

Vietnamese American Women: A Bibliography in Progress

Amerasians

*Ivaska, Irene. (1995). *Vietnamese Amerasian single mothers: Evaluation of an intervention to enhance self-sufficiency*. M.S. W. thesis, Southern Connecticut State University. 53 pages.

Leong, Frederick T.L. (1992). *Vietnamese Amerasian mothers: Psychological distress and high-risk factors*. Washington, D.C: Office of Refugee Resettlement, Dept. of Health & Human Services. 54 pages. **HQ1206 L433 1992 SEA Archive**

The study identifies as high risk factors, low income, lack of relatives in the United States, and unexpectedly, more years of schooling and increased knowledge about their husband's background.

Art

Hanh Thi Pham. (1995). In Candace Lee (Curator). *A gathering place: Artmaking by Asian American women in traditional and contemporary directions*. (pp. 62-65). Pasadena, CA: Pacific Asian Museum. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Statement by artist Hanh Thi Pham, with illustrations of her work.

Thomas, Linda. (1993, Spring). Images of peace. *The Ear* (School of Humanities and Languages, Irvine Valley College, Irvine, CA), 10, 9-25. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Profiles artist Nguyen Thi Hop and her artist husband, Nguyen Dong, accompanied by illustrations of their art.

Economic conditions

Dickerson, Debra. (1997, April 14). Racial fingernail politics: Blacks and Asians find a strange harmony at the beauty shop. *U.S. News & World Report*, pp. 33-35. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Discusses the positive relationships between African Americans and the Vietnamese-owned nail-painting shops and Korean-owned beauty supply stores in Boston.

Hirayama, Kasumi K. (1980). *Effects of the employment of Vietnamese refugee wives on their family roles and mental health*. D.S.W. thesis, University of Pennsylvania. 190 pages. **HD6057.5 U5 H57 1980a SEA Archive**

1979 study based on interviews with 73 Vietnamese wives, 31 employed and 42 unemployed, of varied socio-economic background who had resided three to four years in the United States.

Huynh, Craig Trinh-Phat. (1996). Vietnamese-owned manicure businesses in Los Angeles. In Bill Ong Hing, Ronald Lee (Eds.), *The state of Asian Pacific America: Reframing the immigration debate: A public policy report* (pp. 195-203). Los Angeles: LEAP, Asian Pacific American Public Policy Institute and UCLA Asian American Studies Center. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Investigates the reasons for the dominance of the nail salon business by Vietnamese American refugee women.

Kibria, Nazli. (1989). Patterns of Vietnamese refugee women's wagework in the United States. *Ethnic Groups*, 7(4), 297-323. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Studies employment patterns in inner-city Philadelphia of recently arrived Vietnamese refugees, who are concentrated in low-level service jobs and the informal economy.

Phan, Cindy Thuy. (1994). *Comparing the success in cultural adaptation of Vietnamese refugee women and men*. Ph.D. dissertation, United States International University. 117 pages. **E184 V53 P44 1994a SEA Archive**

Results show that there are no significant differences in the level of cultural adaptation, and that level of income was the best predictor of both job and life satisfaction.

Education

Bankston, Carl L., III. (1995). Gender roles and scholastic performance among adolescent Vietnamese women: The paradox of ethnic patriarchy. *Sociological Focus* 28(2), 161-176. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Argues that young Vietnamese women surpass the performance of Vietnamese males, due to the greater social restraints placed traditionally on young women than on young men.

Barge, Vittoria Marie. (1987). *A study investigating whether or not frustration of basic human needs adjusted for the value of education affects participation of refugee women in adult literacy education*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Maryland, College Park. 122 pages. **LC198.5 B37 1987a SEA Archive**

Found that there was not a difference between participants and non-participants in adult education program in regards to frustration of human needs and beliefs as to the value of education as factors affecting participation in education programs.

Crouch, Mary Kay, with Son Kim Vo. (1995). The role of Vietnamese women in literacy processes: An interview. In Louise Wetherbee Phelps & Janet Emig (Eds.). *Feminine principles and women's experience in American composition and rhetoric* (pp. 91-108). Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Addresses Son Kim Vo's acquisition of English literacy, literacy and culture with special reference to Vietnamese literacy, and the impact that literacy has had on the role of Vietnamese women in the United States.

Kelly, Gail Paradise. (2000). To become an American woman: Education and sex role socialization of the Vietnamese immigrant women. In Vicki L. Ruiz & Ellen Carol DuBois (Eds.). *Unequal sisters: A multicultural reader in U.S. women's history* (pp. 554-644). New York: Routledge. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Discusses the education programs for newly arrived Vietnamese women in 1975 which took place in the four U.S. reception centers (Camp Pendleton in California, Fort Chaffee in Arkansas, Fort Indian Town Gap in Pennsylvania, and Elgin Air Force Base in Florida).

Lew, Sandra Ann. (1990). *Vietnamese women in college: Their experiences*. Ph.D. dissertation, Colorado State University. 108 pages. **LC2633.6 L48 1990a SEA Archive**

In-dept interviews were used to investigate eleven areas of the college life of Vietnamese women, including identity, generation/geographic area, socialization, language, college majors, discrimination, family, marriage, success, and advice to students.

Tran, An Kieu. (1993). *Value change among Vietnamese American female students at San Diego State University*. M.S.W. thesis, San Diego State University, 1993. 83 pages. **F870 V53 I673 1993 SEA Archive**

Finds that Vietnamese students, especially students who arrived in the United States at an early age, tend to reject traditional Asian values and adopt American values.

Tran, Lan-Anh. (1989). *Acculturation of Vietnamese American women students in higher education*. M.S. thesis, California State University, Long Beach. 113 pages. **LC3501 V53 T73 1989a SEA Archive**

Studies the cultural attitude change in Vietnamese American women students and finds that the longer the exposure to American culture the more traditional values change.

Elderly

Chu, Nancy Lin-Lin. (1998). *Quality of life among older Vietnamese women*. Ph.D. dissertation, Oklahoma State University. 168 pages. **F705 V53 C48 1998a SEA Archive**

Studies Vietnamese women 55 and older who arrived in the United States after 1979. Factors identified by the women as important to a good life were health, family contact, money and religion.

Nguyen, Kim Oanh-Thi. (1998). *Acculturation and gender role attitudes as related to caregiving for elderly family members among Vietnamese women*. Ph.D. dissertation, California School of Professional Psychology, Los Angeles. 132 pages. **HV1468 C2 N46 1998a SEA Archive**

Considers the influence of acculturation on the caregiver's likelihood of using institutionalization or other alternative supportive health care outside the home.

Yee, Barbara W. K. & Peter W. Van Arsdale. (1986). Adaptation and coping of Vietnamese elderly women: Review, research and speculation. *High Plains Applied Anthropologist* 6(2), 11-17. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Describes research studies in 1977 and 1980 concerning learned helplessness among elderly Vietnamese women, which found that the women measured in 1980 felt more helpless than the women in 1977.

Yee, Barbara W. K. (1987). Adaptation in old age: Japanese and Vietnamese elderly women. *Asian American Psychological Association Journal*, 12(1), 38-51. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Studies how elderly women cope with their experiences as defined by their perceptions of control over their lives and life satisfaction in a Western society.

Yee, Barbara W. (1992). Markers of successful aging among Vietnamese refugee women. *Women & Therapy*, 13(3), 221-238. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Discussion of the issues involved in the psychological and social adaptation of elderly Vietnamese women to life in the United States.

Family relations

Kibria, Nazli. (1987). *New images of immigrant women: A study of women's social groups among Vietnamese refugees*. Wellesley, MA: Wellesley College, Center for Research on Women. 27 pages. **Uncataloged**

Explores the role of Vietnamese refugee women in the family from an ethnographic study of women's social groups.

Mogg, Jean Monica. (1991). *The experience of bicultural conflict by Vietnamese adolescent girls in Greater Vancouver*. M.A. thesis, Simon Fraser University. 176 pages. **F1035 V53 M64 1991a SEA Archive**

Concerns Vietnamese girls of Chinese ancestry and their relationships with parents, gender roles, and relationships outside of the home.

Simon, Rita J. (1986). Refugee women and their daughters: A comparison of Soviet, Vietnamese, and native-born American families. In Carolyn L. Williams & Joseph Westermeyer (Eds.). *Refugee mental health in resettlement countries* (pp. 157-172). Washington, D.C.: Hemisphere. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Compares mothers' and daughters' responses to questions about the daughter's educational and occupational aspirations, plans for marriage and children, and the mother-daughter relationship.

Film/Video

Anton, Saul. (1993). A search for roots and identity: An interview with Tiana Thi Thanh Nga. *Cineaste*, 20(3), 46-47. **Journal Articles & Book chapters File**

Interview about the making of her film, *From Hollywood to Hanoi*.

Fairclough, Gordon. (1994, Sept. 8). Home movies: Vietnamese American film maker proves you can go home again. *Far Eastern Economic Review*, 157(36), 78. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Discusses Tiana Alexander's film, *From Hollywood to Hanoi*, and her desire for reconciliation between Vietnam and the United States.

From Hollywood to Hanoi. (1995). Friendship Bridge Productions presents; a film by Tiana; executive producer, Oliver Stone; produced, written, and directed by Tiana. San Francisco: Indochina Film Arts Foundation. 80 minutes.

E184 V53 F76 1995 MRC

Tiana (Du Thi Thanh Nga) was born in Saigon where her father was Minister of Information for South Vietnam. In 1966 he moved his family to the United States. This is an account of Tiana's trip back to Vietnam, against the wishes of her family.

**Heaven and earth.* (1995). Warner Bros presents in association with Regency Enterprises, Le Studio Canal and Alcor Films. Directed by Oliver Stone. Burbank: Warner Home Video.

Based on Le Ly Hayslips autobiographical books, *When heaven and earth changed places* and *Child of war, woman of peace*. Released as a motion picture in 1993.

Nha Ca, Gold, Alison Leslie & Le, Van. (1991). *Kieu Chinh: Hanoi, Saigon, Hollywood.* Orange, CA: Than Huu.

PN2898 K5 N4 1991 SEA Archive

Generously illustrated Vietnamese and English account of Kieu Chinh's life and career.

Sinkinson, Susan. (1999). *The self as "other": Accessing issues of difference in Trinh T. Minh-ha's "Reassemblage."* M.A. thesis, Concordia University, Montreal. **PN1998.3 T76 S58 1999a SEA Archive**

Exploration on Trinh T. Minh-ha writings and films and how they can be used in art education to open students to issues of representation and difference in art.

Trinh, T. Minh-ha. (1995). *A tale of love.* Moongift Films, by Trinh T. Minh-ha and Jean-Paul Bourdier; director, producer, writer, editor Trinh T. Minh-ha. New York: Dist. By Women Make Movies. 108 minutes.

PN1997 T354 1995 MRC

Loosely inspired by *The tale of Kieu*, it portrays the Vietnamese immigrant experience through Kieu, the quest of a woman in love with "Love."

Trinh T. Minh-ha interview. (1989). Chicago: Video Data Bank, School of the Art Institute of Chicago. 32 minutes.

PN1998.3 T6 A3 MRC

Trinh, T. Minh-ha. (1989). *Surname Viet, given name Nam.* Directed, written, edited and translated by Trinh T. Minh-ha. New York: Women Make Movies. 108 minutes. **HQ1750.5 S875 1989 MRC**

Explores the role of Vietnamese women historically and in contemporary society using dance, texts, folk poetry and the experiences of Vietnamese women in Vietnam and in the United States.

Gender and Sexuality

*Gonick, Marnina. (1997). Reading selves, re-fashioning identity: Teen magazines and their readers. *Curriculum Studies* 5(1), 69-86.

Discusses the problems involved with introducing a critical feminist project in the form of a teen magazine to a group of seventh-grade Vietnamese, Chinese, and Cambodian girls in Toronto.

Kibria, Nazli. (1990). Power, patriarchy, and gender conflict in the Vietnamese immigrant community. *Gender & Society*, 4(1), 9-24. **Journal articles & Book Chapters File**

Based on an ethnographic study of Vietnamese women's social groups and networks, it explores the effects of migration on gender roles and power

Lieu, Nhi T. (2000). Remembering "The Nation" through pageantry: Femininity and the politics of Vietnamese womanhood in the *Hoa Hau Ao Dai* contest. *Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies* 21(1/2). **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Studies ao dai beauty contests as a means of preserving Vietnamese culture in the framework of the western beauty pageant.

Masequesmay, Gina. (2001). *Becoming queer and Vietnamese American: Negotiating multiple identities in an ethnic support group of lesbians, bisexual women, and female-to-male transgenders*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of California, Los Angeles. 214 pages. **Cataloging in Process**

An ethnographic study of the organizational evolution and dynamics of a Vietnamese American women's lesbian/bisexual/transgender support group in Southern California.

Nguyen, Ly Thi. (1998). To date or not to date a Vietnamese: Perceptions and expectations of Vietnamese American college students. *Amerasia Journal* 24(1), 143-169. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Discusses gender roles and dating patterns in the context of Confucian ideology, socioeconomic and academic background.

Nguyen, Sy Dang & Sanguinetti, Richard Thomas. (1984). *Changes in the beliefs, attitudes and practices for Vietnamese refugee women adjusting to living in the United States*. M.S.W. thesis, California State University, Sacramento. 152 pages. **Uncataloged**

Investigates changes that refugee women make to adjust to living in the United States, such as the sharing with homemaking and child care chores with males and adherence to traditional dating and marriage practices.

*Pham, Phuong-Thao Le. (1998). *The experiences and understanding of Vietnamese women who have undergone ethno-altering cosmetic surgery: A project based upon an independent investigation*. M.S.W. thesis, Smith College School for Social Work. 61 pages.

Romance, gender, and religion in a Vietnamese-American community: Tales of God and beautiful women. (1995). Edited by Jesse W. Nash and Elizabeth Trinh Nguyen. Lewiston, N.Y.: E. Mellen. 192 pages. **F379 N59 V537 1995 SEA Archive**

Investigates the complex interactions of men and women in the Catholic New Orleans Vietnamese community.

Truong, Thi Dieu De. (1989). *Vietnamese women and sexual violence*. Rijswijk, The Netherlands : Refugee Health Care Centre. 12 pages. **HV6569 V5 D4 1989 SEA Archive (Uncataloged copy also available)**

Based on her working experience with refugees in the Netherlands and her childhood experiences in Vietnam, the author gives recommendations for working with victims of sexual violence.

Health

Carlow, Angela K. (1995). *Cervical cancer screening among Vietnamese women: Are traditional beliefs and practices a barrier?* M.Ed. thesis, University of Nebraska. 39 pages. **Uncataloged**

The data in the study does not support the hypothesis that traditional health beliefs and practices are a barrier to Pap smear utilization.

Fishman, Claudia. (1986). *Vietnamese families in Philadelphia: An analysis of household food decisions and the nutritional status of Vietnamese women and children living in Philadelphia, 1980-1984*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Pennsylvania. 327 pages. **TX361 A78 F57 1986a Sea Archive**

Describes the beliefs and attitudes of Vietnamese parents concerning food and health.

*Fjelstad, Karen E. (1982). *Aspirin and Buddha water: Medical choice among three Vietnamese women*. M.A. thesis, California State University, Hayward. 193 pages.

Flaskerud, Jacqueline H & Nyamathi, Adeline M. (1988). An AIDS education program for Vietnamese women. *New York State Journal of Medicine*, 88, 632-637. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Evaluates a didactic slide-tape program delivered by a Vietnamese nurse educator and accompanied by informational and resource brochures.

Foss, Gwendolyn F. (1998). *Relationships between posttraumatic stress, acculturation, and maternal sensitivity in Vietnamese and Hmong mothers*. D.N.Sc. dissertation, University of San Diego. 243 pages.

RC451.4 W6 F67 1998a SEA Archive

Finds that maternal sensitivity remains high even with the presence of PTSD, anxiety and depression, and that the number of pregnancies has a profound influence on depression and anxiety.

Ho, Tuong-Vi Vo. (1992). *Knowledge of breast cancer and breast self-examination among Vietnamese American women*. M.S. thesis, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Nursing. 102 pages. **Uncataloged**

Results showed that confidence level rather than demographic factors impacted utilization of breast self-examination practice and that there is a need for formal breast cancer education programs.

Jenkins, Christopher N. H., McPhee, Stephen J.; Bird, Joyce Adair; Pham, Giao Qui, et al. (1999). Effect of a media-led education campaign on breast and cervical cancer screening among Vietnamese American women. *Preventive Medicine: An International Journal Devoted to Practice & Theory*, 28(4), 395-406. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Evaluates the *Suc Khoe La Vang!* (Health is Gold!) Vietnamese community health promotion project in California, which was successful in increasing the recognition of women as to the availability and importance of cancer screening tests.

Kuss, Trang. (1995). *Family planning experiences of Vietnamese women*. M.N. thesis, University of Washington. 92 pages. **Uncataloged**

Uses in-depth interviews to examine the sociocultural factors that influence family planning practices of Vietnamese refugee women.

Kuss, Trang. (1997). Family planning experiences of Vietnamese women. *Journal of Community Health Nursing*, 14(3), 155-168. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Found that stresses over finances, learning English, education of future children were factors that influenced younger Vietnamese women to limit pregnancies

Lukas, Angela. (1985). *Bridging the gap: Birth practices, birth control, and sexuality among Cambodian and Vietnamese refugee women*. Cambridge, Mass.: Women and International Development, Joint Harvard MIT group. 13 pages.

Gives theoretical and anecdotal information, which was used to develop videotapes on family planning for Cambodian and Vietnamese refugees.

McPhee, S. J, Stewart, S., Brock, K.C, Bird, J.A., Jenkins, Christopher N., Pham, G.Q. (1997). Factors associated with breast and cervical cancer screening practices among Vietnamese American women. *Cancer Detection and Prevention*, 21(6), 510-521. **Journal Articles and Book Chapters File**

Telephone survey of Vietnamese women in four California counties. Factors negatively associated with test receipt include having a Vietnamese doctor, being unemployed, and being of Chinese Vietnamese ethnicity.

Miura, Akiko. (1998). *The food habits of Vietnamese college women at Oregon State University*. M.S. thesis, Oregon State University. 67 pages. **Uncataloged**

Describes food consumption, preference and cooking/eating out habits of Vietnamese college women, along with the factors that influence food-related decisions.

Phipps, Etienne, Cohen, Martin H., Sorn, Rorng, Braitman, Leonard E. (1999). A pilot study of cancer knowledge and screening behaviors of Vietnamese and Cambodian women. *Health Care for Women International*, 20, 195-207. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Descriptive information about the health care practices and belief of Vietnamese and Cambodian women in the Philadelphia area. Findings differ from previous studies in that length of time in the United States was not a factor in women's beliefs and knowledge about cancer.

Pirollo, Rita Anna. (1983). *Value systems and depression levels of Vietnamese refugee women*. M.S. thesis, Texas Women's University. 107 leaves. **E184 V53 P57 1983a SEA Archive**

Compares beliefs about proper modes of conduct and life goals of Vietnamese women with American women, and correlates depression scores for Vietnamese women with the values rankings.

Reed, Debra B., Meeks, Paula McCarron, Nguyen, Lan, Cross, Evelina W., & Garrison, M.E. Betsy. (1998). Assessment of nutrition education needs related to increasing dietary calcium intake in low-income Vietnamese mothers using focus group discussions. *Journal of Nutrition Education*, 30(3), 155-1163. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Identifies barriers to increasing dietary calcium intake, including unfamiliarity and misconceptions about dairy products, and to a lesser extent, lactose intolerance.

Sadler, Georgia Robins, Dong, Hoang Sy, Ko, Celine Marie, Luu, Thoa Thi, et al. (2001). Vietnamese American women: Breast cancer knowledge, attitudes, and screening adherence. *American Journal of Health Promotion*, 15(4), 211-214. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

In evaluating the social patterns of women in order to find health evaluation locations, Asian grocery stores were found to be good sites for a community-based health education program.

Shepherd, Judith. (1992). Post-traumatic stress disorder in Vietnamese women. In Ellen Cole, Oliva M. Espin, Esther D. Rothblum (Eds.). *Refugee women and their mental health: Shattered societies, shattered lives* (pp. 281-296). New York: Haworth. [Also published in *Women & Therapy*, 13(3), 1992, pp. 281-296.] **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Describes the war and escape trauma of five Vietnamese women and advocates using life history interviews instead of psychosocial questionnaires and checklists to consider the impact of PTSD on refugee women.

Tannenbaum, Jody. (1990). An English Conversation Group Model for Vietnamese adolescent females. *Social Work With Groups*, 13(2), 41-55. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

This conversation group, which was developed to address mental health needs for young Vietnamese female refugees who did not utilize conventional mental health services, allowed emotional issues to emerge and be addressed.

Tran, Van Thanh. (1998). *Prenatal choices & acculturation: A study of Vietnamese women*. M.S. thesis, California State University, Northridge. 84 pages. **Uncataloged**

Prenatal diagnosis choices of women ages 35-51 were studied with the recommendation that prenatal counseling should address abortion and other sensitive issues indirectly and hypothetically.

Vo, Van Nguyen. (1993). *An investigation of the relationship between selected sociodemographic characteristics, knowledge, attitudes, beliefs and the American Cancer Society's recommended health care practices among Vietnamese American women*. M.S. thesis, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Nursing. 84 leaves. **Uncataloged**

Questionnaire results from a sample of Vietnamese American women, ages 20-88, showed that there was not a statistically significant relationship between sociodemographic characteristics and recommended health care practices in regards to breast cancer.

Yi, Jenny Kisuk. (1992). *The effects of acculturation on breast and cervical cancer screening behaviors among Vietnamese women in western Massachusetts*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Massachusetts. 217 leaves.

Using a telephone survey, this study collects information on the prevalence of clinical breast examination, mammography and pap smear among Vietnamese women in western Massachusetts, and explores the role of acculturation factors in predicting cancer screening behaviors. **Uncataloged**

Yi, Jenny Kisuk. (1994). Factors associated with cervical cancer screening behavior among Vietnamese women. *Journal of Community Health*, 19(3), 189-200. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Gathers information on the prevalence of pap smear testing among low income Vietnamese American women and the factors that led women to undergo testing for cervical cancer detection.

Literature and Literary Criticism

Beevi, Mariam. (1997). The passing of literary traditions: The figure of the woman from Vietnamese nationalism to Vietnamese-American transnationalism. *Amerasia Journal* 23(2), 27-53. **Journal articles & Book Chapters File**

Uses the female figures in *The tale of Kieu* and *Heaven and earth* to examine the abuse of the female body as a symbol of national struggle.

Bow, Leslie. (1994). Le Ly Hayslip's bad (girl) karma: Sexuality, national allegory, and the politics of neutrality. *Prose Studies* 17(1), 141-160. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Analyzes Le Ly Hayslip's autobiographies in the context of war literature, political allegiance, and United States-Vietnam relations.

Cantrell, Nancy Tran. (1999). *Seeds of hope*. Plymouth VT: Five Corners Publications. **PS3553 A553 S44 1999 SEA Archive**

Novel about a Vietnamese woman who came to the United States as a war bride, her efforts to get an education and rebuild her life after the end of an abusive marriage. 282 pages.

Cao, Lan. (1997). *Monkey bridge*. New York: Viking. 260 pages. **PS3553 A5823 M6 1997 SEA Archive**

Novel that describes the struggles of a mother and daughter from Saigon, their escape from Vietnam, and their new life in Virginia.

Chotirawe, Carina. (1995). *The voiced and the voiceless: Representations of Southeast Asian women in twentieth-century fiction in English*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Hawaii. 290 pages. **PR808 W65 C56 1995a Southeast Asian Archive**

Contains discussions of Vietnamese women characters in *The quiet American*, and in works about the Vietnam/American War, including Oliver Stone's *Heaven and earth*, *Miss Saigon*, and the novels of Robert Olen Butler.

Cong Huyen Ton Nu, Nha Trang. (1973). *The traditional roles of women as reflected in oral and written Vietnamese literature*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of California, Berkeley. 273 pages. **HQ1750.5 C65 1973a SEA Archive**

Studies how traditional Vietnamese women lived under the guidelines of the Confucian rule of Tong and their opinions about their life.

*Ha, Nina. (1999). *Giving voice: Le Ly Hayslip's 'When Heaven and Earth hanged Places*. M.A. thesis, University of California, Los Angeles. 27 pages.

Nguyen, Mai. (1993). *Little Daisy*. Newbury Park, CA: M. Nguyen. **PS3564 G89 L5 1993 Southeast Asian Archive**

Novel about an Amerasian girl, born in Vietnam, who immigrates to the United States.

Tran, Qui-Phiet. (1993). Contemporary Vietnamese American feminine writing: exile and home. *Amerasia Journal*, 19(3), 71-83. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Examines the themes of loss of homeland and the clash between traditional and new culture in Vietnamese language works.

Vida, Nina. (1994). *Goodbye, Saigon: A novel*. New York: Crown. 281 pages. **PS3572 I29 G6 1994 SEA Archive**

The story of Vietnamese immigrant, Truong Anh, and her friend, Jana, an American legal secretary, and their bogus law practice in Little Saigon.

Voõ Phieán. (1990). *Intact*. Translated by James Banerian. Victoria, Australia: Vietnamese Language and Culture Publications. 198 pages. **PL4378.9 V58 I5 1990 SEA Archive**

The story of 21 year old Dung, who leaves Vietnam as a refugee, is separated from family and fiancé, eventually comes to the United States, finds her family again (although her fiancé remains in Vietnam) and begins a new life in Minnesota.

Personal Stories

Bong-Wright, Jackie. (2001). *Autumn Cloud*. Sterling, VA: Capital Books. 311 pages. **Cataloging in Process**

Memoir of the author's life in Vietnam as a member of South Vietnam's social and political elite, her coming to the United States as a refugee, and remarriage to an American diplomat.

Do, Phuong. (1999). A girl named Hoai. In Pyong Gap Min and Rose Kim (Eds.), *Struggle for ethnic identity: Narratives by Asian American professionals* (pp. 101-109). Walnut Creek, CA: Alta Mira. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**
Resettlement experiences of a Vietnamese American woman, presently a social worker, who first came to the United States at the age of eleven.

Elliott, Duong Van Mai. (1999). *The sacred willow: Four generations in the life of a Vietnamese family*. New York: Oxford University Press. 506 pages. **DS556.8 E44 1999 SEA Archive**
Traces the author's family from the 19th century to the present and life in the United States.

Espiritu, Yen Le. (199-?). Oral history of Nguyen Thi Cau. *Alternate Visions* (UC San Diego student publication), 44-45. Life story of the author's grandmother. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Hayslip, Le Ly. (1993). *Child of war, woman of peace*, by Le Ly Hayslip with James Hayslip. New York: Doubleday. 374 pages. **E184 V53 H38 1993 SEA Archive**
Sequel to *When Heaven and Earth changed places*. Continues the story of the author's life in the United States, relationships with American men, business enterprises, and trips back to Vietnam to see relatives and manage her East Meets West foundation.

Hayslip, Le Ly. (1989). *When heaven and earth changed places:: A Vietnamese woman's journey from war to peace*, Le Ly Hayslip with Jay Wurts. New York: Doubleday. 368 pages. **DS556.93 H39 A3 1990 SEA Archive**

The author's recounts her experiences of life in a small village near Ñaø Naüing during the Vietnam War, her contacts with the Viet Cong, life in Saigon and eventual marriage to an American and immigration to the United States.

Hoang Diem Hau. (1999). An unwilling refugee. In Pyong Gap Min and Rose Kim (Eds.), *Struggle for ethnic identity: Narratives by Asian American professionals* (pp. 199-208). Walnut Creek, CA: Alta Mira. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

Experiences of a Vietnamese American woman, presently a controller for a small college in California, who first came to the United States in 1970 and then returned as a refugee in 1975.

Kim Haø. *Qua côn baõo döõ: Hoài kyù vööit bieân baèng ñööøng boã*. Garden Grove, CA: The Author, 1992. 402 pages. **DS559.912 K56 1992 SEA Archive**

The author's story of her family's escape from Vietnam as land refugees to the camps in Thailand and, finally resettlement in Orange County, California.

Kim Haø *Stormy escape: A Vietnamese woman's account of her 1980 flight through Cambodia to Thailand*. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland. 246 pages. **DS559.912 K5613 1997 Southeast Asian Archive**
English translation of *Qua côn baõo döõ: Hoài kyù vööit bieân baèng ñööøng boã*.

Krall, Yung. (1995). *A thousand tears falling: The true story of a Vietnamese family torn apart by war, communism and the CIA*. Atlanta, GA: Longstreet Press. 412 pages. **DS559.5 K73 1995 SEA Archive**

Although the author's father was communist, she developed anti-communist views and eventually worked for the CIA.

Nguyeãn, Thò Thu-Laâm. (1989). *Fallen leaves: Memoirs of a Vietnamese woman from 1940 to 1975*, by Nguyeãn Thò Thu-Laâm, with Edith Kreisler and Sandra Christenson. New Haven, CT: Southeast Asia Studies, Yale University. 241 pages. **DS556.93 N63 A3 1989 SEA Archive**

Life story of an upper-class Vietnamese woman covering her youth in Vietnam, her unhappy marriages to a Vietnamese and an American, and life in the United States after 1972.

Nguyeãn, Thi Tuyet Mai. (1994). *The rubber tree: Memoir of a Vietnamese woman who was an anti-French guerrilla, a publisher, and a peace activist*, by Nguyen Thi Tuyet Mai; edited by Monique Senderowicz. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland. 244 pages. **DS556.93 N5262 A3 1994 SEA Archive**

The author covers her varied life, including fighting the French, her involvement with the Dieãm regime, and immigration to the United States in 1970. She is the older sister of Nguyeãn Thò Thu-Laãm.

Rush, Star. (1997). Sp(L)itting image: A memoir of a Vietnamese American girlhood. M.A. thesis, Western Washington University. 157 leaves. **Uncataloged**

. Essays on the author's memories of family in Vietnam and her life in the United States. The author is an Amerasian who migrated with her family to the United States in 1972

Travis-Robyns, Susan R. (1997). What is winning anyway? Redefining veteran: A Vietnamese American woman's experiences in war and peace. *Frontiers*, 18(1), 145-167. **Journal Articles & Book Chapters File**

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