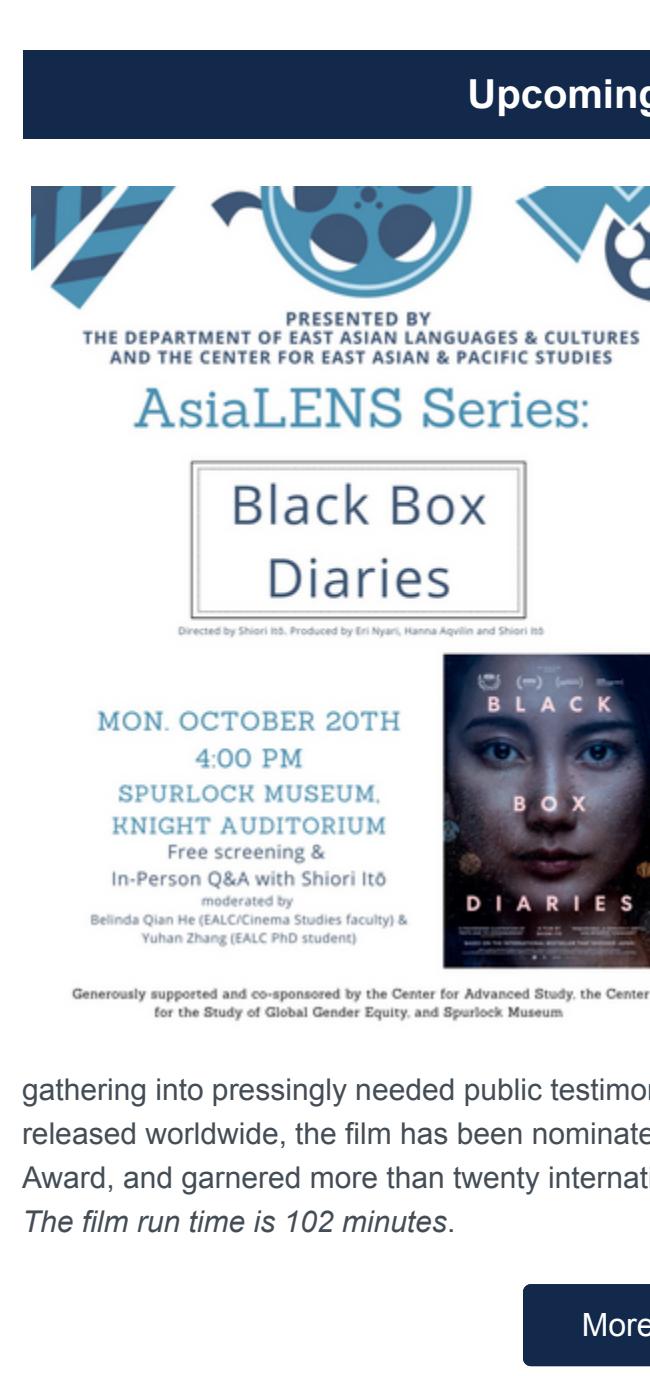


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### CEAPS E-News October 13th, 2025 - October 17th, 2025

#### CEAPS Event Recap

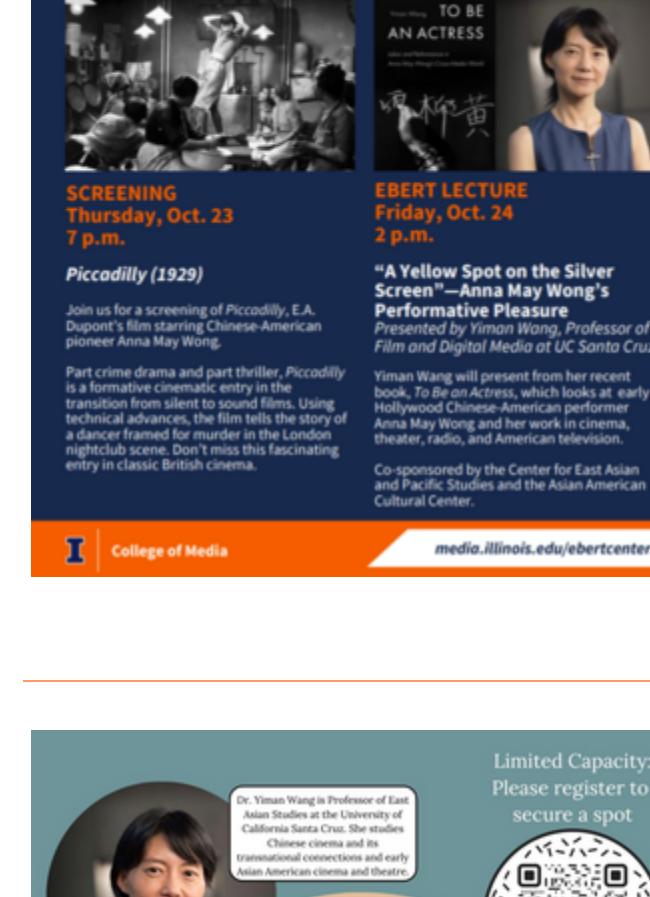


#### CEAPS at LAS Global Opportunities & Study Abroad Fair

Alex Chun (CEAPS Outreach/Program Coordinator) & YiWen Chiang (UAAT Mandarin Program Project Manager) represented CEAPS and UAAT at the LAS Global Opportunities & Study Abroad Fair on Thursday! Alex & YiWen advertised the Mandarin scholarship for students to study in Taiwan this summer. Applications are still open until **October 15th!** If you are interested in applying, scroll down to see more information or contact [YiWen at ywchiang@illinois.edu](mailto:ywchiang@illinois.edu).

Thank you LAS International for inviting us!

#### Upcoming Events in October

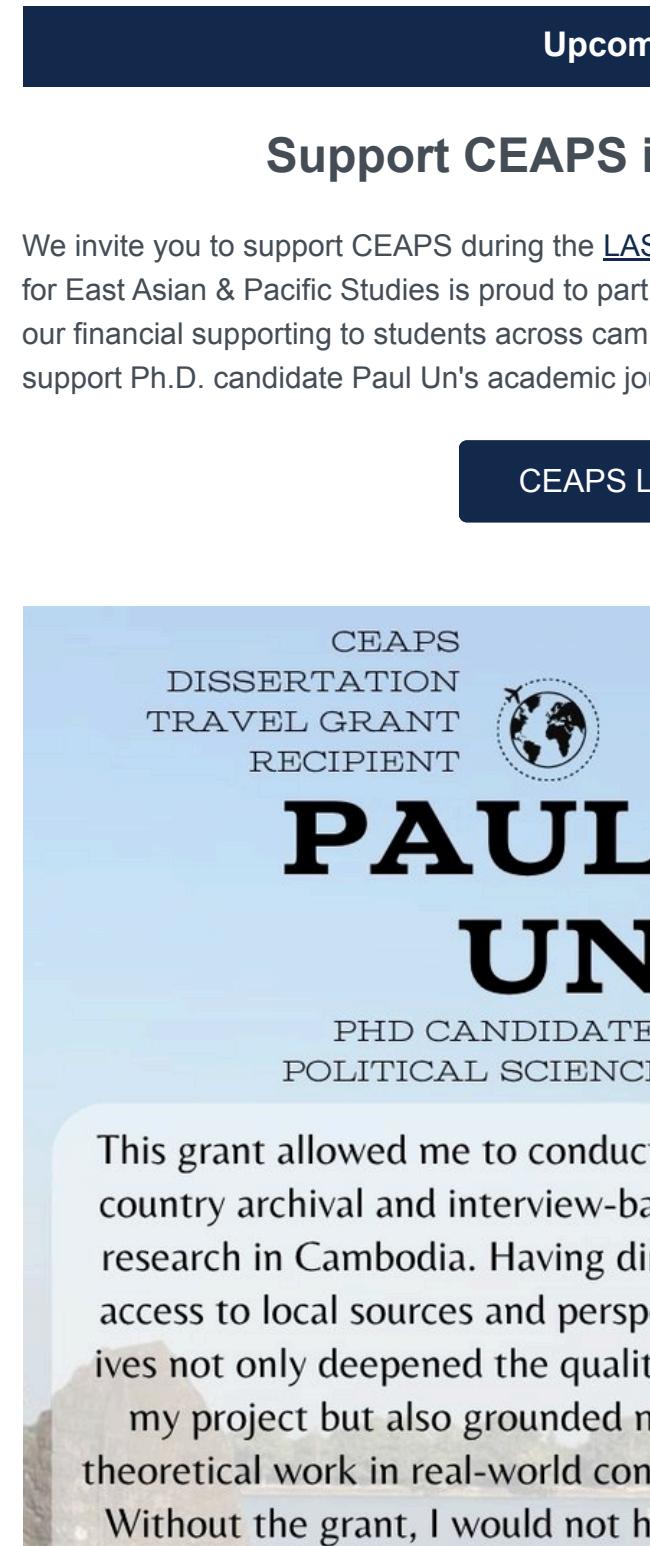


#### ASIALENS

Black Box Diaries Screening and Q&A with filmmaker Shiori Ito

📅 Monday Oct 20th  
🕒 4pm - 6:30pm  
📍 Spurlock Museum, Knight Auditorium  
**About the film:**  
Black Box Diaries traces Ito's courageous investigation of her own sexual assault, an improbable attempt to prosecute a high-profile offender that became a landmark case in Japan. Structured with the urgency of a thriller, the film weaves together audio recordings, vérité observation, first-person video clips, and an assembled case file—an "archive of her own"—to reveal the black boxes and blind spots in Japan's judicial and social systems. Her practice bridges investigative reporting with the craft of cinema—mobilizing archival research, counter-forensic methods, and sustained fieldwork to turn personal evidence-gathering into pressingly needed public testimony. Premiering at the 2024 Sundance Film Festival and now released worldwide, the film has been nominated for an Academy Award and a BAFTA, received a Peabody Award, and garnered more than twenty international prizes, with screenings in over fifty countries.  
*The film run time is 102 minutes.*

[More Information Here](#)



#### Roger Ebert Screening & Lecture [co-sponsored event]

Free Screening of *Piccadilly*

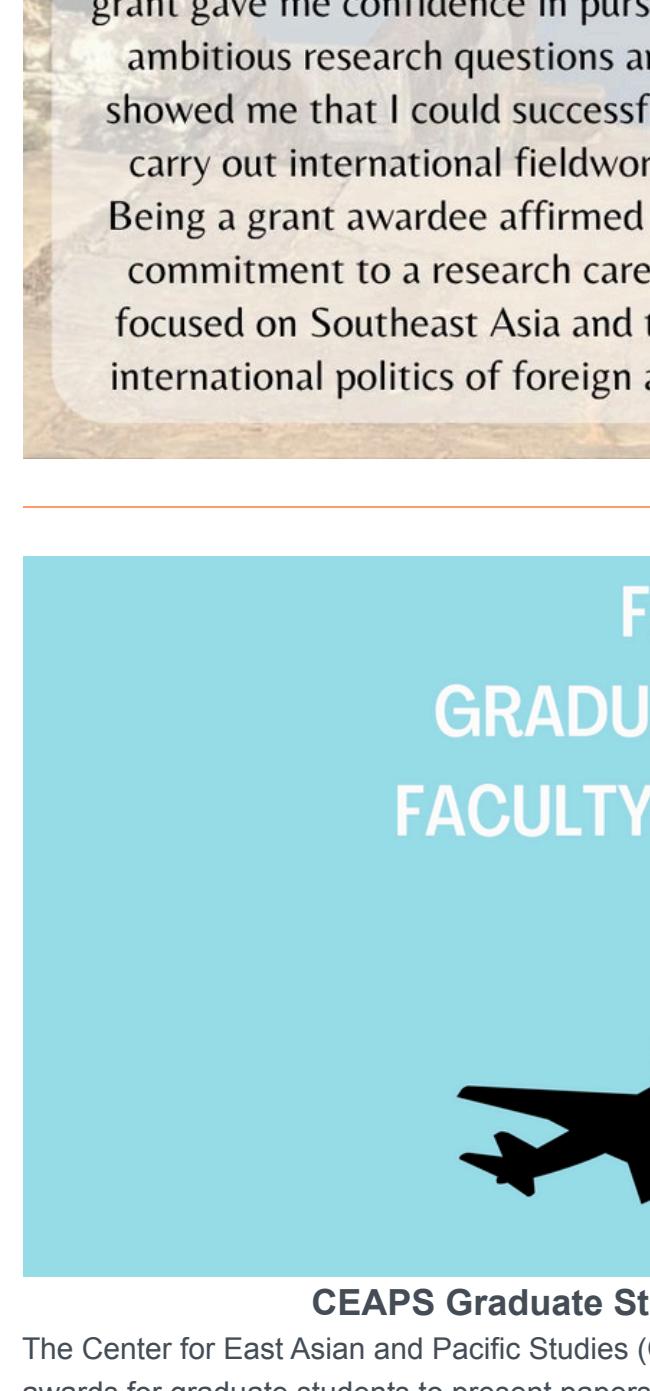
📅 Thursday, Oct 23rd  
🕒 7pm  
📍 Spurlock Museum, Knight Auditorium

[More Information Here](#)

Yiman Wang, Guest Lecturer | "A Yellow Spot on the Silver Screen"

📅 Friday, Oct 24th  
🕒 2pm  
📍 Spurlock Museum, Knight Auditorium

[More Information Here](#)



#### Breakfast & Discussion with Dr. Yiman Wang

📅 Friday, Oct 24th  
🕒 10am - 11:30am  
📍 108 Coble

CEAPS would like to invite interested **undergrad** and **graduate** students to a personal sit down discussion with Dr. Yiman Wang. Bagels & coffee will be provided, please register as spots are limited to ensure quality conversation with each attendee.

Dr. Yiman Wang is Professor of East Asian Studies at the University of California Santa Cruz. She studies Chinese cinema and its transnational connections and early Asian American cinema and theatre.

[Register Here](#)



#### VASP Brown Bag

Baiheng Qian | "Morality and Sentiment: Female Ci Poets and Cultural Transformation in Late Ming China"

📅 Friday, Oct 31st  
🕒 1:30pm - 3pm  
📍 306 Coble & ZOOM

**About the Speaker:**

Baiheng Qian is a visiting scholar and PhD candidate in Classical Chinese Literature at Sun Yat-sen University/Guangzhou, China. Her research interests include Ming-Qing literature and gender studies in late imperial China, with a particular focus on ci poetry of the Ming dynasty.

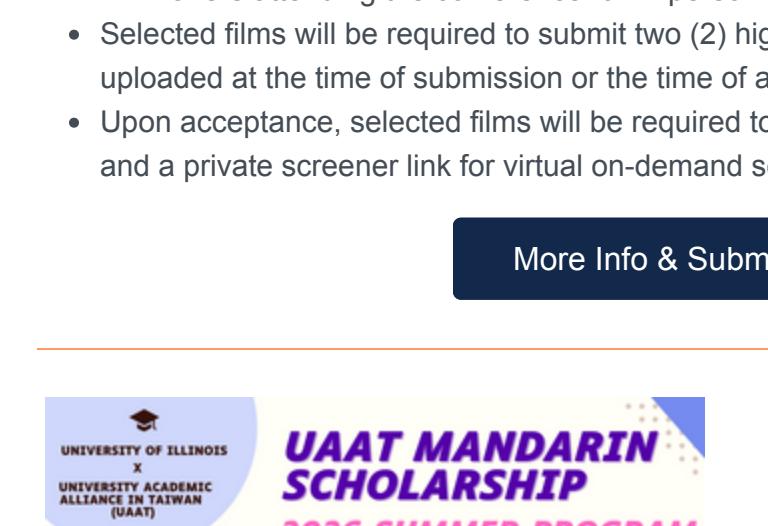
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#### Upcoming Opportunities

#### Support CEAPS in the LAS Day of Giving!

We invite you to support CEAPS during the **LAS Day of Giving** on **Wednesday, October 22nd!** The Center for East Asian & Pacific Studies is proud to participate in this year's Day of Giving with the goal of continuing our financial support to students across campus. Below, you can read how CEAPS funding has helped support Ph.D. candidate Paul Un's academic journey as a Dissertation Travel Grant Recipient.

[CEAPS LAS Day of Giving Link](#)



This grant allowed me to conduct in-country archival and interview-based research in Cambodia. Having direct access to local sources and perspectives not only deepened the quality of my project but also grounded my theoretical work in real-world context. Without the grant, I would not have been able to afford the travel and research expenses necessary for my fieldwork in Cambodia. The fellowship allowed me to build professional connections in Cambodia that have already begun to shape future directions for my work. On a personal level, the grant gave me confidence in pursuing ambitious research questions and showed me that I could successfully carry out international fieldwork. Being a grant awardee affirmed my commitment to a research career focused on Southeast Asia and the international politics of foreign aid.



Applications are due **THIS WEDNESDAY (10/17)**

[More Information & Application Here](#)

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#### UAAT Mandarin Education Program

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##### Scholarship Benefits:

Awarded students will receive a stipend of NT\$28,000/month (approximately USD930/month), subject to the exchange rate for a total of 3 months during the summer term.

The scholarship can cover the entire cost of tuition for NTUH CIIC, including the dormitory fee, the internet fee, and the meal fee.

The administration fee will be charged by Office of Global Affairs.

Applications are due **THIS WEDNESDAY (10/17)**

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#### Korean Conversation Table

The FA25 Korean Conversation Table will start its 5th meeting on Friday, Oct 19th.

Date and Time: 5-6 pm (except Friday 9/11/14)

Location: Everett Lab 223 (except Sept. 19 in Everett Lab 306) across Illinois Hall (jhye26@illinois.edu, KCT coordinator for any questions).

Everyone who would like to practice speaking Korean and learn about Korean culture is welcome! Please join us.

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