

the center for south asia studies
23rd annual
south asia conference
university of california, berkeley, ca

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pre-conference

thursday, february 14, 2008
geballe room, townsend center,
220 Stephens Hall, berkeley, ca

conference

friday/saturday, 15/16, 2008
international house
2229 piedmont ave., berkeley, ca

thursday - pre-conference

**Cities and Citizenship:
Interrogating Urbanism in Contemporary South Asia**

8:00 - 9:00: Registration

9:00 - 9:15: Introductory Symposium Remarks

9:15 - 10:45: Panel 1 - Citizenship and Urban Space in the Indian City

Coffee Break

11:00 - 1:00: Panel 2 - Re-scripting Identity through Urban Space

Lunch

2:00 - 2:45: **Keynote Address**

"Dispatches from Dark Places"

Amitava Kumar, Department of English, Vassar College

Coffee Break

3:00 - 4:30: Panel 3 - Neoliberal Space in a Post-Industrial City

4:30 - 4:45: **Concluding Remarks**

5:00 - 6:30: **Reception**

Women's Faculty Club



saturday

9:00 - 10:30 am:

The Genre in Perspective

10:45 - 12:15 pm:

(Re)shaping the Indian Middle Class: Gender, Work and the
"New" Nation



friday

9:00 - 10:30 am:

Panel 1: India & the West- From the Second World War to the 1970's

Panel 2: [Dis]continuity in musical practices of South Asia

10:45 - 12:15 pm: **Author Meets Critics Panel**

"The Language of the Gods in the World of Men: Sanskrit, Culture, and
Power in Premodern India."

Sheldon Pollock, Columbia University

Lunch

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Panel 1: Information and Communications Technologies for Development

Panel 2: The Politics of Emergent Socialities in South Asia

3:15 - 4:45 pm:

Performing the Universal as Local: Imperial Histories, Performance
Pedagogies, and the Global Passages of the Bengali Theater

5:00 - 6:15 pm:

Reception

6:30 pm: **Rajendranath Das Keynote Address**

"Different Universalisms, Vernacular Cosmopolitanisms: the Global
Imagination of the Colonized"

Sugata Bose, Director, South Asia Initiative and
Gardiner Professor of Oceanic History and Affairs, Harvard University

Pre-Conference & Friday keynote event are free, wheelchair-accessible and open to the public

For all other conference events, you may register at the door:

\$20 for students (with valid student ID), **\$50** for others, **\$10** Special 1 Day Pass for students (with valid student ID)