

第七屆宣公上人涅槃紀念講座

7th Annual Master Hsüan Hua Memorial Lecture



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The Venerable Master Hsüan Hua Memorial Lecture is an annual lectures given in honor of the eminent Buddhist monk and teacher, Master Hsüan Hua. The Venerable Master came to the United States in 1962 and soon after began to lecture in San Francisco's Chinatown. As an educator, Master Hua was tireless. From 1968 to the mid-1980s, he gave as many as a dozen lectures a week, and he traveled extensively on speaking tours. In addition, he established formal training programs for hundreds of monks and nuns, as well as elementary and secondary schools and Dharma Realm Buddhist University. His Institute for World Religions has promoted the mutual understanding of faith traditions and his Buddhist Text Translation Society has

translated many of the major Mahayana sutras. Striving to reach the greater community, this lecture series honors and continues Master Hua's pedagogical legacy.

On March 20, Professor Hal Roth, Professor of Religious Studies and East Asian Studies at Brown University, gave a lecture titled, "Against Cognitive Imperialism." According to Professor Roth, "The study of religion in the modern West has been dominated for too long by a reactive form of reductionism, both historic and social scientific, that is grounded in a narrow, culturally limited, epistemology of human cognition. This lecture explores some of the sources and manifestations of this 'cognitive imperialism' in the cognitive sciences and in

the study of religion and suggests that the newly developing field of Contemplative Studies contains some concrete ways of overcoming this deeply entrenched form of ethnocentrism." Alan Wallace, Ph.D., President, Santa Barbara Institute for Consciousness Studies, responded to Professor Roth's lecture at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, California. Sponsored by the Institute for World Religions, the lecture was free and open to the public.

Harold D. Roth is a specialist in Early Chinese Religious Thought, Taoism, the History of East Asian Religions, and the Psychology of Contemplative Experience. His publications include four books, *The Textual History of the Huai-nan Tzu* (Association for



Asian Studies, 1992), —— he has also published more than thirty articles on the early history and religious thought of the Taoist tradition, on the textual history and textual criticism of classical Chinese works and on contemplative pedagogy. As a pioneer in the field of Contemplative Studies, he has developed courses that incorporate first-person and third-person approaches to contemplative experience.

B. Alan Wallace earned his Ph.D. in religious studies at Stanford University. He then taught for four years at the University of California at Santa Barbara, and is the founder and president of the Santa Barbara Institute for Consciousness Studies (<http://sb institute.com>). His published works include *Embracing Mind: The Common Ground of Science and Spirituality* (Shambhala Publications, 2008). In addition, he has participated in numerous scientific studies of meditation.

Professors Roth and Wallace's lectures will be published this fall in the 2008 edition of the Institute for World Religion's journal, *Religion East & West*. In addition, following the precedent of earlier Memorial Lecturers, Roth and Wallace will expand their papers into a book to be published by Open Court. Stay tuned for more information on these publications, as well as the release this May of IWR's latest publication of the (expanded) 2005 Memorial Lecture given by Huston Smith and Henry Rosemont. *Is There a Universal Grammar of Religion?* is already ranked on the amazon.com's books on religion list, even before being printed! Any questions about IWR's publications can be addressed to the same address or to iwr@sbcglobal.net. Some of our publications are also available online at www.bttsonline.org and www.amazon.com.

宣公上人於1962年來美國，接著即在三藩市的中國城開始講法。上人不辭勞苦的從事教育工作，自1968年至80年代中期，他每星期講經說法多達十餘次，並多次到世界各地去弘法。此外，還為數以百計的出家男女眾設立正規的訓練課程，並建立中小學和法界佛教大學。上人所創辦的世界宗教研究院為促進宗教之間的相互交流，佛經翻譯委員會亦翻譯了多部主要的大乘經典。宣公上人涅槃紀念講座是一年一度紀念佛教界高僧和導師——宣化上人的系列講座會。此講座旨在將上人的教化延綿不斷的傳承並延伸到廣大社會。

今年3月20日於加州柏克萊太平洋神學院舉行第七屆宣公上人涅槃紀



念講座，由布朗大學東亞研究和宗教研究系教授哈爾·羅斯先發表一項名為「超越根深蒂固的認知」之演講。羅斯教授提到，長久以來當代西方社會的宗教研究，都被歷史和社會科學影響所反應的簡化論所支配；而此簡化論是建立於一種狹隘的、受文化局限的人類根深蒂固的認知上。此演講還探討了「根深蒂固的認知」在認知科學和宗教研究裏的其中一些緣由及體現。

接著由聖塔芭芭拉唯識研究學院院長艾倫·華萊士博士針對羅斯教授的演講也說到，有關靜觀的新研究領域；他亦建議一些具體的方法來克

制根深蒂固的民族優越感。此講座會由法界宗教研究院所贊助，並免費開放予各界人士參加。

哈羅·羅斯博士是一位中國早期宗教思想——道教、東亞宗教歷史和靜觀體驗心理學的專家，他的著作包括有〈淮南子的文獻源流〉等四本，他亦發表了逾三十篇文章，主題為道教早期歷史和宗教思想、中國文獻源流與評論以及靜觀學。

艾倫·華萊士是史丹福大學宗教研究博士，他在加州大學聖巴巴拉分校教書四年，並成為聖巴巴拉唯識研究學院之創辦人兼主席。他已出版的書包括有〈無所不包的心：科學與靈性的共同點〉（香巴拉出版社，2008年）。另外，他亦參與了無數項有關靜坐的科學研究。



羅斯教授和華萊士教授的演講將發表於世界宗教研究院〈東西方宗教〉的秋季期刊。另外，如先前的涅槃紀念講座之例子，二位教授將其講稿加以詳述並結集成書，由公開法庭出版。欲知更多詳情，請閱世界宗教研究院於五月份發行的2005年涅槃紀念講座，主講者為休斯頓·史密斯及亨利·羅斯蒙特。〈宗教之普遍語法是否存在？〉儘管此書仍未被印刷發行，但已被亞馬遜網上書局列入宗教書局目錄。如有任何有關法界宗教研究院出版物之疑問，請電郵至 iwr@sbcglobal.net。亦可於 www.bttsonline.org 及 www.amazon.com 網站請購此出版品。