island), Papua New Guinea, June-August, 1982
 Muyuw (Woodlark Island), Papua New Guinea, July, 1973-August, 1975
 "Project Nicaragua" (Duke University sponsored summer program in Nicaragua: 1967, 1968, 1969:
 (Although this program was not designed to be anthropological research, I conducted anthropological
 research during my final summer in 1969.).

DISSERTATION

Modes of Production and the Circulation of Value on the Other Side of the Kula Ring, Muyuw Woodlark Island. 1978. Princeton University.

ASSOCIATIONS

American Anthropological Association
 Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland
 CREDO (Centre de Recherche et de Documentation sur l'Océanie), Associate Member
 Association of Social Anthropology of Oceania
 ESfO

EDITORIAL BOARD PARTICIPATION

The Asia Pacific Journal Of Anthropology

CONFERENCES ATTENDED AND DELIVERED PAPERS & LECTURES (Exclusive of University of Virginia

Presentations)

- 1978a "Muyuw Megaliths and Muyuw Culture." Gettysburg College, Pa.
 1978b "What Moves the Kula: Opening and Closing Gifts on Woodlark Island" Conference on the Kula,' Kings College, Cambridge University:
 1978c "Producing Society: Perspectives on Melanesian Sociology," at American Anthropological Association meetings: Presented "Production, Accumulation, and Overproduction on Woodlark Island."
 1981a Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research Conference: "Motivation and Strategy in the Exchange of Small, Stateless Societies". New York, N. Y.
 1981b "Kitoums and Capital(Volume I): An Ethnographic Fact and its Relation to Some Current Issues in Social Theory. Anthropology Department, University of Chicago.
 1981c "Second Conference on the Kula: History and Internal Exchange" Convener: University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va. Presented: (1) "The Transformation of Muyuw into Woodlark: The Problem of the 19th Century in the Kula Ring." (2) "(Notes) Towards a Comparison of Trobriand and Muyuw Mortuary Rites: Winelawoulo : Lo'un :: Trobriands : Muyuw?"
 1982a "Work and the Metamorphosis of Labour in Muyuw Kinship." Paper presented to Departments of Anthropology at London School of Economics and Political Science, U.K., and University of

- Copenhagen, Denmark; and Société des Océanistes, Musée de L'Homme, Paris.
- 1982b "The Transformation of Muiuw into Woodlark; Or, What is Tradition? Presented to Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Papua New Guinea, PNG.
- 1983c First International Conference on Ethnoastronomy: Indigenous Astronomical and Cosmological Traditions of the World, Washington, D.C. Presented: "Reflections on Muiuw Spatial and Temporal Notions."
- 1983d "Muiuw Sorcery: What Might we Learn from the European Historians?" Presented to Departments of Anthropology, University of Chicago, & Northern Illinois University.
- 1990(1) "The Dialectics of Creation: An Anthropological View from the Western Pacific." (2) "Social Structure and Mythology: Placing the Structural Analysis of Myth" for NEH Institute, SONGS OF THE MUSES: Approaches to Classical Mythology, University of Maryland.
- 1991a Conference Paper: "THINKING ABOUT REGIONAL SYSTEMS MODELS: From the Kula Ring for conference, "NOT IN ISOLATION: REGIONAL STUDIES IN MELANESIAN ANTHROPOLOGY." Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL.
- 1991b "THE 'MATERIAL' AND THE 'SPIRITUAL' IN THE GIFT: Models of Exchange from the Kula, India, and 19th Century United States Culture." Lecture for the Academia Sinica, Institute of Ethnology, Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan, June 10. Department of Anthropology, RSPS, Australian National University, July 3. Variant of this paper delivered at the École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales,
- 1991c "RUNNING AMOK IN MUYUW: The Organization of Consciousness in a Regional Setting." Lecture for Institute of Sociology and Anthropology, National Tsing Hua University, Hsin-Chu, Taiwan, Department of Anthropology, RSPS, Australian National University, Department of Anthropology, Sydney University. École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales.
- 1991d "THINKING ABOUT REGIONAL SYSTEMS MODELS: From the Kula Ring. Lecture delivered at Institute for Ethnology, Yunnan Nationalities Institute, Kunming, Peoples Republic of China, Variant of this paper entitled "REGIONAL SYSTEMS AND ANALYTICAL MODELS: Reflections on the Kula, Language, and Society" delivered at the École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales,
- 1991e "(Notes On The) REPRESENTATION AND EXPERIENCE IN WESTERN AND KULA EXCHANGE SPHERES, OR BILLY" for "Paul Bohannon's Exchange Spheres 30 Years Later," American Anthropological Association Session, November, Chicago Illinois.
- 1991f "SUBCLANS, KITOUMS AND ENCOMPASSED CONTRARIES: Classificatory Devices or Generative Principles? École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales,
- 1991g "WHAT GOOD ARE ELECTIONS? An Anthropological Analysis of American Elections." École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales.
- 1992 "ON THE ORDER OF CHAOS: Non-Linear Analogical Thought and Practice," American Anthropological Association Session; co-organizer; paper presented entitled "The Differentiation of Difference: Double Transformations Across Massim Societies."
- 1996 "WHAT GOOD ARE ELECTIONS? An Anthropological Analysis of American Elections." Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Papua New Guinea
- 1997a,b APATCHY KNOWLEDGE: Forging some ties between symbolic anthropology and environmental sciences.@ Delivered in several versions to Departments of Anthropology and Sociology at Longwood College and the University of Alabama at Birmingham
- 1997c AA STRANGER=S VIEW OF BIHAR: MORE THAN A POETRY OF PROPERTIES: *Rethinking*

- religion and production.* @ For the Conference, Bihar in the World and the World in Bihar. 12/15-21, 1997. Patna, Bihar.
- 1998a A The Kula (1973-1996), Exchange Theory and Vertical Integration among Northern Kula Ring Island Cultures, @ For the Departamento De Ciencias Sociales, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru
- 1998bcd A WHAT GOOD ARE ELECTIONS? An Anthropological Analysis of American Elections." For the Departamento De Ciencias Sociales, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru, Lima Peru and to American Studies Program, National University of Singapore
- 1998ef "CALOPHYLLUM *sp.* Notes on the Traditional (*medicinal and boat construction*) and Contemporary (*Logging--and medicinal*) use of tree species in the genus Calophyllum from the Pacific to South Asia and Beyond." Written first for 1998 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE, ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN STUDIES, January; rewritten for Panel 5, >Forest History of Melanesia, = Solomon Islands College of Advanced Education and 12th Pacific History Association Conference, Solomon Islands College of Higher Education, Siche, Kukum Campus, Honiara, Solomon Islands June 22nd to 26th 1998
- 1998 GARDENS, TREES AND BOATS: How the properties of trees are used to make productive and regional relations in the Kula Ring of Papua New Guinea." Presented to Southeast Asian Studies Program, National University of Singapore and Institute of Anthropology, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan
- 1999a "FROM REGIONAL RELATIONS TO ETHNIC GROUPS? *The transformation of value relations to property claims in the Kula Ring of Papua New Guinea*". For Fourth Senior National Seminar on Sociology and Anthropology, in Kunming, Yunnan Province, Peoples Republic of China.
- 1999b "CURRENTS AND LAPITA EDDIES: Locating Northern Massim Landscapes from Archaeological and Ethnobotanical Research" with Dr Simon H Bickler, Pacific Science Congress, Sydney Australia.
- 1999c A ADVENTURES DOING ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH IN THE KULA RING: Seeing Muyuw Trees, Forests And Gardens @ for the Resource Management in Asia Pacific, Department of Human Geography, Division of Society and Environment, Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, Australian National University.
- 1999d "NORTHERN MASSIM CALENDRICS ONCE MORE: Gell's Model, New Facts, and Complexity versus History for Considering Social Order." For Anthropology Seminar, Department of Anthropology, Division of Society and Environment Research School of Pacific & Asian Studies, & Department of Archaeology & Anthropology, Faculty of Arts, Australian National University
- 1999e "Ethnobotany in the Northern Kula Ring, Milne Bay Province," lecture to the Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Papua New Guinea.
- 2000a "On the Abstraction of Motive and Reduction of Complexity. Themes in the History of the Church, 1847-1999, on Muyuw, Woodlark Island, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea" in the Conference Christianisation of Oceanian societies - II , École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales (EHESS), Paris , France
- 2000b A NOTES ON BOATS FOR THE EASTERN HALF OF THE KULA RING: The Ethnobotany of Their Construction and Regional Relations. And Reflections on the Modes of Thought That Characterize Their Forms and Handling. (With Slides) @ University of Kent and ERASME, EHESS, Paris, France; Center of research and documentation on Oceania, Marseille, France.

- 2000c AMEDIATING RELATIONSB Calendars and Trees as Means of Organizing the Reciprocity of Difference in the Kula Ring@ EHESS, Paris, France.
- 2000d “REFLECTIONS ON ‘SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT’ - Traditional Production Patterns in the Indo-Pacific Region, and Capitalism” paper presented for the panel “Economic globalization/unification, regional development pattern, and sustainable development,” at The Sixth national symposium of the Chinese Anthropology Society, Xiamen, China, 18-22 July, 2000
- 2001 1) "Experiments in the Biochemistry of Kula Ring and Muyuw Ethnobotany" UVa Department of Environmental Sciences Undergraduate Seminar. March
 2) “ON THE IDEA OF BOATS: FOR THE EASTERN HALF OF THE KULA RING A Discussion of The Ethnobotany of Their Construction and Regional Relations; And Reflections on Indigenous Modeling Procedures” Presented to Departments of Anthropology of Oceanic scholars at San Sebastian and Madrid, Spain, and the Department of Anthropology, University of Cambridge.
 3) “What Good Are Elections,” for UVa’s Engaging the Mind series at two locations in Virginia Beach, Va.
 4) A version of my boat paper/presentation to the UVa alumni group in Hong Kong.
- 2002 “ON THE IDEA OF BOATS Their Ethnobotany, Implications for Regional Relations and Reflections on Indigenous Modeling Procedures in the Eastern half of the Kula Ring” (With Slides) This lecture, given in new guises over the past several years, was produced again at the University of Auckland in New Zealand, at the Australian National University in the RSPAS Resource Management in the Asia Pacific, and at the University of Papua New Guinea
- 2003 “TO GODS ↔ GIFTS TO MEN: Northern Massim Megaliths in the Context of Pacific History and Sociality,” Dr. Simon Bickler, a UVa. Archaeology Ph.D is the co-author. This paper was presented to World Archaeological Congress (5) in Washington DC in June.
- 2004 Lectures in Taiwan:
- a. February 9, 2004: “REFLECTIONS ON THE END OF THE AUSTRONESIAN EXPANSION” To the Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica.
 - b. February 20, 2004 (93?) “MELANESIAN PATCHY LANDSCAPES A Developed Pattern of the Indo-Pacific World?” A lecture and ppt presentation for and at the Taiwan Forestry Research Institute, Taipei, Taiwan.
 - c. March 4 2004: “TREES, MEADOWS, AND THE 1997-98 *EL NIÑO* Ethnobotany in the *Kula Ring* of Papua New Guinea” A lecture and ppt presentation to Institute of Anthropology and Department of Human Development Tzu-chi University, Hua lien, Taiwan.
 - d. March 10 “MUYUW LANDSCAPES: Their Content and Aesthetic Forms...in Comparative Perspective” A lecture and ppt presentation for Institute of Anthropology, National Tsing Hua University. This paper laid out for the attending anthropologists how I think the socially created environment of the South Pacific region is relative to the continental and Asian environment from which the Austronesian expansion started.
 - e. March 12 “WHOLE FROM PARTS In the absence of Exchange? Contemporary Exchange Theory and the Contemporary World”[DRAFT 1] Lecture & ppt presentation at Department of Anthropology, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- Lectures in France, École des Hautes Études en Science Sociales:
- a. May 11, 2004 “KNOTS IN A CULTURE OF TYING: the conditions of connection.” Iteanu Seminar, the remaining Dumont *equip* ERASME devoted to the anthropological heritage of Luis

- Dumont. This was the first draft of the fifth chapter of my book as a lecture & ppt presentation. In the course of creating this chapter I became convinced that strings, knots, and the play of both, are for MUYUW culture, and of necessity much of the cultures in the Indo-Pacific region, their formal mathematics.
- b. March 18: “WHOLES FROM PARTS In the absence of Exchange? Contemporary Exchange Theory and the Contemporary World” [DRAFT 2] Lecture & ppt presentation for the interdisciplinary seminar organized by Stéphane Breton, Vincent Descombs and others
- c. May 21 “MUYUW LANDSCAPES Their Content and Aesthetic Forms...in Comparative Perspective” CREDO(Centre for Research and Documentation on Oceania) and the Department of Anthropology at the University of Provence, Marseilles, France.
- d. May 25 GIFTS TO GODS □ GIFTS TO MEN Megaliths and Exchange in the Context of Kula Ring and Polynesian History and Society; Or REFLECTIONS ON THE END OF THE AUSTRONESIAN EXPANSION. The last of the 4 required EHESS appearances. It was presented to a set of students of Oceania and then circulated to interested scholars at the University of Lund in Sweden.
- 2004 “What Good Are Elections” lecture to UVa Alumni group in Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 2005 “ABOUT A PAST OR A FUTURE? Reflections on 15 Years of Environmental Research in Milne Bay Province.” Lecture presented to Melanesian and Pacific Studies Seminar, University of Papua New Guinea, Boroko, Papua New Guinea, June 29.
- 2006 a. “FROM ECOLOGICAL PATCHES TO CYBERNETIC RELATIONS Outrigger Sailing Craft in the Eastern Kula Ring, PAPUA NEW GUINEA” paper presented for *Session 8: TEK, Ethnobotany* Society of Ethnobiology Ethnobiology Conference, March 8-10, Penn State U.
- b. “ENTWINING VALUES: The Embarrassment of String Figures along the Eastern Half of the Kula Ring” for Session 2: Configurations, for the University of Manchester Conference (December 2-4) “Living Paradoxes: Moral Reasoning and Social Change in the Asia-Pacific.”
- c. “ALTERNATIVE CENTERING The Kula Ring as a Melanesian Example-- Beyond the Center-Periphery Hierarchies of the Asias” Conference Paper for "Imagined Centers and Diverse Peripheries" and Academia Sinica conference (December 11-13) sponsored by Institute of ethnology, Academia Sinica, Graduate Institute of Anthropology, National Tsinghua University and Institute of Austronesian Studies, National Taitung University.
- d. “Fifteen Years Among the Scientists: A Social Anthropologist Reflecting on his Encounter with the Natural Sciences and Mathematics.” Conference paper for Conference “Challenges to Interdisciplinary Collaborative Research,” December 14-16, Taipei, Taiwan Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica
- e. The Two Anthropologies: Holism and a Lot about a Little” 人类学的两种取径: 整體主義和沙中世界 . At the Maritime Museum in Quanzhou, Fujian Province, PRC. Powerpoint prepared in Chinese.
- 2007 The Beijing Lectures: a. “CHAOS AND CONTRADICTIONS: Reflections on Anthropological Borrowing;” b. “APPREHENDING THE MATERIAL AND SOCIAL WORLD: Rethinking ‘Religion’ and ‘Production’ Along the South Side of Monsoon Asia;” c. “THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CYBERNETIC STRUCTURES: Wind And Water Ideas In The Outrigger Sailing Craft Of The Eastern Kula Ring.” Delivered to members of the Departments of Anthropology and Sociology at Peking University and the Department of Ethnology at 中央民族大学 (Zhong Yang Minzu Da Xue) January 2, 4 and 8. Powerpoint prepared in Chinese.

c. Conference paper “CHAOS AND LARGER SYSTEMS: From an Island World, the Questions of Scale,” a paper and ppt contrasting cultures of the South Pacific with China as a foreign participant in the Symposium: The Relationships between Southeastern and Southwestern Anthropological Regions in China”, and the Sixth Field Workshop in Anthropology held in Quanzhou, Fujian Province, PRC, July 12-25, 2008.

d. “The De-valuing of Circulation and Contradictions in the Rise of Property on Woodlark Island, formerly Muyuw, Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea” for the ASA panel ‘Performance and vitality: circulation and the value of culture’, Auckland, New Zealand, 12/9/08.

2009

a. “GO ASK *THEM* WHAT THE NAMES ARE!’ Structuring Knowledge and Production in the Calendrical Systems of the Northern Arc of the Kula Ring,” paper presented at A Working Conference On Ecology and Time Systems in Australasia and the Americas: New approaches to value systems and calendrical transformations across the Pacific Rim, University of Virginia, February 1-4.

b. “MATERIALIZING VALUES: Outrigger Structures on the Eastern Half of the Kula Ring” or the Working Session: Dumont in the Pacific, Association of Social Anthropology in Oceania annual meetings, 2009 Santa Cruz, Ca. Draft I.

c. “THE KULA: As a Set of Sacrificial Relations/Scenes and Relations from the Northeast Corner of the Kula Ring, 1973-2007; a lecture in ANT 585-02P/[PSYCH 770R]: Culture and Cognition (Culture Club): Selfishness, Altruism, Reciprocity: The Origins of Sociality for the Center on Culture, Brain and Society, Emory University, April 14.

d. “HOUNDED BY CULTURE: Where is the ethnological tradition, the analysis of particulars in the guise of high theory, for the 21st century?” Conference paper for Re-Thinking Ethnology Working Conference, June 5 and 6, Department of Anthropology, University College London. (NOTES FOR) MATERIALIZING VALUES: Outrigger Structures on the Eastern Half of the Kula Ring For La Séminaire International « La culture matérielle » (musée du quai Branly, EHESS, Paris I, Paris X, J.-P. Demoule, P. Lemonnier, M. Bailly, Ph. Boissinot, L. Coupaye, L. Douny, P. Pion, P. Ruby), and Séminaire « Religions de l’Océanie » (EPHE, A. Iteanu) June 9, 2009. Draft II.

e. “(NOTES FOR) MATERIALIZING VALUES: Outrigger Structures on the Eastern Half of the Kula Ring. THE DATA” ANTHROPOLOGY SEMINAR For the Department of Anthropology, RSPAS, Australian National University. August 19, 2009. Draft III.

f. “CONFIGURED DISCONTINUITIES: Outrigger Structures on the Eastern Half of the Kula Ring,” a paper and ppt presentation for the American Anthropological Association Panel, “Technologies of Anticipation and Economies of Time: Groundwork for an Anthropology of the Future,” the AAA 2009 Annual Meetings, in Philadelphia, PA.

2010

“PROLEGOMENON TO THE ANALYSIS OF NECESSITIES: A Comparative Analysis of Logic in the Labor Processes across the Indo-Pacific” for the March 4-5 workshop in Singapore, “Empire, Civilisation and the Anthropology of China,”organised by Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore.

“GEOMETRIES OF MOTION: Trees and the Boats of the Eastern Kula Ring—A Conclusion?” For the Departments of Social Anthropology at the University of Oslo and University of Helsinki. November.

SACRIFICE AND DESTRUCTION: On some problems in the generation of sociality. Lecture for the Department of Social Anthropology at the University of Bergen. November.

2011

“Sequencing Discontinuity: Temporalizing Variation Across the Northern Arc of the Kula Ring” 2nd International Workshop on Ecology and Time Systems in Australasia And the Americas: New Approaches to Value Systems and Calendrical Transformations across the Pacific Rim (12-14 January, 2011, Seminar Room 102, Guoguan Building C, Beijing University, Beijing, POC), January 12

“The Question of Time, Sago and the Southern Arc of Human Culture in the Pacific: In Contrast to the Northern Arc of Irrigated Rice Agriculture,” for “Culture, Climate, Environment and Their Transformation: Southeast and Southwest China (from 6000 BCE to the Present),” a provisional gathering for prospective collaborative research in the UVA, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology and Beijing University consortium, (March 9-11, 2011, Hong Kong). March 9.

A TIME QUESTION: Sago & the Southern Arc of Human Culture in the Pacific... In Contrast to the Northern Arc of Irrigated Rice Agriculture. El Colegio de México, July 18, 2011.

“Seasonal environmental practices and climate fluctuations in Melanesia. An assessment of small island societies in Papua New Guinea and Vanuatu,” with Carlos MONDRAGÓN for the Indigenous Peoples, Marginalized Populations and Climate Change: Vulnerability, Adaptation and Traditional Knowledge (19 – 21 July 2011, Mexico City, Mexico), July 21 [A reworked version of the March 9 Hong Kong Presentation.]

“The problem of ULTIMATE VALUES, And the Future of Anthropology in Dumont’s Footsteps, paper and ppt presentation for the 2011, Centenaire de Louis Dumont. Diversité des sociétés et Universalisme idéologique. Paris, France, September 22-24, 2011.

“A LUCKY LINK,” for AAA session, “From Capital To Chaos: Honoring Fred Damon,” Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association November 17, 2011

2012

CALENDRIAL KNOWLEDGE: In the Organization of Times in the Eastern Kula Ring, INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM: Time and Complexity, Calendars of the World. Tuesday 9th---Thursday 11th, October 2012 National Museum of Anthropology, Mexico City.

“THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE DEAD: The place of destruction in the organization of social life, which means hierarchy,” for the panel Hierarchy, Value, and the Value of Hierarchy organized by Naomi Haynes, (U. C. San Diego) and Jason Hickel, London School of Economics, American Anthropological Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco 2012.

2013”

“About The Deep History of East Asia and the South Pacific: Towards a Research Plan”, Public lecture at Quanzhou Maritime Museum to about 35 people, March 10, 2013.

ON THE PLACE OF DESTRUCTION IN THE ORGANIZATION OF SOCIAL LIFE: Turning The Bad And The Dead Into The Good,” For the Conference "Sacrifice in different civilizations," Sponsored by Anren Musuem Town, Southwestern University, and PKU's Anthropological Society, April 22& 23 in An'ren Musuem Town in Chengdu, Sichuan.

“ABOUT KNOWING: Research, Museums and the Modern World,” ppt presentation for School of Ethnological Studies at Southwest University for Nationalities, Chengdu, Sichuan Province in post-conference discussion of museums, April 25-28, 2013.

THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE DEAD The place of destruction in the organization of social life, which means hierarchy. Presented to and undergraduate class the Institute of Ethnology, “Trends in Anthropological Thought,” National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, June 6, 2014.

PUBLICATIONS

letters and reviews

- 1982 Letter to Man(n.s.) 17(2):342-3
- 1984a Letter to Man(n.s.) 19 (4):668-670.
- 1984b Review of The Foundations of Structuralism: A Critique of Lévi-Strauss and the Structuralist Movement. By Simon Clark american ethnologist 10:261
- 1985 Review, Magicians of Manumana: Living Myth in Kaluana. By Michael Young. Pacific Affairs 58(1):177-78
- 1986 Review, A Critique of the Study of Kinship By David M.Schneider. American Anthropologist
- 1988 Review, The Fame of Gawa: A symbolic study of value transformation in a Massim(Papua New Guinea) society. By Nancy D. Munn. american ethnologist
- 1991 Review, The Trobriand Islanders. Film produced by David Wason for Disappearing World Series (Annette Weiner, consulting anthropologist). American Anthropologist Volume 93(4):1036-7.
- 1992 Review, Observing the Economy. By C. A. Gregory and J.C. Altman american ethnologist Volume 19(3):589-590
- 1993 Review, HISTORY, POWER, IDEOLOGY: Central Issues in Marxism and Anthropology, by Donald Donham. American Anthropologist
- 1999 Review, CONTESTING THE SUPER BOWL by Dona Schwartz 1998 New York & London: Routledge, for Visual Anthropology Volume 14(2): 14-15.
- 2000 “TO RESTORE THE EVENTS? -- *On the ethnography of Malinowski’s photography.*” A Review Article of MALINOWSKI’S KIRIWINA; Fieldwork Photography 1915-1918 by Michael W. Young. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Visual Anthropology Review Volume 16(1): 71-77.
- 2002 “Invisible or Visible Links?” A Review Article Of Christopher A Gregory, 1997 SAVAGE MONEY: The Anthropology of Commodity Exchange Amsterdam: Harwood Academic Publishers. L’Homme 162: 233-242.
- 2002 Review THE ETERNAL FRONTIER: An Ecological History of North America and Its Peoples by

Tim Flannery. New York: Atlantic Monthly Press. For Environmental History Vol 7(4): 695-6.

articles and chapters

- 1979 "Woodlark Island Megalithic Structures and Trenches: Towards an Interpretation." Archaeology & Phys. Anthropol. In Oceania 14:195-226.
- 1980a "The Kula and generalised exchange: considering some unconsidered aspects of The Elementary Structures of Kinship." Man (n.s.) 15 (2): 267-93.
- 1980b "The Problem of the Kula on Woodlark Island; expansion, accumulation, and overproduction." Ethnos 45:176-201.
- 1982 "Calendars and Calendrical Rites on the Northern Side of the Kula Ring." Oceania 52 (3): 221-239.
- 1983a "What Moves the Kula: Opening and Closing Gifts on Woodlark Island." In THE KULA: New Perspectives on Massim Exchange. Edited by J. W. Leach & E. R. Leach. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Pp. 309-342.
- 1983b "The Transformation of Muyuw into Woodlark Island: Two Minutes in December, 1974." The Journal of Pacific History 18 (1):35-56.
- 1983c "Muyuw Kinship and the Metamorphosis of Gender Labour." Man (n.s.) 18 (2):305-326.
- 1983d "Further Notes on Woodlark Island Megaliths and Trenches." Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association Bulletin No.4:100-113.
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