

Invisible women

Social relations and power in 18th century Canton

見えない女性たち: 18世紀広州における社会関係と権力構造

Canton was throughout the 18th century an important center for global trade. According to Chinese law, no foreign women could enter Canton, and the foreign traders were not allowed to meet Chinese women. Thus the quarters were described as exclusively male. However, studying 18th century Chinese and foreign sources it becomes apparent that the women of Canton were not only present, but active in intercultural contact. Women, and the ideas of women, were used by the Chinese officials to control the foreigners. Consequently, women and the relations to them became important for the foreigners in turn. By bringing out the invisible women of this history, we get a new picture of everyday life and power struggles in 18th century Canton.



◆ **Date** : **December 4 (Thu), 17:00-18:00**

◆ **Speaker** : **Lisa Hellman** (Visiting Scholar, IASA)

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◆ **Venue** : **Lobby, Ground floor, Tobunken**

** The presentation will be in English.*

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