

The Institute of Comparative Culture (ICC) at Sophia University invites you to a special book launch:

Dec. 10, 2015, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Room 301, Bldg. 10, Sophia University

DOCUMENTARY FILM SHOWING:

“DOWN: INDIE ROCK IN THE PRC”

Written, produced and directed by Andrew David Field & Jud Willmont

Filmed on the sweaty stages of underground rock clubs and music festivals, this indie rock doc takes viewers on a journey deep into the rock scene of a rapidly changing China. Through performances by some of China's top indie rock bands and interviews with band members, rock club managers, concert organizers and record producers, Down: Indie Rock in the PRC highlights the music and the struggles that indie rock musicians are undergoing as they challenge the dominant values of mainstream Chinese society. (52 minutes)

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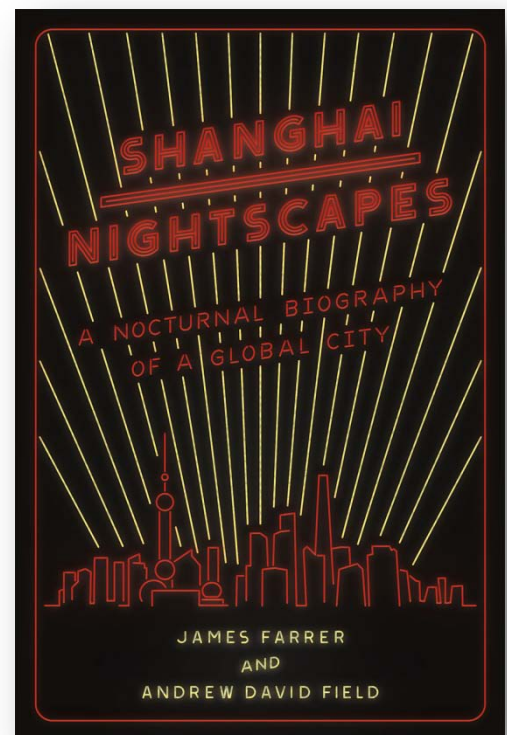
SHANGHAI NIGHTSCAPES: A CENTURY-LONG JOURNEY THROUGH SHANGHAI'S NIGHTLIFE SUBCULTURES

Speakers: James Farrer and Andrew David Field

Sociologist James Farrer and historian Andrew David Field will present their new book *Shanghai Nightscapes: A Nocturnal Biography of a Global City*. Featuring rare archival film clips and images, their multimedia presentation draws on over twenty years of fieldwork and hundreds of interviews. Describing a range of nightlife scenes from dance cabarets to cocktail bars, the book highlights the continuities in the city's nightlife across a turbulent century, as well as the importance of the multicultural agents of nightlife in shaping the cosmopolitan urban culture of China's greatest global city.

James Farrer, Professor of Sociology and Global Studies at Sophia University in Tokyo, specializes in urban studies in East Asia, including research on expatriate communities, nightlife and food cultures.

Andrew David Field, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs at Duke Kunshan University, is currently working on a book on China's indie rock music scene and has co-produced a film on that subject called Down: Indie Rock in the PRC.



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The Shanghai Nightscape book is available at Kinokuniya Sophia shop in B1, Building 2.