

W. Tuladhar-Douglas

## Publications

### Peer reviewed articles and chapters.

- 2023 Will Tuladhar-Douglas and Bhavana Tuladhar-Douglas, 'The Delegation from Kathmandu'. In Heisel et al (eds.), *The 2051 Munich Climate Conference: Future visions of climate change*. Transcript, Bielefeldt, Germany 140-157.
- 2022 'Vultures, grief, and interspecies rituals'. In S Awoyemi, R Borde, and A Omsby (eds) *Case Studies in the Conservation of Nature Through Faith*. Earthscan/Routledge, London.
- 2018 Will Tuladhar-Douglas and Bhavana Tuladhar-Douglas, 'Working Together to Carry Water: Research Ethics when One of Two Parents is Indigenous' *Ethnobiology Letters* 9 (1), 44-58. Final version available [here](#).
- J-M Mallarach, F Frascaroli, J Liljebad, E Bernbaum, W Tuladhar-Douglas, and B Verschuren. 'Implications Of The Diversity Of Concepts And Values Of Nature In The Management And Governance Of Protected And Conserved Areas' in Verschuren B and Brown S, eds. *Cultural and Spiritual Significance of Nature in Protected Areas: Governance, Management and Policy*. Earthscan/Routledge, London. Available [here](#).
- (2018a) 'Buddhism and the management of sacred sites for biodiversity' in Verschuren, B. and Brown, S. (eds.) *Cultural and Spiritual Significance of Nature in Protected Areas: Governance, Management and Policy*. Earthscan/Routledge, London.
- (2018b) 'Towards a Buddhist Anthropology', in *Journal of Nāṇasaṃvara Centre for Buddhist Studies* 1(1) special commemorative issue for the Supreme Patriarch of Thailand. (pre-press reviewed in <<https://rkpayne.wordpress.com/2015/11/20/secular-buddhism-a-diminishingly-human-buddha/>>). Available from the journal or [here](#).
- (2018c) 'Mountain as Pathways. Mountain trails: the arteries of biocultural diversity' in *Mountain Futures: Inspiration and Innovation from the World's Highlands*, eds. XU, Jianchu, Andrew Stevenson and Su Yufang. World Agroforestry Centre, Nairobi, Kenya. pp. 33-40.
- 2015 Martin Gaenszle, Will Tuladhar-Douglas, Mark Turin. 'Peoples of Nepal' in G. Mische, C.A. Pendry & R.P. Chaudhary. *Nepal. An introduction to the natural history, ecology and the human environment in the Himalayas. (Flora of Nepal, Volume 1. )* Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh.
- 2014 Saslis-Lagoudakis, Haris, Julie A Hawkins, Simon Greenhill, Colin Pendry, Mark Watson, Will Tuladhar-Douglas, Sushim Baral, and Vincent Savolainen. 'The evolution of traditional knowledge: Determinants of medicinal plant use in Nepal'. *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. B, Biological Sciences*. Final version [here](#).
- 2012 'The work of mending: How Pharping residents work around an exclusive definition of religion'. In Bowman, G. (ed.) *Sharing the Sacra: the Politics and Pragmatics of Inter-communal Relations around Holy Places*. Berghahn, Oxford. Draft available [here](#).
- 2010 'Bickering and Colluding: Landscape, Ethnicity and Religion in Pharping, Nepal' *Contemporary South Asia* 18(3) 319-332. Long draft available [here](#), final version available [here](#).
- 2009 'Writing and the Rise of Mahāyāna Buddhism'. in *Die Textualisierung der Religion*. Ed. Joachim Schaper. Mohr Siebeck, Tübingen. Draft available [here](#).

- 2008 'The Use of Bats as Medicine among the Newars', *Journal of Ethnobiology* 28(1) 68-91. Final version available [here](#).
- 2007 'Leaf Blowers and Antibiotics: A Buddhist stance for science and technology'. *Journal of Buddhist Ethics* 14. Final version (open access) [here](#).
- 2005 'On Why It Is Good to Have Many Names.' *Contemporary South Asia* 14 (1) 55-74. Final version available [here](#).
- 2003 'Washing your Neighbour's God: Royal rituals in 14th century Nepal' in Lecomte-Tilouine, M. and P. Dolfuss, eds, *Ethnic Revival and Religious Turmoil*. OUP India, New Delhi. Scanned version available [here](#).

### Monographs

- 2006 *Remaking Buddhism for Medieval Nepal*. RoutledgeCurzon, London. (reissued in paperback, 2014).
- Reviews: Iain Sinclair, 2007, *Religious Studies Review* 33(2) p. 174  
Karel Werner, 2009, *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* 19(1) pp. 141-4.

in preparation

with Bhawana Tuladhar-Douglas and Amrit Man Singh Bania, *Small shops, vast landscape: the Baniyas of Kathmandu*.

### Edited volumes and journal issues

underway

- Tuladhar-Douglas, W. (editor); Khenpo Sodargye, Peter Roberts (translators). *The Journey of Dechen Lingpa*. Vajra Books, Kathmandu. (in Tibetan, Mandarin and English).
- 2012 (editor, with Rick Stepp) special issue of *Religion, Nature and Culture* on Ethnobiology, Religion, Nature and Culture 6:4, December.

### Invited chapters, encyclopedia entries

- in press 'For a Future University'. Invited chapter for Ven Miaolung (ed.), *Buddhism and Education*, Kaohsiung.
- 2010 'Newar Buddhism', entry in Melton, J. Gordon and Martin Baumann, eds. *Religions of the World: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Beliefs and Practices*. Second edition. 4 vols.
- 2005 'Buddhist Puja', entry in Eliade et al, eds, *Encyclopedia of Religion*, 2/e. Macmillan, New York.
- 2004 'Historical Studies of Pharping, I: The celebration of Buddha Jayanti' in *Five Mountains and Three Rivers: Musashi Tachikawa Felicitation Volume* Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi. Available [here](#).
- 2002 'Newar Buddhism', entry in Melton, J. Gordon and Martin Baumann, eds. *Religions of the World: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Beliefs and Practices*. 4 vols. ABC-Clio, Santa Barbara.

## Other

- 2021 Tuladhar-Douglas, Will & Bhavana. 'The Delegation from Kathmandu' Performance and exhibition for Munich 2051 Climate Conference (<https://t2051mcc.com/>).
- 2019 Interview with Khenpo Sodargye, film. Available on Youtube and through Larung Gar.
- 2015 'Sacred Mountain Landscapes and Biocultural Diversity', conference report for *Mountain Views* 9(2) December, pp. 40-2.
- 2013 Tuladhar-Douglas, W., Hsiao, E., Crawhall, N., and Saintz, G.. Resolution #13: Mountain Trails Networks. Motion for WILD 10 conference, Salamanca, Spain. Approved.  
BBC Scotland 'Sunday Morning With', 8 Dec 2013
- 2012 'Student-led discovery of biocultural indicators', project brief for ICIMOD with Ritu Verma, 'Worldly Wise' (for International Day of the Worlds' Indigenous Peoples) *Republica* (Nepal) 9 August.
- 2011 'Medicinal plants in Afghanistan: estimated resources', policy brief for ICIMOD.
- 2007 'Stewarding the Ancient Tradition' *Matina* 4, May.
- 2005 'This Turbulent Monarchy', *Asia Media* 17 February.
- 2003 'The *Navagrantha*: a historical précis' Available from <http://www.lrcnepal.org/navagrapapers.htm>
- 2002 DPhil thesis, Oxford University: *The Fifteenth Century Reinvention of Nepalese Buddhism*. (See 2006).
- 1998 MPhil dissertation, Oxford University: *History and Cult of the Guṇakāraṇḍavyūha*

## Book Reviews

- 2019 Verschuuren, B and Furuta, N. *Asian Sacred Natural Sites* in *Journal of Religion, Nature and Culture*. in *Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture* 13(2) 233-5. Available [here](#); longer (unpublished) version [here](#).
- 2018 Wilson, Jeff. *Mindful America: the Mutual Transformation of Buddhist Meditation and American Culture*. In *Journal of Nāṇasaṃvara Centre for Buddhist Studies* 1(1).
- 2015 Sati, Vishamber Prasad *Towards Sustainable Livelihoods and Ecosystems in Mountain Regions* in *Mountain Research and Development* 35(4)
- 2014 Lozney, Ludomir. *Continuity and Change in Cultural Adaptation to Mountain Environments: From Prehistory to Contemporary Threats* in *Mountain Research and Development* 34(2)
- 2011 Guneratne, Arjun (ed) *Culture and Environment in the Himalaya* in *Mountain Research and Development* 31(1)
- 2010 Michaels, Axel *Śiva in Trouble* in *History of Religions* 50(2) 193-6.
- 2007 Zuruck, Pacheco, Shrestha and Vajracarya *Illustrated Atlas of the Himalaya*. *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* 17 (4) 479-80.

### **Endowed, invited and keynote lectures**

- 2022 'How Newar Buddhism Became an Indigenous Buddhism: Three moments of colonial erasure'. Keynote for 'History, Culture and Practices in Baha/Bahi of Nepalmandala', Akseshwor Monastery, Patan, Nepal.
- 2021 'Autism and Buddhism'. 8<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Humanistic Buddhism, Wollongong, Australia.
- 2020 'Medicine Mountains along the Himalayas: Healing, Trade and Ecology'. Oxford University Anthropology Research Group on Eastern Medicines and Religions.
- 2016 'The problem of sacred landscapes'. China Academy of Sciences/Kunming Botanic Garden.  
'The transmission of medical knowledge among indigenous communities in Nepal'. Kunming Minorities University.  
Masterclass on 'Developing an Interdisciplinary Career' for faculty in the Honours College of Arts and Social Science, Wuhan University.  
'Different Characters: Using Asian Literature to Critique the Western Canon'. Wuhan University.  
'Where Do Sacred Groves Come From?' Wuhan University.
- 2015 'The Shrew, the Rat, and the Hidden God'. Stirling University, Wageningen University
- 2014 'Theory, anthropology, and Buddhist books'. MIASU, Cambridge University.  
'Buddhist Medicine in Nepal'. United Kingdom Association for Buddhist Studies.
- 2013 'The Bania of Nepal'. Oxford Centre for Buddhist Studies
- 2012 'From the Anthropology of Buddhism to a Buddhist Anthropology'. Mahidol University, Bangkok
- 2010 'Immigrant Buddhism in Scotland under a Devolved Government.' Keynote speech, Tung Lin Kok Yuen conference on Buddhism in Diaspora, University of Toronto, Scarborough Campus.  
'Ritual Against Interpretation. Himalayan manuscript rituals and the problem of textual meaning'. Musée Cernuschy, for La Société Européenne Pour l'Étude des Civilisations de l'Himalaya et de l'Asie Centrale, January 2010.
- 2009 Numata seminar on Newar religion, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, December 2009  
'A Buddhist anthropology of Newar religion: Gaṇeśa, his mount, and their landscape'. Numata lecture, University of Toronto, November 2009.
- 2007 'Avalokiteśvara is everybody: disguise as skilful means in Sanskrit Mahayana.' Numata lecture at the Institute for Buddhist Studies, Berkeley, California, April 2007.

### **Conferences and conference papers.**

- 2023 Shaping Asia network, workshop on Shaping Asia through knowledge circuits, Bielefeld University. 'Interactions between layered networks of medical knowledge in Kathmandu.' IMISCOE Annual Conference, Warsaw.  
(a) Respondent for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Food and Migration panel.  
(b) 'Ji, Kagati, Lapsi: Obtaining the tastes of home in a new country'.
- 2021 RAI Anthropology and Conservation conference.  
(a) Panel organiser and chair for 'Bats!' panel.

- (b) (with Farid Uddin Ahamed) 'Turtle conservation and civic vision at a Sufi shrine in Chittagong, Bangladesh'.  
 With B. Tuladhar-Douglas: 'Delegation from Nepal: an exercise in Indigeno-futurism'. Exhibition, performance, and paper at Munich2051 Climate conference, Munich.
- 2019 Sixth Wuhan University International Forum for Interdisciplinary Sciences and Engineering  
 2018 'Development or Diversity?' Rethinking Development in South Asia, Chittagong  
 2017 'Exhortation: Taking Buddhist philosophy seriously in the pedagogy of Buddhist universities'. Fo Guang Shan University Presidents' Forum, Kaohsiung, November.  
 2016 'Biocultural diversity' International Mountain Tourism Association.  
 2015 'Avalokiteśvara among the Newars', Po Ming Tse Temple conference on Guan Yin, Singapore, April 2015  
 'Biocultural Diversity in Montane Landscapes', panel organiser for Mountain Futures conference, Perth, Scotland (leading to special issue of *Scottish Geographical Journal*)  
 Laboratory on Mutual Anthropology for Association of Social Anthropologists, Exeter
- 2014 'From the anthropology of Buddhism to a Buddhist anthropology'. Association of Social Anthropologists Decennial, Edinburgh, June 2014.  
 2013 World Wilderness Congress, Salamanca. Organised workshop on mountain trail networks.  
 2012 'Religious Studies and Religions: Subject/Object, sibling rivalry, or miscegenation?' for the Disciplining Religion conference at the National University of Singapore, September 2012.
- ICIMOD delegate and Commissioner, IUCN World Conservation Congress, Jeju. Contributions included coordinating a major side event on 'Greening the Economy after Rio+20' and the founding meeting of the world Network of Mountain Trails.  
 'Health in a Suffering Landscape', International Society for Ethnobiology, Montpellier, May 2012  
 Convener for panel on 'Taste'. Association of Social Anthropologists, 'Arts and Aesthetics in a Globalising World', New Delhi, April 2012.  
 'Translating Substances', paper in same panel.
- 2011 'Rethinking the Study of Traditional Medicine'. ICIMOD seminar, December.  
 2010 Organizer, symposium on Religion, Nature and Ethnobiology, University of Florida, 10-12 November, including presentation: 'If it's not special, why do we call it 'sacred'? Ordinary animisms and institutional power'.  
 Conference: 'How is this place Buddhist'. (organizer and chair), University of Toronto, 5-6 November.  
 Panel: 'Biocultural diversity: social scientific approaches to change.' (Panel organiser). International Mountain Conference, Perth, September 25-30.  
 'Biocultural diversity, nonhuman agents, and the construction of "religious" interactions', Society of Ethnobiology, Victoria BC, May 2010.  
 'Commensals, zoonoses, and biocultural diversity', International Society for Ethnobiology, Panel on Food Security, Tofino BC May 2010.
- 2009 'Anthropology of Religion and Biocultural Diversity'. Swarthmore College, December 2009.  
 'Freecycling Buddhist Communities', American Anthropological Association 2009, Philadelphia.  
 'From distinction to resistance: Newar iconography of Ganeśa', La Société Européenne Pour l'Étude des Civilisations de l'Himalaya et de l'Asie Centrale. May 2009.

- Organizer , Second Scottish Centre for Himalayan Research annual Research Conference, 'Health in a Suffering Landscape'. 30-1 May, Edinburgh.
- 2008 'Bats, Ethnobiology and Zoonotic Disease', Anthropology in Development Seminar, Durham University, October 2008
- Chair, Newar Buddhism panel, American Academy of Religion, Chicago October 2008.
- 'Landscape, ethnicity and religion', South Asian Anthropology Group, Durham University, September 2008.
- 'Literacy is bursting with implicit intentions' Subversion, conversion, development: Public Interests in ICT. CRASSH, Cambridge, April 2008.
- 2007 Workshop: 'Ethnobiology of Bats as Bushmeat: Eating Asia's bats to extinction' (convener), First Southeast Asian Bat Conference, Phuket Thailand May 2007
- 'How *Choerospondias axillaris* became a medicine'. Society of Ethnobiology Annual Conference, March 2007, Berkeley, California.
- Organizer , First Scottish Centre for Himalayan Research annual Research Conference: 'Envisioning the State in the Himalayan Region'. Edinburgh, 10-11 January 2007.
- 'Genealogy of Tibetan Exclusivism' American Anthropological Association, December 2007.
- 2006 'Exclusion, rejection or lack of fit? Why Tibetans do not, and are not seen to, participate in the procession of Vajrayogini.' Association for Social Anthropology 50th Jubilee conference, Keele.
- 2005 'The King's Three Bodies: A political theology of Avalokiteśvara'. Buddhist Heritage of Nepal Mandala conference, Kathmandu.
- Convener, Newar Buddhism panel, IABS 2005 London.
- 'Leaf Blowers and Antibiotics: Buddhist analyses of sustainable and unsustainable technologies' SOAS/Dongguk University conference on Eco-Buddhism
- 2004 'Who is outside? The limits of politeness and honour' Manchester University
- 'Literacy and the Origins of the Mahayana' Richard Gombrich Festschrift conference, Oxford.
- 2002 'The Last Amoghapāśa Across All Asia', Spalding Symposium, Oxford.
- 'From One Canonical Language to Many: developments in Eclectic Buddhism in Nepal' International Association of Buddhist Studies, Bangkok.
- 2001 'The Inner and Outer Ritual Life of a Nepalese Buddhist Codex'. Re/Ma(r)king the Text conference, St. Andrew's University.
- 2000 'The Reconstruction of Buddhism in Nepal in the 15th century' International Association of Buddhist Studies, Lausanne.
- 1998 'The Literary Sources of the *Guṇakāraṇḍavyūha*' Buddhist Heritage of Nepal Mandala conference, Kathmandu. (proceedings published in Newari).
- 1995 Interdoc Europe, London. Conference convener and organizer. Ran workshops on Internet videoconferencing, voting, and collaborative decision making.
- 1993 'Aspects of Manuscript Veneration in the Kathmandu Valley' American Academy of Religion, Western section, San Jose.

### Digital resources.

- 2012- Kosthi. Django and Python toolkit for creating multilingual ethnobiological databases. Available on Bitbucket [here](#).

- 2011- Tending To Garden. Resources for Himalayan ethnobiology and blog. <http://www.tending.to/garden> . Blog at <http://tending.to/blether>
- 2008-10 'Emptiness Hall', a Buddhist monastery and resource centre in Second Life. <<http://slurl.com/secondlife/Montara/238/104/51>>
- 2008- Newar Medical Manuscript. <<http://schr.org.uk/baniya-handbook/>> (presently being shifted to the Tending site).
- 2000-3 Humbul (AHRC humanities hub) editor for Buddhism section.
- 1998-2001 *European Bulletin of Himalayan Research* volumes donated to the Digital Himalaya project.