

Modern China Lecture Series
Dr. Paul Pickowicz (UCSD), Visiting Lecture:

The Tangled Dynamics of Independent Filmmaking in Contemporary China

Monday, February 10, 2014
2-4 p.m.

Located in PL-4005

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Since 1990, independent filmmaking has been on the rise in China. This illustrated lecture offers a broad survey of representative works. Independent filmmaking in China does not fall into a single, neat category. Instead, it is known for its thematic and artistic diversity. Some of the work reflects on history and memory, some of it engages in what might be called individual identity searches, and some of it amounts to investigative journalism. With the rise of the internet, the social impact of independent, non-state sector filmmaking grows day by day and those interested in the complexities of “restless” China would be wise to familiarize themselves with its tangled dynamics.

Paul G. Pickowicz is Distinguished Professor of History and Chinese Studies at the University of California, San Diego, and inaugural holder

of the UC San Diego Endowed Chair in Modern Chinese History. His books (authored, coauthored, and coedited) include “Marxist Literary Thought in China” (1981), “Unofficial China” (1989), “Chinese Village”, “Socialist State” (1992, winner of the Joseph R. Levenson Prize of the Association for Asian Studies), “New Chinese Cinemas” (1994), “Popular China” (2002), “Revolution, Resistance, and Reform in Village China” (2005), “From Underground to Independent” (2006), “The Chinese Cultural Revolution as History” (2006), “Dilemmas of Victory” (2007), “China on the Margins” (2010), “Radicalism, Revolution and Reform in Modern China” (2011), “China on Film” (2012), and “Restless China” (2013). He has won three distinguished teaching awards: UC San Diego Association (1998), Chancellor’s Associates (2009), and Academic Senate (2003). He is associate producer of the documentary film “The Mao Years, 1949-1976” (1994).



If you have questions or would like to know more about the upcoming event, please email Jeremy Murray Assistant Professor, History Department, California State University, San Bernardino at (909) 537-5540 or jmurray@csusb.edu