



# Love, Loss and Landscape: the oldest Thai poems

There are five long Thai poems which are now reckoned to be the oldest which have survived until today. One is about war but the four others are about love, loss and separation from a lover, travel, and landscape. The exact dates, authors, and even the titles are unknown. They are full of passion and beauty, and they deserve to be better known. We have translated and published all five in English. In this talk, we will read some key passages and discuss what makes these works distinctive and what they tell us about Siam half a millennium ago.

## Time and Date

**November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**13:00-15:00** (12:30 Reception)

**Venue** Large meeting room [10F], JR HAKATA CITY

TARGET | General Public PARTICIPATION FEE | Free LANGUAGE | English (Simultaneous interpretation available)

## How to apply

For details and application, click here.

Application Deadline:

By 17:00 on

November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024



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**Application acceptance extended until  
Saturday, November 16**  
(same-day registration possible if space is available)

## Speakers

**Pasuk PHONGPAICHIT** (On the left of the photo)  
Economist (Professor of Chulalongkorn University)

1946 Born in Pathumthani, Thailand / 1978 Ph.D.(Economics), University of Cambridge / 1980-84 Expert(Development Economics), International Labour Office (ILO) / 1988-89 Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies / 2004 - Professor, Chulalongkorn University / 2001 - 13 Visiting Professor at: Johns Hopkins University; Griffith University, Center of Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University; University Of Washington; Institute of Social Science, University of Tokyo; National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo / 2019 - Fellow, Royal Society of Thailand

## Main awards received

### Pasuk PHONGPAICHIT

1992 4th Asia - Pacific Prize (Sponsored by Mainichi Newspapers and Asian Affairs Research Council), Tokyo (The New Wave of Japanese Investment in ASEAN)  
1999 W. F. Wertheim Memorial Lecturer, Amsterdam  
2001 Distinguished Alumni Award from Monash University  
2009 Distinguished Professor Award, Thailand Research Fund  
2011 65 Women of Influence in Contemporary Thailand, Bangkok Post  
2018 Distinguished Research Award, Thailand Research Fund  
2022 Australian Alumni Awards 2022

**Chris BAKER** (On the right of the photo)  
Historian (Independent Scholar)

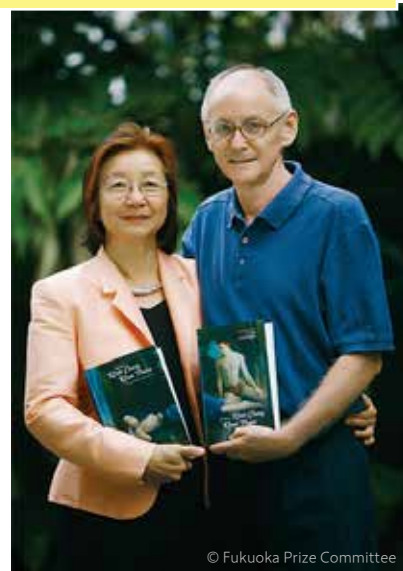
1948 Born in Lancashire, U.K. / 1973 Ph.D. (History), University of Cambridge / 1975-79 Director of Studies in History, Queens' College, University of Cambridge / 1980 - 97 Research Director, RDR Bangkok; Managing Director, Lintas Thailand and Singapore; Marketing Director, Riche Monde Thailand / 2003 - 24 Editor of UNDP, Thailand Human Development Report, 2003, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2024 / 2009 - 24 Honorary Editor, Journal of the Siam Society

### Chris BAKER

2023 Honorary Doctorate, Faculty of Arts, Chulalongkorn University

### Pasuk PHONGPAICHIT & Chris BAKER

1997 Best Book of the Year, National Research Council of Thailand (Thailand: Economy and Politics)  
2002 Outstanding Book of the Year, American Library Association (Thailand's Crisis)  
2013 A. L. Becker Southeast Asian Literature in Translation Prize, Association for Asian Studies (The Tale of Khun Chang Khun Phaen)  
2017 Grand Prize of the Fukuoka Prize



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