

The Hand in Everyday Technologies

Program
Berlin, May 15th – 17th 2003

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Thursday, May 15th 2003

Arrival

7.00 p.m. Dinner
Meeting of the EANSET-group

Friday, May 16th 2003

09.00 a.m. Opening words: François SIGAUT, Mareile FLITSCH
09.15 – 09.45 a.m. The Hand in Everyday Technologies: An Introduction into the
Present State of the Art (F. SABBAN, M. FLITSCH)
10.00 – 10.45 a.m. The Question of the Identification of Grasping Movements of the
Hand (François SIGAUT, Paris)
11.00 – 11.30 a.m. Für Hand und Fuß – A Linguist's Look at Everyday Technologies
(Barbara NIEDERER, Paris)
11.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. *Guest lecture:* From Artifact to Gesture: Hand Movements as a
Basis of Culture (ROLAND POSNER, Berlin)
12.30 – 02.00 p.m. Lunch
02.00 – 02.45 p.m. Hand Eye Word – The Production of Farming Knowledge in Pre-
modern China (Francesca BRAY, Santa Barbara)
03.00 – 03.45 p.m. Chinese (especially Han) Technology of the Hand in Comparison
with Japanese and European Technology of the Hand
(Junzo KAWADA, Yokohama)
03.45 -04.15 p.m. Coffee break

- 04.15 – 05.00 p.m. Manual Skill Training through Playing. On Chinese Children's Acquisition of Cultural Techniques (Mareile FLITSCH, Berlin)
- 07.00 p.m. Dinner

Saturday, May 17th 2003

- 09.00 – 09.45 a.m. A Brief History of Dough Kneading in China (Françoise SABBAN, Paris)
- 10.00 – 10.45 a.m. Using the Hand as the Only Tool: Rice Drying Techniques in Ancient Japan (Charlotte VON VERSCHUER, Paris)
- 11.00 – 11.45 a.m. The Hand in Traditional Japanese Woodworking (Mechtild MERTZ, Paris)
- 12.00 – 12.45 p.m. Some Chinese Illustrations of Iron Work, with Examples from Various Periods from Han to Early 20th Century (Donald B. WAGNER, Copenhagen)
- 01.00 – 02.00 p.m. Lunch
- 02.00 – 02.45 p.m. On the Representation of the Hand in *Tiangong kainu* Illustrations (Dagmar SCHÄFER, Würzburg)
- 03.00 – 03.45 p.m. The Lady's Handbag and the Free Hand: Karl Weule (1864-1912) and his Researches on Everyday Technologies (Ingo NENTWIG, Leipzig)
- 03.45 – 04.15 p.m. Coffee break
- 04.15 p.m. Discussion: The Hand in Everyday Technologies: A Starting Point towards a Systematics of Everyday Technologies, a Tool for Comparative Research

Our conference will officially start on Friday 16th of May at 9.00 a.m and end on Saturday afternoon. It will be held in the southwest of Berlin at the WannseeForum:

WannseeFORUM, Wannseeheim für, Jugendarbeit e.V.

Hohenzollernstr. 14, 14109 Berlin

<http://www.wannseeforum.de/>

map under "Haus").

Due to construction work on the S-Bahn between Bahnhof Zoologischer Garten and Charlottenburg the S-Bahn traffic is diverted to busses (Schienenersatzverkehr), thus complicating and prolonging the journey to Wannsee. You might prefer to have someone from our group pick you up at the airport or train station. In that case, please inform us on your flight or train number and time of arrival.

Arrival by train: take the S-Bahn from **train station Berlin Zoologischer Garten** to Bahnhof Wannsee. (Some trains stop at **Bahnhof Wannsee**). Take bus No. 118 (direction "'Kohlhaasenbrück" or "Steinstücken") or bus No. 116 (direction "Glienicker Brücke") leaving right opposite to the exit of Berlin Wannsee, to the busstop "Rathaus Wannsee". From there, a pleasant 10 minutes walk down Hohenzollernstraße will take you to the WannseeForum situated at the end of the street.

Arrival by plane (**Berlin Tegel Airport**): Take Bus No. 109 (direction "Budapester Straße") to "**Stuttgarter Platz**", change to S-Bahn from **S-Bahnhof Charlottenburg** to **Bahnhof Wannsee**, follow directions as described above.

Arrival by car: take Autobahn exit "Wannsee" right after the **Autobahnraststätte Dreilinden** in direction Wannsee, Potsdamer Chaussee, follow Königstraße to the intersection Hohenzollernstraße.